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Author	Message
GodFollower Administrator Joined: 07 May 2002 Posts: 127	Posted: 23 Oct 2004 05:29 Post subject: A final rebuke to Messian Dread quote = A final rebuke to Messian Dread: This letter is for the individual that calls himself "Messian Dread" and all of those that have read his bitter posts and writings . We at LionofZion.com apologize to all of those that have been hurt, offended or belittled by his irrational and often vicious posts throughout the years. We are sorry that you have been wounded by this individual's sharp words. We have attempted to fix this problem many times. In this forum, we have always tried to foster a friendly environment where individuals can discuss without being disrespected or belittled. As the administrator of this board (a responsibility that I do not take lightly), I am again being bombarded with a host of phone and e-mail complaints about this person. Given this, we are forced to take action once again. Before we made any decisions we first wanted to do some research. After studying various posts and all of our computer files full of arguments and complaints over this individual, we have come to the following conclusion: over the last 6 years, this person has been a divider and not a uniter. My records shows that he has been rebuked both publicly and privately for his marijuana use, his compromising blend of Rastafarianism and Christianity (though up until recently he refused to

call himself a Christian).

His divisiveness has gotten him banned from this forum before. But in an attempt to give him grace, Mark Mohr encouraged the then webmaster to reinstate him. This was a big mistake.

A leopard cannot change its spots nor can a scorpion withhold its sting--and you my friend have stung far too many people for us to idly stand by. This is not your final warning, you received that many years ago. You have been e-mailed, called, posted, edited and banned and yet you still continue to start your fires in our backyard. This will stop today. We have always encouraged freedom of speech in these forums and wanted to create a safe environment where people can reason in peace. Yet there has been little peace in your unreasonable posts. We refuse to throw our pearls before you any longer.

This is not a conspiracy, you have made far too many enemies with your slanderous words and illegal misuse of individual's posts and copyrighted material. We know that you have serious contentions with the faith of Evangelical Christians, as we do yours. But we do not go on your website's forum condemning your marijuana smoking or your Rastafarian claims, nor do we wish for you to post on LionofZion.com your propaganda that contradicts the very foundations of our Judeo Christian belief system. All of the moderators and I refuse to listen to the wayward bantering of a self proclaimed Rastafarian Christian (a curious phrase say the least).

We do acknowledge that there are certain self proclaimed Rastas that deny the divinity of Rastafari and believe that Jesus is Lord. We praise God for these brothers and sisters in the Lord that have seen the truth. So yes, some rastas may be Christians and some Christians do consider themselves rastas. On this point we can agree and we apologize for lumping all Rastafarians into the category of "Selassie Worshipers". Yet this concession comes no where close to justifying Messian Dreads approach.

If this was simply one conflict we would forgive you, but again, this is a pattern that must be broken. This should not be a problem because you recently e-mailed me stating that you will "no longer post on this forum," further threatening to post your endless monologue on your website's

forum. This is great! I am so glad that you have your own forum to post in so that you won't go through withdrawals and try to come back here under another name. But you wouldn't do that, after all, as a believer in Kristos (as you call Him), you must be a man of your word. So let's work this out like reasonable adults; I (The administrator) won't go to your forum and you will no longer come to ours.

This should be an easy out for you--you can't seem to agree with what we stand for as reggae loving Christians, so simply LEAVE and please don't come back unless you are truly willing to repent of the things that you have been rebuked of over the years. I am sorry to make this rebuke public, but that is what we are called to do according to Matthew 18 and 1st Corinthian 5.

As I have digested this matter for some time, I am reminded of Jude 1:18-19 that says;

"In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires. These are the men who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit."

This is not to say that you do not have the Spirit, only God knows that. But if you do, reveal this by love, grace and a respect for our wishes as brothers and sisters in Christ--leave this forum. You have your own forum, feel free to malign our names and Evangelical doctrines in it all that you want. You have your own platform--use it. We expect nothing less. Lastly, we thank you for the controversy that you have given to our ministry as it has only been used by God to spread His truth even further. Even your misused out-of-context quotes contain profound truths about the kingdom of God that cannot be ignored by rational readers. Christafarians (if there is such a thing) know the truth when they hear it and can smell a skunk in the room no matter how much it hides.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 163

Posted: 23 Oct 2004 05:59 Post subject: quote

As **AARON-JUDAH** says it,

> **Quote:**
> simply please **CLOSE THIS 'GANJA RASTA' FORUM**

Cause when real rastas are not participating all it does is spread false information(anti -rasta propaganda) of TRUE practicing rastas & what they TRUTHFULLY BELIEF YESHUAH-WISE.

I dont know **messian-dreads** history on & off this site, but all I got to say from the few posts I have read, he is deeply frustrated over being confronted on the ground by footsoldiers coming to fight him in the name of YOUR:- **CHRISTAFARI FAQ**.

GADAMAWE(old one) BLESS!!

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 286
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 24 Oct 2004 09:36 Post subject: quote

Well, I'm sorry to see that it has come down to this, I for one will miss many of Messian's thought provoking reasonings.. but.. you gotta do what you gotta do

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 163

Posted: 24 Oct 2004 18:19 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> you gotta do what you gotta do

yes as a X-ristian! one gotta do what you gotta do to fight rastafarian YESHUAH meditation truths down.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 298
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 24 Oct 2004 20:40 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> All of the moderators and I refuse to listen to the wayward bantering

well i for one did not give say in that statement nor did i give a yes or no about wether he should be kicked off this site. but at the same time have also unsubscribed as a moderator because i am not on here enough to really take part in the "duty" of a moderator. i hope no offense is taken by this, it was just something i felt i needed to do. and i personally though i have not always agreed with MD on certain issues have been strengthened through certain reasonings with him even though i disagreed, doing study thinking and reasoning regadless of wether not i i agreed has strengthened I. i cannot say much about this whole thing as i dont not know a complete history all the "offenses". i though i do know the areas were he and LOZ disagree. at same time i have also witnessed MD go to lengths in effectivly reasoning and defending faith in the Messiah to certain ones that have been on this site.

> **Quote:**
> of a self proclaimed Rastafarian Christian (a curious phrase say the least).

I persoanlly disagree with the title Rastafarian Christian. a RasTa is a RasTa and a Christian is a Christian. not to say that both cant believe in the same Messiah. but the livity,personality, practice, and concepts in many areas are completly different.

> **Quote:**
> Christafarians (if there is such a thing)

i believe there is

> **Quote:**
> Kristos (as you call Him)

as He is called by the governing language of His day. i am sensing some kind of vibes i dont like here though i could be wrong it seems like there is some feelings about MDs dislike to using the commonly christian use of Geezus

Quote:

> Rastas that deny the divinity of Rastafari and believe that Jesus is Lord.

since there is a process of clarity going on right now let us be clear here as well... *RasTas that deny the diety of* ***Selassie...*** becasue those of InI RasTman who site the Messiah not Selassie do hold a title of the words Ras Tafari because by definition that is only Jah. and as a man Selassie was only temporoarily called that (the difinition making no statement that he is a the english definition of th word says "Head Creatorm One to be feared" as i a have said before i met a man in ethiopia whose name meant tree but i know he was not a tree)as head of gov't before his kingship

Quote:

> On this point we can agree and we apologize for lumping all Rastafarians into the category of "Selassie Worshipers"

I give thanks for that

Quote:

> Yet this concession comes no where close to justifying Messian Dreads approach.

so it is to say then that MD is removed for his approach then not the mere fact of disagreement? cause there are lots on here that do not agree with LOZ on certain issues

like i said i do not know al lthe facts and complete history behind all this so i am no liberty to say who is right or wrong here. but it is sad to see something like this whole thing happen at all

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GodFollower
Administrator

Joined: 07 May 2002
Posts: 127

Posted: 24 Oct 2004 21:38 Post subject: quote

Ras B,

Messian Dread has not been removed or otherwise banned from this forum, he removed himself by stating that he wouldn't be posting on this forum anymore.

Devon

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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
Posts: 222
Location: Greece

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 07:13 Post subject: quote

I am very sad about the outcome of this" dispute(?)"
I am going to miss Messian Dread very much.His posts has to me always been very informative,very personal,passionated as in his opinions and with a great humour,wich apparently many has missed,since they have been so caught up feeling offended or belittled.

Moderator may say he has not been banned, that Jetze himself said he was not going to post again.
I though,read by Godfollower something like "please don't come back","We refuse to throw our pearls before you(Jetze)any longer, Christafarians know the truth and can smell a skunk in the room no matter how much it hides.
This things were really insulting i think.
She also said that many of his posts were vicious(????????)and irrational.
Well now,i think the one without sin in his words should be throwing the first stone.....

To refer to Messian dreads use of marijuana was really cheap and insulting.I thought people here were mature christians,not exposing a brothers weakness in public,like a kick in the ass.
Generally i felt that the dealing with this whole issue has been very secteristic.

This forum has been a great meetingplace for people believing in our Lord Jesus Christ,Kristos,Xristos or whatever language anyone uses.

It has been great to be able to gather around Marks wonderful music and meet wonderful people in the name of our Lord.

As for irrational or false teachings i do believe that God is good and that people have a mind of their own.
I have an orthodox faith and i surely do not agree with many on this site about several things.But love is bigger than that.Love kept me coming back.
Where did love go?????

If this is going to be a forum for people of the same denomination only,otherwise one is seen as an enemy,then i think it should be stated more clearly.

I do think that one of the most fascinating thing about this site has been originality,democracy and freedom to express oneself.
Again i can not see any insults from Jetze.

My frustration is very big and i think i would appreciate a comment from Mark.
Also from my brothers Jah Pickney,Zionslave,Juhok and JonaGus,since i really respect their opinions and way of seeing things.

May the grace of our God keep this forum a forum of acceptance and love beyond dominations and cultures.Amen!!

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Together in His footsteps!!

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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
Posts: 222
Location: Greece

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 07:24 Post subject: quote

To be belittled,offended or whatever by Messian Dreads posts is showing to me that man is unsure of himself.
Anyone who knows his faith,knows his God and loves his brother does not become offended easily.

Maybe the problem is not in Mesian dreads post,but that people have to go in line and never question things?Jetze wanted people to wake up and think more.Be able to explain and defend their believes properly to other people.No wrong in that.

I am really sorry if i have made anyone felt offended,but i feel so much frustration.Jetze has been treated very bad.God bless him.

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Author	Message
Outlaw Man Joined: 03 Oct 2004 Posts: 40	Posted: 25 Oct 2004 07:49 Post subject: quote Yeah...That's what I have been seeing alot here lately. The attitude of the moderators is:"If you do not believe exactly the way we believe...Then you need to shut up and not post here anymore...If you do continue to post your beliefs here we will continue to make threats of kicking you off the forum...People are more likely to believe what we believe rather than listening to your views(very self centered attitude)...Because we are really special and La Dee Dah!!" It makes me so sick I could vomit...Them thinking they have a monopoly on how people can speak or act or react....It is as if one must act a certain way...Speak a certain way...And react a certain way...In order to be welcome here....."you all gotta do what we say...people can not be themselves here...they must be what we tell them to be...Biblical rules do not apply here...Just our rules do" IT MAKES ME SICK!!
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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 290
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 08:20 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

Quote:

you gotta do what you gotta do

yes as a X-ristian! one gotta do what you gotta do to fight rastafarian YESHUAH meditation truths down.

Please don't take my words out of context.

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JuHok
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Aug 2003
Posts: 177
Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 18:31 Post subject: quote

The stones are flying on all directions, maybe it would be easier if everyone would leave the stones home and build a nice castle of them and then think about everything again.

I must say that it's quite sad that MD is gone. I also liked his writings, not always having the same opinions but the one thing I liked about him (this sounds like some would have died) is that he made atleast me think about things and my views and opinions and that's always good. I also feel his passion for Christ and the love of Christ was a big thing in his speach. Now this is the other side of the coin, but to be fair you must also look on the other side (on the other side everyone of us is a saint but Jesus came to clean the whole coin). MD also had some not-so-nice-writings and he did have his bad moments with some out of context taken quotes and stuff like that and I don't know the stuff in the history (but then by gones are by gones (or what ever you americans say)right (?)). In the end of the day we are all just humanbeings with failures in our lives. I ofcourse see how the "How to witness a christafarian?"-booklet was quite a direct act against Mark Mohr and Christafari and that's ofcourse a not-that-good-thing for LOZ but in my eyes some parts the critizism shown in that booklet (and over here in

the forum) has got some ideas that should be thinked about over the LOZ.

To put it all together, I'm sad that MD is gone but I understand why this all have happened. "There's not enough room in this town for the two of us!". Sad but true. Division between brothers is always a victory for the devil.

blessings †

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In only one name.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 448
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 18:45 Post subject: quote

JuHok wrote:

> I also liked [Messian Dread's] writings

Me too. I will miss having him around if he's really not coming back.

Quote:

> MD also had some not-so-nice-writings and he did have his bad moments

But who among us does not?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 290
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 19:05 Post subject: quote

well said, juhok

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 15
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 19:48 Post subject: ... quote

greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Savior Yahshua Immanuel!

Messian Dread has been holding down the vibes on this board and on the web for so many years now, as long as i have been in Rastafari. When I first came into the work, I was a lifelong baptist and couldn't agree with worshipping the Emperor. But many of the ideas of Rastafari were beginning to answer the unanswered questions.

such as if the bible promises that David's descendents will reign for ever, where are these descendents reigning?

and how could Yahshua be a white man? or how could white jews be semitic Israelites?

I had stumbled across Christafari's website, and after reading their FAQ I knew that it was trouble. I didn't doubt Ethiopia so much as Mark Mohr seems to. I was never comfortable in the Western System, though they claim to be Christian (the West), clearly is not, for you judge a tree by its fruit.

Messian Dread was one of the first Rastas I had reasoned with and read words by that were not proclaiming Selassie God. He was one of the first brethren who made me feel confident that I could in fact be a Rastafarian without worshipping the Emperor. (at a time where certain rastas were telling me to take off my banner and forget about Africa because i couldn't be a rasta at all) For this i am gratefull, and for this

He should stay around. His vibes, while coming across as combative to those wolves in sheeps clothing who hide amongst christians and judge where they should not, is a blessing!

In this board that is obviously developed to convert Rastafarians into evangelical christians and to keep evangelical christians who love reggae from becoming rastas, it is essential that all branches of both the Evangelical American Christian and the Africa minded Rastafari Christian. All Rastas are Christians, whether they worship the Emperor or not, because they at least believe they are worshipping Christ. As it has been said before, many Rastafarians are not worshipping the wrong God, they are just worshipping God wrong. And i know from my life experiences, that Western Christians are just as guilty of worshipping God wrong as anybody else.

Messian Dread should come back and spread the vibration of truth!

Yours in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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"dont be to ambitous, just serve your purpose"
bunny wailer

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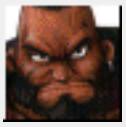
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 448
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 21:11 Post subject: Re: ... quote

LongLiveZereYacob wrote:

> All Rastas are Christians, whether they worship the Emperor or not, because they at least believe they are worshipping Christ.

In fairness to various views expressed here, some Rastas (like 12TribesLion) seem to refuse the name "Christian" (though I suspect he is anyway), and some seem to reject worshipping Y'shua (I have no idea why). Apart from such exceptions, I generally agree with you.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 117
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 21:19 Post subject: quote

what did ones think was going to happen to MD, wid deh ulterior agenda of LOZ? Ini give thanks fi dis forum but ones catch feelings here too easily. like deh one sistren stated if a man is steadfast in him foundation what can move him? Ini will say it and Christians and Rases will fiyah bun Ini alike but Christians do not have an exclusive claim to salvation, period. simply for deh fact dat every story of meaning within deh I-ble has a predacessor that predates it, every story! now if one chooses to study, follow and acknowledge deh I-ble as deh supreme source, fine, as long as one exudes it in ones livity.
fi di sistren who commented about deh herb usage, who are you to fight against a creation dat was here before you and dat you cannot create nor destroy? use unu energy for more pressing issues dan one of Jah's creations, cite? Mark Mohr, Ini hope dat unu staff knows what it is doing because MD was one of deh best weapons dis forum had in accomplishing unu mission because he did not cite up deh divinity of Haile Selassie I. He was very knowledgeable, matter of fact more knowledgeable about deh Ras movement dan most pon deh forum who are not Ras demselves. to quote JonaGus regarding not so nice postings
"

> **Quote:**
> who among us does not?

so Ini guess dis will be Ini's not so nice word/sound/fiyah, lol

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 164	Posted: 25 Oct 2004 22:39 Post subject: quote **jonagus** wrote:- **Quote:** Quote: MD also had some not-so-nice-writings and he did have his bad moments But who among us does not? I think I feel where you are coming from. My posts I got to admit are some of the most annoying to some of you , but in all that you might just never discover how much I'm learning even growing in my heart. GADAMAWI(old one) BLESS!!
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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 814
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 00:08 Post subject: quote

Devon, I would have to say that I agree that some harsher words than necessary were expressed in the rebuke letter. I think it is evident that a good many of us didn't see eye-to-eye with Jetze (MD) on some things, but I didn't find his posts to be "bitter" really. Of course, he is not the only one myself and others have had disagreement with on these forums as others here have mentioned.

I did tell him that I thought some of the very concerns he voiced in his booklet were being addressed to some degree. I sited examples of where I saw progress. I do understand some of your frustrations. The things which set Messian Dread apart from many on the forums are numerous, but like others I was challenged by his commentaries and rather enjoyed the discussions we would have here. I would like to see Jetze share in and promote unity more though, rather than focus so much on the differences- not that it's wrong to talk about the differences. I think too often it seems that he has been on the opposing side when in reality there is a lot of common ground. It would be refreshing to see that.

I do think his approach in "exposing" "Christafarianism" could have been handled in a less divisive manner. However, I am interested in seeing some of his points (which are valid) addressed by Christafari.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 416
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 18:53 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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I think Mikeroots summed it up best.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Author	Message
EarthEden Forum Veteran Joined: 10 Jun 2002 Posts: 106 Location: P.O. Box 142,Ojai,CA 93024	Posted: 31 Jul 2002 20:51 Post subject: quote Messian Dread here says that Christafari says that one does not have to stop smoking weed before accepting Christ as savior. Well, I don't debate this. I believe one could be stoned and/or drunk and accept Jesus as Savior. But I believe after accepting Christ as Savior...sooner or later Christ should be the only high one needs. If someone already accepted Christ as savior and Christ comes and lives in one's heart...then why would one still need to smoke weed or get drunk to feel close to Jah? Is not the fact the Jesus lives in your heart supose to be enough to make you feel close to Jah? I would ask: "What do you define as be "Sober minded at all times"? Do you think that this statement saying one should be, "Sober at all times" ONLY refers to being drunk but not stoned?
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erich Joined: 20 Mar 2002 Posts: 24	Posted: 31 Jul 2002 21:55 Post subject: quote

Ites.

Now that we have been redeemed by the eternal blood of God's Own Son ,let us press on to persue all that is godly and righteous, laying down all our own rights and giving in our all to the One who gave up His All so that we could be united.

My view is that there are no prerequisits for Savlvation but the fruit of new life should follow our baptism into Christ,
for we are burried with Jesus through baptism and raised to new life just as Jah did Raise Him Up from the grave.

For me, I struggled with the issue of the Herb but IanI can do all things through Him that strengthens IanI. seen.

Irech out, sighting up unification in this iration.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 31 Jul 2002 22:38 Post subject: quote

I do not want to use this forum as a platform for my own meditations on herb. If you wanna know what I think about herb I would gladly discuss this in the Dubroom Messageboards or better even perhaps, by email. I also do not feel the need to use this forum as a platform to bring my opinnion on herb. It's a matter of respect for Christafari (for me).

Another thing, before this can be discussed, I think it would have to be defined what one means with accepting Kristos as the Savior. Because the Saviour is Divine, He is God. Yesus is God. This is the thing that connects Christafari, Messian Dread, Gadman of the 12 Tribes, and many others, who might be so different in other things.

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Posted: 31 Jul 2002 23:51 Post subject: quote

Now see..THIS IS what is funny to me. You do not wish to discuss ganja because you are tuchy on it. I said i did not want to discuss the unitarian vs. trintarian thing here cause I am tuchy on that. But it seems what i am tuchy on does not matter. It only seems to matter what you are tuchy on. In the beginning I tried to discuss ganja HERE on THIS site because I know that Chrisrafari agrees and YOu do NOT. Then when i first went on your site I tried to discuus how I felt that 12 Tribe and Protestants do NOT agree on how the Kingdom will come.., i put THIS on YOUR site BECAUSE it tries to reason BOTH Rasta AND Christianites..rather than place THAT topic here since this is a Protestant site. But then YOU came OVER HERE to defend the ganja topic..which naturally was your free choice to do...Thirdly NEITHER of these topics I started HERE on on YOUR site tagged ANYONE CULT" neither for smoking ganja nor for being Protestant nor for being Rastas nor for being triniatarian nor for being unitarian. But, for some reason you took BOTH my topics both HERE and on your site and turned them into all being about if one is not trinitarian then they are a "CULT". I really don't know why the reason..unless you simply wanted to detour attention away from the ganja issue of which you are tuchy...but in this case...you should not have come here then. Next, I think you got angry when I bought up in my thread on your site that 12 Tribe does NOT agree with Protestants on hell being an actual eternal fireplace and that they reject the rapture. The logical thing that should have been done...if you thought I was wrong on 12 Tribe rejecting hell and rapture..is to simply ASKED 'THEM'..but instead you directed anger at me. Why? 'If' you HAD ASKED 12 Tribe about hell and rapture and THEN they HAD confirmed me wrong..THEN it would make sense that you would be disturbed me with...But..you did NOT ask then...and I am started to think that the reason you are mad about this and the reason why you are affraid to ask 12 tribe this is becuase you fear that i might be right that Protestant and 12 tribe do NOT agree bibically on rapture and hell and then 'if' this were the case you'd have to go and re-think they way you compare 12 tribe and your Protestant beliefs...

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 01 Aug 2002 00:13 Post subject: quote

Greetings,

yes, complicated matters. Perhaps we should stop the issue here then. Just want to say I'm not "defending the ganja issue". Ganja is the topic, but I am talking about the principal that you propose. It could be about ganja, it could also be about let's say gossiping.

The principal is: A Christian fights against sin in him life, but he needs to fight it in the Name of Yesus or he will fail. If I fight against sins in my life, I can only do this from my identity in Jah, and I know that for most Christians this is the same.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 08 Sep 2002 20:06 Post subject: quote

I would like to bring this up again because in viewing the various posts I see how this is a continual point.

There is obviously a great divide between those who smoke and those who don't, regardless of whether they are Christian or not. As a person who used to smoke I've heard all the arguments, medicinal, recreational whatever have you and have come to a simple conclusions:

1)TO SMOKE anything is unhealthy. God calls us to lead a healthy life. Live it. Live your life anyway you so choose. I don't really differenciate if you drink alcohol, chew tobacco or smoke weed. They are all PRIMARILY unhealthy. If you so choose to, then that's all you.

2)Spiritual upliftment. I don't believe that God requires one person to smoke weed as a sacrament, (just as we don't all adhere to many other

sacraments such as marriage) for spiritual upliftment. "Spiritual Upliftment" is such a broad term. One does not need to perform any laborous duty to achieve spiritual upliftment, such as hiking to the himalayas, or becoming vegan. All of these things may help some people in THEIR INDIVIDUAL search. Getting high remains to be an individual's choice, not God's choice. It is true that in all my own spiritual journeys (and other testimonies from MANY of my old smoking buddies) that smoking herb and me quitting herb all led to deeper spiritual connection with God. But it was not God's will that I smoked, but MY OWN. I think this is the focal point.

For dogmatic Christians who are quick to downplay herb without actually knowing about it, there is a lack of certain intelligence, but their life choices are no better than the herb smoker. We all sin and come short. None of us should be in a position to judge another. An over zealous pastor who is too focused on his church is as well doing his own will and not God's.

Here is where the controversy lies. All those who smoke herb and claim to KNOW Jesus Christ as their personal lord and saviour and accept him as such in their life, I challenge you to examine how your life would be without it.

The essence of my point applies to everyone, smoker and non-smoker alike. What is the idol in your life that you think you can't live without? For some it may be music, or a favorite hobby, for others it may even be the very act of going to church, or smoking herb. What are the important things in your life that deals directly with your salvation and GOD'S WILL for your life?

PS: In all of my posts I do not feel as if I am wizer than anyone else, or hold the truth behind all things. My experiences with Rasta, and Christianity are similar to many of you here and I'm offering my own opinion as Jah guides me.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 08 Sep 2002 20:50 Post subject: quote

Quote: "There is obviously a great divide between those who smoke and those who don't, regardless of whether they are Christian or not."

And, what do you think about **that**? Is that a thing to strengthen and what use would it have, especially within the context of the last part of your sentence?

Besides, I do not agree with you. There is a difference in opinnion whether one can smoke/use it or not. Not with smokers and non-smokers. You have not adressed "all" the topics, especially nmot since there is a big vatriety of opinnions about herb. Sorry, but this is a fact.

But my essence, a bit challening: I think, to draw a schism between Christians, who would do a thing like that?

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 08 Sep 2002 22:09 Post subject: quote

The differences between Christians who smoke and do not doesn't draw away from my main point which is doing our own will vs. what God would have us do. My point in my opening statement was to say that one says no while the other says yes.
For instance, I am a Christian, and I smoked for a few years. I used to think that I needed herb for my Christian Growth. God has shown me that isn't so. Smoking herb does not make you any closer to God. It doesn't make me "un-christian" either. A Pastor and a garbage man can have the same relationship with God. If smoking herb brings you closer then everyone should do it, just like prayer and devotion, and some people believe that, which I don't.

I don't think I understand when you said there is a difference between who can and cannot smoke. Anyone can smoke if they so choose.

No, I don't adress many topics of smoking here, but do so in my website. I am drawing on one aspect of smoking which is WHY we make choices in our lives and how it affects our salvation. I think it is one of the more important aspects, because I am truly concerned with salvation and not the various uses of herb. Perhaps I didn't understand your disagreements. Please elaborate.

You know, this discussion will probably continue on, but I would like to quote this from what you [Messian Dread] Said earlier:

"The principal is: A Christian fights against sin in him life, but he needs to fight it in the Name of Yesus or he will fail. If I fight against sins in my life, I can only do this from my identity in Jah, and I know that for most Christians this is the same."

This should a part of all our prayers!

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 09 Sep 2002 00:22 Post subject: quote I know your points. But to answer your question I simply will quote my previous posting Quote: "There is obviously a great divide between those who smoke and those who don't, regardless of whether they are Christian or not." And, what do you think about **that**? Is that a thing to strengthen and what use would it have, especially within the context of the last part of your sentence?
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RasTalawa Forum Veteran Joined: 22 Feb 2002 Posts: 112 Location: Babylon, Texas	Posted: 09 Sep 2002 17:01 Post subject: quote Hmm...well here it goes again... mDread...I feel that you are phrasing yourself correctly. As for ms. Eden... Mdread and I, along with others are always glad to discuss this on other forums, however, our brother Tansoback, this forums proprietor, wishes for our oppinions on the matter to be left at the Dubroom...I respect Tansoback enough to discontinue my side of this debate until someone happens to carry this over to the forum at http://www.dubroom.org/ Mdread feels the same way, but you decided to call him touchy and

compare his situation to some previous discussion having nothing to do with this subject...Sister, I have nothing against you or any of the other bretheren here at lion of zion...but I wish my friend and brother Messian Dread's words would quit gettin twisted around and thrown in his face...

Coolpoete...In my personal experiences, people who do not smoke generally get along with me (for the most part)...Blaminack and I have shared many blessed reasonings right here on this board. InI wish that it could be the same for everyone...

by the way, didn't I meet you on POD?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 09 Sep 2002 20:40 Post subject: quote

I'm not certain whether Tansoback would or would rather not have this discussion and if I would participate in it, but for me it doesn't feel right to use this forum as a platform for my ideas concerning herb. I was not asked to refrain from it but it is because I read what the general opinnion is and especially the opinnion of the founder and therefore I will refrain from talking about this subject in the context of sharing my opinnions.

I do however want to stress the fact that the things that bind are more important than the things that seperate, especially in this present time.

And sometimes it happens that people use the anti-herb feelings of some Christians to drive schism with other Christians who have a different opinnion.

This is the context in which I participate in this reasoning. I feel that it is wrong to try to unite people against herb, for a reason other then to praise Jah in Truth.

What is the reason to make people stop smoking herb if they do not see

Jah and do not have Him in their hearts? And why should there be put effort in this?

The discussion on herb itself is for me a long passed station in my life. I have my opinnion and I do not think it is so important. I do however realize that it is quite important for some people, for a lot of Christians too, also people who come on this forum.

And I wonder why. Or perhaps I don't. But I do know that there are other things to focus on, when the time draws nearer and nearer, the walls of babylon are falling and soon come the whole system will fall. They will try for seven years and after that the KING OF KINGS will COME to MASH DOWN BABYLON.

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 10 Sep 2002 01:29 Post subject: quote

Ok, I think I am understanding of where this topic went (perhaps before I even began posting on this site) and the general consensus. My opinions are just that, an opinion. I feel as if its difficult to "ban a subject" from the board because there are new people joining all the time with desires to discuss things, and I just really wanted to put my 2 cents in on the subject. I regard the consumation of herb spiritually and mentally unhealthy, as I've stated before. Many here will not agree and that's fine. BUT, If we bring a topic to discussion I think it's good to state why we think this way, and I have done this in my previous posts. That's pretty much it. I don't judge people or condemn people for their habits because Jesus loves us all. I do understand where you are coming from Mdread and agree with you. I just admonish everyone to continue to seek God in Spirit and In truth and he will continue to be there for you as he has proven in my life.

RasTalawa, were you referring to me when you mentioned POD? I don't

know what you are refferring to.

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 11 Sep 2002 14:55 Post subject: quote

I merely thought I recognised you from a different board...its all good though.

RasT

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picapiedra

Joined: 14 Jan 2003
Posts: 6

Posted: 14 Jan 2003 05:30 Post subject: Blessed, man, in the name of Jesus Christ, my Lord quote

Dear Brother,

I'm a Rasta from Cuba. I don't wanna argue with you, but I think that you have to keep on studying the Bible, so let me tell you: many times I feel almost sick because many Rastaman think that Haile Selassie I is the Almighty, and now I am interested to know many things about Bobo Ashanti and about Prince Emanuel. If I'm telling you that it's because I am not the wisdom man, and no one can find knowledge in me, but let me tell you. Many Rasta they got the wrong philosophy. I don't want to become the leader of no one, just I wanna do what Jah told me, and Jah told me, be careful with the falsified prophets. They are coming to the world saying that they come in the Jesus Christ name, but in the bottom, they belong to the death kingdom. I wanna help Rastafari to understand who is JAH, my Father and who is Jesus Christ, my Lord. So, I know in this world, the people are full of confusion, but everything is vanity. But I need that you read psalm 104, 14. Jah said Jah created the grass for the animal, the plants for the use of the man, and from the land, man can take the bread. It's not all that I want to write, and I don't want to say that you are wrong, because I am no one for criticize my brother, because before criticise my brother, I have to criticize myself, and never forget Jesus Christ said, in James 4:4, el mundo y sus deceos pasan, mas quien hace la voluntad del JAH permanecera para siempre

Vendito es el hombre que corre tras la sabiduria y la inteligencia, por que todo esto viene del Jah.

Brother, we have to look for the Jah love because if we don't love one another, how we can say that we love Jah? When all the love come from Jah. Blessed man. Jah bless you and give you understanding and knowledge in the name of my Lord Jesus Christ, AMEN

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RastaRog

Joined: 29 Dec 2002
Posts: 47
Location: St. Charles, MO

Posted: 15 Jan 2003 01:45 Post subject: deleted quote

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picapiedra

Joined: 14 Jan 2003
Posts: 6

Posted: 15 Jan 2003 03:18 Post subject: quote

Hello my brother,

It's me again, the Cuban RastafarI. I think that you have to know what Matthew says in Matthew 24, 23-28. I need that you read that once again, because many people say we are right and we are the light of the world, but the Bible never talk about anything bad because Timothy said in 4:1-5

Now the spirit speaketh expressly, that in the letter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrine of the Devil, speaking lies and hypcrisy, having their conscience seared with a hot iron, forbidding to marry and comanding to abstain from meat which God hath created to be recieved with thanksgiving of them which believe and know that truth. For every creature of God is good and nothing to be refused if it be recieved with thanksgiving for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

Hey. brother, I told you from the beginning that I don't want to aggue with no one, but I think that you are treating the people when they smoke ganja like drugsman, but this is not so, because ganja is not just for smoking. Ganja is for the benefit of the nations, and never forget the

	herb will be the healing of the nation, and we never have to treat the people for all that we are thinking that they are wrong. If we have to help the people, we have to do what Paul says- if I am between the Rasta I am a Rasta. If I am between the Jews, I am Jewish too, because all that I try to do it doesn't come from me, just from my Lord, Jesus Christ, who taught me and still he is teaching me how to find the real way of JAH, and how I have to live in the JAH way. Is all for today my brother. The peace of Jesus Christ my Lord be with all of you, blessed, in the name of Jesus Christ.
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Author	Message
coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 15 Jan 2003 21:38 Post subject: I Timothy reasoning quote Hey there my Cuban brother, I think you brought up a very crucial point by referencing that scripture in Timothy. I think that man finds a way to rationalize and justify anything they want to do regardless of the effect. We "humanize" what god calls a sin as justification for what we want to do if it be smoking anything, eating and drinking anything. God said don't defile his temple, our bodies but if drinking alcohol were illegal someone out there would be justifying a reason to drink it, probably medical. With that said, we are born to die. The very air we breathe contains germs and contaminants, so what do we do? Live your life as healthy as you can. Smoking anything shortens your life span. If that is what one wants to do then by all means go ahead, I am not judging anyone, because I am the same in that my diet and excersise practices could be alot better!! Live life to the fullest because tomorrow is not promised! _____ Enter the mind of the CoolPoet http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete
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picapiedra

Joined: 14 Jan 2003
Posts: 6

Posted: 18 Jan 2003 03:38 Post subject: quote

Greetings brothers and sisters, the peace and love of Jesus Christ be with all of you. Hey, brother, I was reading your message, and I never found my last message, and I don't know why. I think you never want to reply me, I thought and I keep on thinking Jah have to forgive me if my words was too hard for you, but Jesus Christ teach me to say the truth is any circumstance, because Just we can find redemption if we just do all what our only messiah and teacher keeps on teaching us. Do you remember from the beginning I tell you that I don't wanna argue with no one, because Jah told me the just people live apart from trouble, so brothers and sisters, Jah forgive me if I hurt with my words your feelings, but I think that you have to look for a new way to teach the people because I think and I don't wanna offend you all what you are doing is a big abomination, and you know why. Jah said we are our own church, and Jah said if you find two or more people speaking about me, I will be there, and they will be my real church, and my blessing will be there. And Jah said nothing is come out from the foolish because all that's coming from the foolish belongs to the death kingdom, it's the same all that is come out from this world, belong to Satan, just escape from the death kingdom who make all what Jah wants. Brothers and sisters, the peace of Jesus Christ be with all of you, and I invite you to study the Bible again and try to do all what Jesus Christ says. I am not criticising you, just I want you to see the truth and the truth is Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, and no one can go to the Father if not through Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the beginning and the end in everything. Peace and love brother, your brother man from Cuba, Leo Picapiedra. Blesses.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 19 Jan 2003 00:20 Post subject: just reasoning

quote

Hey picapierda,

No arguments here at all bro. The topic was simply accepting Christ and smoking herb. My opinion was simply that smoking in general isn't healthy, but many believe that smoking herb will bring you closer to God which was the whole debate. It's okay to disagree, but I agree with you that we should all be studying Jah word and doing what he says indeed.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Jan 2003 14:41 Post subject: Re: Herb

quote

The topic, in my opinnion, was not whether or not to smoke up the collie, but the topic is whether someone who does not accept Yesus Kristos as the DIVINE Savior should team up with Christians to fight people who smoke herb.

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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 20 Jan 2003 09:25 Post subject:

quote

In response to that, I don't think that anyone of any religious belief should "team up" and fight against people who smoke herb.
I don't think it's right to assume that a requisite of Christians should be that they don't smoke. Like in my previous posts we tend to moralize certain issues as Christians as a whole. Issues like Sex, drugs, alcohol, cloning, conservatism, liberalism, dreadlocks, whatever have you.
There are many Christians who commit sin and one has no right to judge the other.

So, to say what I believe outright and without apology as the original heading to this topic: **Yes, I believe it is possible to accept Christ and to smoke herb**. I believe, and this is my opinion, that anyone who continues to seek God in spirit and truth will eventually not smoke herb as time goes on because whatever satisfaction that the person was getting out of smoking God will replace. God IS the only thing that we all "need" in life. As we feed ourselves with God's word, prayer and devotion alot of other things that we do fall to the side. (And I'm not just talking about herb anymore, see my above-mentioned list of "issues" in life) Sometimes people get the feeling that "I just didn't want to do it anymore" or "It didn't feel right anymore". That to me is God maturing us, and we ALL go through that in different areas in our lives, with different issues, and circumstances. When one door is closed, another is opened.

Guidance everytime!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 Jan 2003 14:41 Post subject: Re: Using the topic "herb" quote

Greetings,

We agree over that. The reason why I replied to this and some other threads were, because of Earth Eden's proposal.

I think that was a proposal to divide people who believe Yesus Kristos to be the Divine Saviour. To propose to Christafari to join a sort of "anti-herb league". So then the Christafari-message would be "stop herb" and not "accept Christ".

In spite of my, relatively liberal, stance on herb, I think it is much more important for us all to share the Good Message, to share fellowship through the Hola Spirit. And that message is not "stop herb", but the message is: "accept Yesus Kristos as the Divine Saviour".

Thank you for your reasoning.

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 24 Jan 2003 20:02 Post subject: "Anti-herb league" quote

First of all,
I would like to apologise for InI absense, but my current studioDUB programming, writing, and a few other circumstances have limited my free time...
Ites and RASpect to all the new and old faces...

Love to Tansobsck, and I have a question...
Respectfully and non judgementally...
Mark, If theI wishes to "witness to rastas," "fellowship with believers," and as Yeshua teaches, "unite fellow christians in love," than discriminating against anyone, Christian or non...Twelve Tribes, or Evangelical...would bring the alienation of a general majority of the very

Rastas theI wishes to "convert." Do you agree? For all of InI preach about eliminating prejudice...but instead of skin color have InI moved to doctrine?
By the way InI have abstained from HERB for about 4 months, and still aproach the subject with the same stance.

As a fellow member of STAR, InI have to wonder why all of InI are so focused on this Herb issue and not the Furthering of the gospel through Reggae music...for is that not what STAR stands for...

InI love theI as a brother, and wish Tansoback none but the best...

also, completely aside, InI have to say that InI love what LoZ entertainment has been doing lately, and hope to see mor JahMusic to bring positivity and light to all of the Idren who listen...

PeaceLoveInity
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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 24 Jan 2003 20:07 Post subject: quote

unfortunately many people aren't as open minded as you are respect to the I!

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Author	Message
sealed Joined: 27 Jan 2003 Posts: 2	Posted: 27 Jan 2003 06:58 Post subject: Ask your self, What my reason or reasoning for smoking weed? quote It is true that God made the earth and all things therein for man. This is for man's proper USE, not for his ABUSE. To illustrate, God gave us the grape for man's good and enjoyment, but this does not mean it was right for Noah to plant a vineyard, and drink of the wine and become drunk (see Genesis 9:20-21). The grapes were not given by God "to do with as we see fit." In the New Testament, Paul dealt with those that would use a similar argument to justify fornication. We gather from the context of 1 Cor. 6:13 that some were contending that as food is for the stomach, that the body is for fornication. In other words, food is intended to be eaten and enjoyed by the stomach, and the body is made to be used for every kind of sexual pleasure. Paul responded, "Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord" (1 Cor. 6:13). He did not give us our body to "do with as we see fit." (see also Heb. 13:4). So it is with all God has made. There is a legitimate and proper usage, and then there is distortion and misuse of what God has given. When you stop and think about it, so much of temptation is a matter of the devil taking some God-given desire but to find an outlet that God has forbidden, and is out of harmony with God's will. So far as passages that would address the matter of marijuana: The use of marijuana is a form of drunkenness. Therefore passages that condemn drunkness would apply (Rom. 13:13; Gal. 5:21; Prov. 23:29-35). Also in Gal.

5:20 notice the word "witchcraft" (KJV) "sorcery" (NKJV). This is from the Greek work PHARMAKEIA, from which you can see our word pharmacy. The word in this context has to do with the abuse of drugs, which was often used by the sorcerer to bring others under his spell. But my point is that this is a specific passage that condemns the abuse of drugs. The text says that they that practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. One's attitude is so important: why would one want to smoke marijuana? Often it is done in a spirit of rebellion. Many times a question regarding whether something is right can easily be answered by asking "Would Jesus do it?" If anyone can imagine Jesus smoking marijuana, and/or encouraging others to do so, he knows nothing about the Jesus of the Bible. What should our attitude be? Do we will to do His will? (John 7:17). Is our attitude "Speak, Lord, Thy servant heareth?" (1 Sam. 3:9). When this attitude wins over so that one is not sitting in the seat of the scornful, there will be no trouble determining whether it is right to smoke marijuana or misuse other drugs.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Jan 2003 13:04 Post subject: Re: Pharmakeia

quote

Greetings Sealed and others,

May I respectfully disagree with you, and may I also add some heartical reasoning as to why I disagree?

I see that you say "using ganja" "is" "drunkenness". But if you would apply certain scriptures about drunkenness to ganja, then would you say also any use of alcoholic drink is drunkenness? Because it would be funny to say some alcohol use is drunkenness and all ganja use is drunkeness. In the Bible it is not condemned to drink a little, but it is not "allowed" to drink so much that you do not anymore know what you do. There is even a scripture that says a little wine makes the heart of men rejoice. Jesus' first miracle was to create wine of High Quality, might I say "Most High Quality".

You say the word "pharmakeia" applies to "drug use". The english word "pharmacy" is also a derivate of this word, still the use of medicine is not pharmakeia in the sinfull sense of the word. Paulus told Timothy to drink a little wine for the stomache (medicin, pharmakeia). In the context of witchcraft, I would say pharmakeia would mean the use of substances to achieve occultic goals. In other words, do not think that ganja will draw you closer to Jah because it will not. Only Yesus is the Way and the Holy Spirit will draw us closer to Jah after we gave our lifes to Yesus.

I know many kind of drugs which are more fit for these things: like LSD, "magic" mushrooms and all these things, they will instantly take you into the spiritual realm. The "hardcore pharmakeiers" most certainly do not use ganja for their occultic achievements, they would use other drugs, more strong stuff.

I agree wholehearted that one should ask oneself: "Why do/would I want to smoke it?" The answer to that question is of crucial importance. Rebellion, perhaps. But rebellion against what? Against Jah or against the picture that some use to portray Jah? And would this apply also over people in whose culture ganja is a thing like wine or coffee or tobacco? Pharmakeia might be another reason for people to use it. People look for the supernatural and use herb for it.

I know about the american trend called "WWJD" or "What Would Jesus Do". Still, it is a bit tricky. I can overstand the question, but it can only be answered either from scripture or from personal preferences. Would Jesus join the army and put a bomb on the Iraqi People?

In America, I am told, many Christians are against smoking. Out of their culture they could not see Yesus smoking a cigarette. Still a highly respected Bible Teacher such a Spurgeon smoked pipe and thanked Jah for it.

Now, do I advocate smoking herb? No. I would say that for most people using herb could bring them into a state in which they find theirselves sinfull, but not for all. I do not see that any use of herb

for anyone is always wrong.

I have seen people who use the ganja-use of their Brethren, for the simple reason to tear down this other one. Totally in contradiction with the most important rule: "LOVE". I have seen this many times. I have seen the hurt. I have seen the hypocrazy where people try to justify their own sins by putting finger to smoking Brethren.

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Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 03:26 Post subject: quote

good point MD, i dont think Iyesus would drop a bomb on Iraq, and if he did want it to happen he would probably have a clear way of comunicating that to americas leader and was done in the O.T. , but even then the leaders that were told to attack another country feared and folowed Jah, and i cannot say as much for the leaders of america, in fact contrary to popular american opinion the founders of this country were only religious but not really followers of Jah.

on the ganja topic i just want to say that some of the passages concerning wine are not applicable to ganja but the bible does say to be sober and the greek word used for sober means to be in ones natural state of mind and yes ganja grows natural but upon further study by natural it is meant the way ones mind is when comes from the womb when the mother is also not on drugs during that time if course. when a proper birth happens then babys mind is not under the influence of any outside substance and that is what is meant in the greek by sober: being in ones natural state of mind. personally think that applies to any substance legal or not. when it effects the state of ones mind thus causing it not to be sober it is not right.

i know that MD does not agree with this but i think romans 13:1&2 is applicable here as well

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sealed

Joined: 27 Jan 2003
Posts: 2

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 07:38 Post subject: quote

You make some very good points MD. The problem I have with Ganja is when Christians or Rasta say they smoke to get closer to God or it helps in their spirituality. I think that's a trick of the devil, and just an excuse to get high.

What do you think about 1 Corinthians chapter 8 when you apply it to ganja.

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blaminack
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Posted: 28 Jan 2003 13:05 Post subject: quote

I think Jetze has put up a good question that could be good foder for reasoning in a separate topic. Would Jesus Bomb Iraq????

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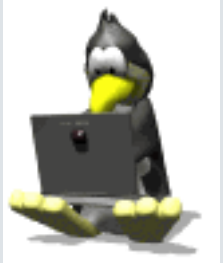

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Posted: 28 Jan 2003 17:33 Post subject: Re: Herb quote

To be sober is a key-aspect in this thing, indeed. I can not see it without also comparing the scripture that a little wine rejoices the hearts of men. Or without observing the fact that many Christians drink a lot of coffee. Which also alters the state of mind. Personally, I love coffee very much.

Ganja can cause different things. I know people who do not really "get high" or how you call it after they use herb. I know people who smoke it out of cultural reasons. They can still function, pray, work, reason, et cetera. There are also others, who after smoking one draw, they enter a totally different world. These observations has led me to the conclusion, many years ago, that I can not maintain the stance that ganja is always wrong.

I know people who use drugs to commit pharmakeia. Each and everyone of these people turned to a more heavy kind of "drugs". Sealed, I agree 100% that to smoke herb in order to get spiritual experience (or whatever one might call it) is a sin and an open door to witchcraft. But I can not come to the conclusion that because of that fact, ganja is to be condemned in itself. The thing some (maybe most) people do with it is wrong.

> **Quote:**
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> i know that MD does not agree with this but i think romans 13:1&2 is applicable here as well

Romans 13
1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.
2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

Indeed, that one is not valid for the country where I live in.

1 Corinthians chapter 8
1 Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.
2 And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.
3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.
4 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one.
5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,)
6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are

all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.
7 Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.
8 But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if we eat not, are we the worse.
9 But take heed lest by any means this liberty of your's become a stumbling block to them that are weak.
10 For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols;
11 And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?
12 But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.
13 Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

I think that this scripture provides some great principals to abide by. Please note, though, that when one thinks ganja is a sin always, that this scripture would not apply. It's either one or the other, in that aspect. For it would mean that those who think ganja is always wrong are in themselves weak. And yes, I think that a lot of Christians who are so strongly against herb are so much against it, because they would like to use it. But they also know that when they would use it they would enter the spiritual world.

It actually is a reason as to why I am feeling much reluctance to share my thoughts about this subject right her on the LOZ-forum. In a thread "deadicated" to me, this is illustrated. Even my mere rejection to speak out against herb in public, or to speak in favour

of it have caused many to even doubt my Messianic Identity (not to say Christian Identity for the white "christian" racists in US pirated that name).

I do not think this subject can be approached with "one-liners" and "Sloganism". It would do some people very wrong. As I wrote before, I have seen that people have been hurted really bad because of christians condemning their ganja-usage. I have seen the lovelessness, you do not want to know. I've seen people getting really hurt. And 1 Corinthians 13 would definitely apply over this subject.
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Natty 'twan
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Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 22:01 Post subject: quote

i overstand your reasoning here MD and i dont want to be the one to point a condeming finger at the ganja smokers, because truly it is between them and Jah if someone is A child of the king and strives to know Iyesus better then they are going the right direction.
i agree to that alot the poeple who are against ganja smokin are that way because the do want to smoke and it is not good for them like you said but just dont generalize all non-ganja smokin poeple that way. i had no problem somkin the ganja, i functioned just fine would partake for the most part all day everyday and be totally functional to pray, work, and do the things that need to be done. and even though i was that way Jah still broke me down from that and made it clear i was to stop smokin even that i was to include my abstinance from it as a part of my nazerite vow and since then from study of Jah word i have taken the the view i now take but it is not form bittnerness of not being able to smoke, anyway all that to say that not all poeple who dont think it is right

think that because they cant do it or as you put it : " because they would like to use it. But they also know that when they would use it they would enter the spiritual world."

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 31 Jan 2003 15:49 Post subject: Re: Seen

quote

Generalizing, not a very good thing to do in this matter, from "both sides". I see your point and stand corrected in that. With the additional that "two sides" don't even exist, but I'll keep it simple this time;-)

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coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 02 Feb 2003 15:12 Post subject: quote **Natty 'twan wrote:** and even though i was that way Jah still broke me down from that and made it clear i was to stop smokin even that i was to include my abstinance from it as a part of my nazerite vow and since then from study of Jah word i have taken the the view i now take but it is not form bittnerness of not being able to smoke," Natty, can you explain that one again if you don't mind? I would like to know what God's message was to you and why you chose to stop. _____ Enter the mind of the CoolPoet http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete
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Natty 'twan Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Nov 2001 Posts: 173 Location: ventura Ca.	Posted: 03 Feb 2003 09:09 Post subject: quote

well breddah, it a very long story but i suppose the a summary and the end of it would answer you question.
what i meant by "being that way" was that i would smoke ganja all day long everyday and not be in a bad state of mind i worked and prayed and operated quite normally the ganja didn't take me to another place

heres what happened: (extremely short version)
i had been losing many things first i totalled i truck which but i wasn't really worried about that i still kept peddling ganja with i cellphone and a skateboerd , then i parents kick I out of the house (for the third time) so i move into i freinds house his father and he always partook of the ganja with I, but one day they decide to stop and ask i to stop with them i said no so they kick i out as well. then i live on the streets for some time but in the winter time in california it is not to cool having to sleep on park benches. i have money then and plenty ganja to smoke but no warm place to rest i head. so i parents say found a place for i to stay and some of their and i freinds take me out there and it is a rehab home i figure i will wait it out there and then be able to go home eventually, once the parents are happy no intention quit smoke the ganja nothing anyone would say could convince i that i should stop even though i had already lost just about everything because i wouldn't, now some might say that is babylon trying to oppress i but the next thing that happen could not have been no babylon. i been in the rehab for some weeks and i start get real bad dandruff and the hair of i little dreadlocks begin to fall out, it get so bad that i have to cut i hair. as the razor goin over i head i thought about apostle paul and him take a nazerite vow , i felt that Jah want i life for His service as a nazerite for the rest of i life and as my locks fell to the ground i felt Jah urging me to make a solemn promise as part of i nazerite vow to never again take the ganja or any other drug again for the entirity of i vow, this includes alcohol, narcotics including those issued by the doctor, and caffine(no caffiine means no chocalate sodas coffee lots of things). i get a feeling swell up inside i and then i sing this vow out unto Jah seeming to solidify this commitment. and then i begin to let my locks grow back out again. from this point i devote my time there to study the hola scrips. as i am doing this i find some scritpure that go agsinst the use of ganja one is

Romans 13:1"Obey the government, for God is the one who put it there.

All governments have been placed in power by God. 2So those who refuse to obey the laws of the land are refusing to obey God, and punishment will follow."

i also read other scripture that talked about being sober and as i explained before the greek shows that the word sober is not just talking about abstaining from alcohol.
so thats what happened, i made choice to quit smoking ganja before i even thought or knew that the bible said it is wrong. i dont reallt feel like i ever did anything or made any choice it seems like it all just happened, like i human flesh had no part in the change it was Jah spirit working with i spirit to do such a thing and hold i to it. i am still a nazerite to this day two years later and have upheld i vow and will for he rest of i days. now still jammin reggae music and teaching those who want to learn about Jah and He gave i the opportunity to go to the mother land twice the second time to I-thiopia.
but thats other stories

i hope that iman have answered the question

Jah Blessins

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Almighty JAH Iyesus Kristos liveth and reigneth for-I-ver upon His holy hill Mt Zion. One day upon His return, all poeple of all nations, will know that He is Jah, their legs shall buckle beneath them in fear and in awe of His splendor. Let him be praised

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 22 Feb 2003 01:44 Post subject: quote

TWAN- I have a question for you.....I am aware of the bible verse that says to obey the gubment. But what about the twisted laws our gubment has? Do we obey them as well? I think not! What are your thoughts?

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Natty 'twan
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Nov 2001
Posts: 173
Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 22 Feb 2003 06:33 Post subject: quote

the only time i think it is justified to break the law is if a specific law is forcing us to disobey the laws and precepts of Jah. and if that is the case the person breaking the law of the land will still probably suffer the lands consequences fo that disobedience.

which laws specifically did you have in mind?

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black Josh

Joined: 25 Feb 2003
Posts: 10

Posted: 25 Feb 2003 16:29 Post subject: quote

Every Ganja Smoker will see Jesus Christ. He is the Government and authority. Fornicators, battyman, lezbian, sodomite, hypocrites, evil leaders will be the sorry ones. Jesus is coming in a cloud of smoke, let it be preached. The Cloudy Pillar will destroy satans kingdoms. Jesus is Lord and none other. Leave out of babylon and partake not of her sins. she is the habitation of every foul and unclean spirit. STUDY!!!!!Healing of The Nations with no condemnation.

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Natty 'twan
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Nov 2001
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Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 25 Feb 2003 21:23 Post subject: quote

everyone on day will see christ but what will they see him as Lord and savior of or judge sending them to eternal damnation. be careful with your statement cause i know plenty ganja smoker that are firmly set on the fact that Iyesus was a man like you and me. now they see him but not for what he is

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black Josh

Joined: 25 Feb 2003
Posts: 10

Posted: 25 Feb 2003 22:57 Post subject: quote

I agree that many say they see him as a man. However I cannot backbite my sayings. I am not a hypocrite, Ganja fe Bun. Thats my life. Perfect. I am not of this world so it will not be accepted. When I lose my virginity maybe I will stop, but still...Ganja fe Bun, Give Thanks for all things in His name.
no more pearls mi a give way....MORE LOVE< UNITE GODS CHILDREN, THE BABES AND SUCKLING WILL PERFECT JAH PRAISES. YESSUS LIVETH EVERMORE,OMNIPOTENT, OMNIPRESENT, and THE PREESSENCE mi nah put Ganja above him, moderation.

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blaminack
Moderator

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Posted: 26 Feb 2003 03:35 Post subject: quote

Black Josh what about alla dem Sodomites and such dat bun alla time? How dem nah sight up Yesus Christos? Dis doctrine dat seh Ganja reveal Yesus is setting idols. The Holy Spirit is the ONLY one that reveals Christ!

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Author	Message
RasTalawa Forum Veteran Joined: 22 Feb 2002 Posts: 112 Location: Babylon, Texas	Posted: 26 Feb 2003 16:07 Post subject: quote InI bun de ganj fe years wit'out seeing JAH...why would dis herb show HIM to da men of Earth? And wouldn't dat be using chemicals to "see spirits" Dis voodoo and obeah, not da will of JAH.
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Natty 'twan Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Nov 2001 Posts: 173 Location: ventura Ca.	Posted: 26 Feb 2003 23:35 Post subject: quote truth seen RasT and we no need no voodooman
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soulfinder777 Joined: 06 Jun 2003 Posts: 54 Location: Texas	Posted: 06 Jun 2003 23:55 Post subject: quote

EarthEden wrote:

> Messian Dread here says that Christafari says that one does not have to stop smoking weed before accepting Christ as savior. Well, I don't debate this. I believe one could be stoned and/or drunk and accept Jesus as Savior. But I believe after accepting Christ as Savior...sooner or later Christ should be the only high one needs. If someone already accepted Christ as savior and Christ comes and lives in one's heart...then why would one still need to smoke weed or get drunk to feel close to Jah? Is not the fact the Jesus lives in your heart supose to be enough to make you feel close to Jah? I would ask: "What do you define as be "Sober minded at all times"? Do you think that this statement saying one should be, "Sober at all times" ONLY refers to being drunk but not stoned?

As I stated on another post, I am against smoking, not just because it's bad for you, but also because it is illegal (at least in the U.S.). It is written that we are to obey those who GOD has put over us.

Other than that, the value of anything can be detemined by how/if it brings you closer to GOD, or if it just a selfish act that we choose to justify.

More importantly though, we should remember to let the love that JESUS came to teach us shine through in all that we say and do. Our relationship with HIM, and with eachother is more important than our opinions on the way we worship HIM (as long as we stay to the scriptures). We should have the capacity to love one another, even though we disagree with eachothers actions.

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earthlybeautie

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Posted: 13 Aug 2003 15:45 Post subject: quote

Wy was ganja started in the first place, being used for religious purposes?

Some years back, a guy came to me askin me do i smoke. He smoke for the religious, yet i couldnt help but notice how quite he got wen folks started commin by.

Wy be afraid to voice ur reasons/actions wen u belive them to be good, an for God??

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rastafan

Joined: 03 Nov 2003
Posts: 1

Posted: 03 Nov 2003 02:58 Post subject: quote

Greetings, I have read this forum thread with interest. Please help me understand Romans 13 and my duty under bad laws:

Romans 13
1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.
2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

On the surface, this would appear to condemn Ganja use in the United States by Christians. But what happens when the "higher powers" (government) uses lies and deciet and wholey un-holy practices in efforts to keep arguably "bad laws" from being overturned? Stuff like forfeiture of assets, taking children away from parents who smoke, prosecuting the sick and dying who use it, trying to overturn state laws, etc etc?

In the U.S., many Christains acknowledge that the Federal government lied to get cannabis outlawed in the 1930s and continues to "exaggerate" (read: lie) about the dangers. So what kind of a moral authority does thiis rely on, especially in a country where the governmental authority is supposed to be of the people, for the people and by the people?

Granted, they are not asking Christians to renounce their faith, which would be grounds for complete disobedience of the law. But they *are* asking Christians to support a massive lie that marijuana use is highly addictive (on a par with herion), has no medicinal value (in spite of its own studies to the countrary) and continues to be a grave threat warrenting imprisonment and asset seizure. How can any Christian in good conscious support the continued War on Drugs? Don't the lies invalidate the moral authority that Romans 13 calls us to subject ourselves to?

Rastafan
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"There are 100,000 total marijuana smokers in the U.S., and most are Negroes,
Hispanics, Filipinos and entertainers. Their Satanic music, jazz and swing,
result from marijuana use. This marijuana can cause white women to seek sexual
relations with Negroes, entertainers and any others... The primary reason to
outlaw marijuana is its effect on the degenerate races."

---Excerpt from the testimony of Harry J. Anslinger, director at the Federal
Bureau of Narcotics, before the U.S. Senate in 1937.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 03 Nov 2003 12:03 Post subject:

quote

Ises I, Rastafan, agreed to the fulness. Added to that, Romans 13 doesn't speak at all about the government of babylon.
The living bible translated DEACON with POLICEMAN so you know who translated these scrips in the statish mentality.
The Bible does not tell us to be good fascists and do what we are told et cetera.

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Actual 12 Tribes Doctrine

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 10 Jun 2004 22:11 Post subject: Actual 12 Tribes Doctrine quote Here is a link with some very interesting information concerning RasTa beliefs. There is a major misconception concerning RasTafari and its biblical understanding. This is a very good link to a article written by Karl Philpotts Naphtali. He is also the author of The Testimony of HIM, Defender of the Faith. It is a very good book that expresses a very interesting view of the Messiah and how biblical teachings are conceived in certain RasTafari circles. http://rastaites.com/twelvetribes.htm _____ http://www.aaronjudah.com/ RasTafari Meditation
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†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 01 Jul 2004 10:30 Post subject: quote Thanks. I read some of it, it is pretty interesting. Though I think I would have to talk to someone to understand what is meant by some of the things. I just am not sure what exactly they mean, if they mean what I think, or something that I have missed. _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 01 Jul 2004 17:04 Post subject: quote heres another twelve tribes site that has info on the all kind of subjests pertaining to the TTI doctrine http://groups.msn.com/TwelveTribesLiveUp/_whatsnew.msnw
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Can a "pastor" decide what other people should(n't

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Can a "pastor" decide what other people should(n't) do?

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 03 Mar 2004 08:37 Post subject: Can a "pastor" decide what other people should(n't quote I saw this sentence in a discussion: **Quote:** We had a boy and girl want to date here in Poland, so my dad said ok (he is the pastor), but no touching and stuff. Stuff like the sentence quoted above really make me wonder whatever happenned to freedom. It's one of the things that makes me critisize the churchical system as it has grown to be. I mean, here we have a "leader", calling himself a "pastor", deciding for other people when they should do what and I dsee nothing about people being guided by the Spirit. Personally I think this has nothing to do with people growing up to become spiritually adult, this has to do with running someone's life. Aren't we to be guided by the Spirit on a personal basis? Ofcourse, ONE corrects the OTHER, but should a socalled pastor (in fact the

commandeer) decide what other people should or shouldn't do?

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blaminack
Moderator

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Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 03 Mar 2004 12:53 Post subject: quote

I don't believe that a Pastor is in charge of such minute details, but I DO believe that is SUPPOSED to be a leader. MY Pastor, whose name is Don Shoots, has said recently that there are NO Shootites. In Other words we are only to follow Him as he follows Christ. Remember too that a Pastor should lead out in front and not from behind pushing and steering. I have asked my Pastor for direction many times. He always refered me back to the Bible in general and has never said that God has told him so and so... IT should be about example. I want to be like him in many ways as he has the most awesome relationship with God out of all the people that I know. Do I agree with every single word? No. How could I? He is a man like me. But he also has the added responsibility to pray for us (our fellowship) asking for direction and wisdom to lead us. Is there supposed to be a leader in the local section of the Body of Christ? Yes of course. Are we also responsilble to him in some ways? Yeah I think so. Is he the level of a priest or Pope, or some such thing? I don't see that as Biblical. He is given the responsibility to seek God on our behalf. He is given the job of preaching the Word and teaching us right Doctrine. Is he fallible? Yes of course.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 03 Mar 2004 23:11 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Personally I think this has nothing to do with people growing up to become spiritually adult, this has to do with running someone's life.

Simular to reasonings about rastafari. Do people who say " I follow rastafari" or who were alive during his reign; were they having their lives run by Haille Selassie? NO, they follow the teachings of Selassie and the way he pointed to CHRIST. **SEEN?**

Quote:

> Aren't we to be guided by the Spirit on a personal basis? Ofcourse, ONE corrects the OTHER, but should a socalled pastor (in fact the commander) decide what other people should or shouldn't do?

It is impossible for someone to "DECIDE" for somebody else what to do. It is always up to the individual to decide. How can you say it is the pastor. If the words that the pastor say don't line up with scripture then it is up to the believer to search it out in scripture.

If the pastor is off base with scripture then the congregation must rebuke and encourage with all authority. And make sure that this man does not try to spread heresies etc....

Unfortunately, this has been and will be a problem until CHRIST comes back to reign. Just like Aaron not stopping the worshipping of the calf while Moses was on the mountain.

It wasn't the golden calf itself that was bad; it was what was being done to/with the calf. I can have a golden calf in my living room it doesn't mean that I worship it.

Simular with a pastor. We have a pastor in our congregation but it doesn't mean we worship him. We can't say pastors are bad. It is those who are letting the words of man go before the word of GOD which are bad.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland- doing God's Will

Posted: 04 Mar 2004 00:41 Post subject: quote

Just to clarify that statement (didn't relize you all were so technical) it was ment as in a suggestion not declared, in which they didn't take. No man can make another man do any thing. An anoligy: On the side of a toothpaste tube you find it says "Do not eat.". Is it forcing you to do that or it a strong suggestion. Likewise my dad suggested not to mess around or it would just lead something worse. And besides they came to my dad and ask him what the best for them when dating. There is nothing wrong when someone ask the pastors opinion, infact it is wise because that's one of the duties of a pastor and a reason of him being there.

BTW as you noticed I check other forums so there is no need to hide something from me in a forum it has nothing related (nothing in your post is about rasta or ganja) to it. And you know what, do you think it really helps evangalism to rastas when a rasta comes into these forum and clicks this topic to sees you knit-pick at my statement? The PM is there for a reason. If you got a problem what i say, use the PM or write in the same topic as i wrote in. Thanks

Ryan

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 04 Mar 2004 07:11 Post subject: quote

Well Christ-Warrior, this is a discussion forum and thus one can choose to start a thread to discuss the spelling of "T H E" if they wanted to, it's their right. I'm a bit confused as to who used your words in this thread.. but onwards with my point.

One thing about pastors and leadership is that often times the congregation will agree with what the pastor says more often times than not which would make it SEEM as though the pastor's word is bond and to be taken as followed not guided.

Maturity both spiritually and mentally separates this line between leaders and followers and followers should become inspired leaders with their

own opinions teaching and sharing with others. Unfortunately with any kind of person in a leadership position they will be subject to controversy because opinions and facts overstep boundaries and become skewed. We have all seen instances where big well known pastors were misleading their congregations and disaster soon follows, so this topic is always a hot one among Christian circles at least.

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http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 04 Mar 2004 10:35 Post subject: quote

Give thanks for the replies!

I'll tell you a story that happenned in 1985. I was just on my way... We were together with a group of people. There was a "leader" and he started to sing in the tongues. I guess most of you know how that goes. He was fully "in the vibe" so to speak, hands up, eyes closed, you know. Then he said that everyone had to sing in the tongues. Nobody did it and he went ofcourse disturbed in his vibe. He then said "we" were all "disobedient" and even if he would have said a thing which was unbiblical, "we" would still have to do it because "he" was "appointed annointed" or something. Anyway, he said "we" were sinning against JAH because we did not "obey" an unbiblical commandment (You can't force people to sing in the tongues and you can not speak it without translation either and in essence this translation cannot be a prophecy either because the tongues are a language TO JAH and not From Jah to the people).

My father is a preacher (too, like some here are son of a preacherman). So I asked him what this ment. He showed me matthew 23. "Let no man call himself leader, teacher or father". I'll never forget this.

As far as i know this is closely related to what is called "shepherding". It's plain fascism/communism dressed up in an annointed sauce. Just like the toronto blessing hi level officials allways tell people that critique is a sin. So they dumb down the people, make them fit to obey instead

of fit to think for themselves.

Agreed?

Bill, I feel what you are saying. I might not feel comfortable in your particular church so to speak, but that doesn't say anything other then a cultural difference perhaps. Take the example I gave in the paragraph above this one. I am sure you would agree with me that this so-called leader did not follow the Lord in his actions. Not only is it unbiblical, the reason why Jah doesn't want it like this, is that the people would only learn to obey instead of learn to act. To know the pastor, reverend or whatever you call him is infallible and can only point you out to stuff that Jah Jah will confirm in a way you know, this is different then having a guru tell you when to breath and when to eat and touch.

Warrior, you're right:

> **Quote:**
>
> If the words that the pastor say don't line up with scripture then it is up to the believer to search it out in scripture.

Exactly. Ergo: each one must think for himself.

CW, there wasn't a mention of suggesting or advicing, there was a mention of someone saying: "ok but no touching and thing". So here we have the leader deciding this. Not suggesting. And even so, the original quote was merely used as an opener. I think everyone knows exactly what I refer to. I have no problem with you, I do have a strong disagreement with you. But this quote was not because of you. I just came across it and used it as an opener for my little poll.

I'm not hiding anything, I am ***posting***! After all, this is maybe not a Rastafarian reasoning but it surely is a Dreadfull Reasoning. It is also one of the things that you constantly hear Rastafarians speak about when it comes to Christianity and Rastafari and the relationship between the two. You ask what "a Rasta" would think if he would read this. I think that if "a Rasta" would read this, he would be happy to see things adressed which he also adresses.

But what do you mean with "technical"?

CP, right on. Especially the part in which you state that people have to

grow up in order to be able to share things with others, and even be used by JAH to share some of HIS teachings with others. Absolutely!

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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland- doing God's Will

Posted: 04 Mar 2004 11:02 Post subject: quote

CoolPete: I have nothing against people discussing what they want, just in the right forum. For example, would it be aproperate for someone to ask about Christafari in the Sherwin forum? So basicly i'm saying there are three places best to discuss this: 1) The topic the quote was made 2) In the aproperate forum for the question (in this case: the Bible Forum) and 3) Discuss one-on-one in PM. And as far as me being quoted was the first quote which i made in another topic.

Messian Dread: It ok to quote me, i don't care personally. What i ment by technical was that if i forget to write one word or i used a word that wasn't perfect in meaning (like i used the word church for congregation), it gets critized and everything. As far as posting it in the Rasta forum, i don't care, but personnally i think this topic would be more "suitible" in the Bible forum which is ment to discuss christain stuff.

Even thou i didn't write "suggested" in my original post I want you to understand i did mean that he suggested. But i understand now why you used my quote. And as far as what you are trying to get to, i agree that a pastor shouldn't force someone to do something, but.... the meaning of the word pastor is shepard. As the shepard of a flock (a congregation), if one (or more) is to go astry, he is to correct them and bring them back to the rest of the flock. It would better of an anoligy of not the pastor being the shepard, but rather the shepard's helpers and Jesus be the shepard.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Mar 2004 13:04 Post subject: quote

Quote:

As the shepard of a flock (a congregation), if one (or more) is to go astry, he is to correct them and bring them back to the rest of the flock.

This is what we all should do. The bible says: "if ANYONE sees A BROTHER (...)".

My point is, that a "pastor", or "reverend", or whatever you call him, does not have absolute authority over the "flock".

We all have to think for ourselves.

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 417 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:41 Post subject: Can Selassie forgive sins? quote This question is to those who continue to confuse Selassie with the Diety of Ye-sus the CHRIST. 1.Did Selassie heal and forgive people of their sins? 2.Did Selassie ever hear the thoughts of men in their very hearts? **Mark 2:5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."** **Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, THINKING to themselves, "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but GOD ALONE?" Immediately Jesus knew in HIS SPIRIT that this was what they were thinking in their HEARTS, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things?** We all know the end of this and the end of it all.....Yeshua is GOD and can/will forgive sins and has/does heal people. _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 22:50 Post subject: quote

WORRIOR

Yeshua is GOD

I GUESS HOW MANY CALL THEMSELVES RASTAS /CHRISTIAN..... UNDERSTAND THIS IS WHAT RAISES ALOT OF THIS CONTROVERSIES????

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 23:05 Post subject: quote

Wort,
No controversies intended. Just meditating on some scriptures and Jah showed (through the posted scripture) me that there was only one appearing of Himself in the flesh on earth and it was in Yesus.

Yet so many continue to adress bloodline issues and ethiopian ruler names etc.....to defend their beliefs in Selassie as any kind of diety.

It has been said on this forum that "a righteous man is Jah in the flesh".

Then can this righteous man forgive sins? Can this man heal any physical injury? NO!

Simple as that.

I am not talking to ras ta. Rasta and Christian just names.

I am talking to anyone who believes that Selassie was more than a man who followed Je-sus the Christ.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 00:01 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> **WORRIOR**
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> Yeshua is GOD
>
> I GUESS HOW MANY CALL THEMSELVES RASTAS /CHRISTIAN..... UNDERSTAND THIS IS WHAT RAISES ALOT OF THIS CONTROVERSIES????

Ofcourse not. Show me a Rasta that denies that Yesus Kristos is God and I will show you a false Rasta.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 00:17 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

> Show me a Rasta that denies that Yesus Kristos is God and I will show you a false Rasta.

Then why would anyone want to argue about it?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 00:20 Post subject: quote

Because they benefit from it.

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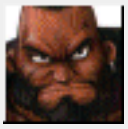

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 00:22 Post subject: quote

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> Because they benefit from it.

How?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 18:22 Post subject: quote

WORRIOR

Then can this righteous man forgive sins? Can this man heal any physical injury? NO!

THIS STILL DOESNT ADD ANY WEIGHT TO DISPUTE THE STATEMENT I GAVE THAT SAYS ANY RIGHTEOUS MAN IS JAH IN FLESH ANY WICKED MAN IS A DEVIL IN FLESH. IT ONLY GIVES THE STATEMENT THAT BRINGS DOWN A MESSENGER SEND BY JAH TO TEACH US HOW TO BE RIGHTEOUS & BECOME THE SONS OF JAH FROM THE SPIRIT.

BLESS!!

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 417 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 15 Oct 2004 18:37 Post subject: quote Wort, **Quote:** IT ONLY GIVES THE STATEMENT THAT BRINGS DOWN A MESSENGER SEND BY JAH TO TEACH US HOW TO BE RIGHTEOUS & BECOME THE SONS OF JAH FROM THE SPIRIT. OOHHH! Why didn't you say messenger of JAH? A MESSENGER of Jah in the flesh. I guess that is a little different than Jah in the flesh. Wouldn't you agree? _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 15 Oct 2004 18:44 Post subject: quote **WORRIOR** OKAY SO THE PASTORS & OTHER SO CALLED RIGHTEOUS SPIRITUAL HEALERS ARE DECIEVERS WHO CLAIM TO HAVE HEALED THE PHYSICALLY ILL??? ??? BLESS!!!

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 19:05 Post subject: quote

If you are sticking with this Jah in the flesh thing then lets's look at the fruit of Jah Spirit. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.

I don't see healing in this list. Anyways, the Glory goes to the Father not the "righteous man" who prayed to the Father. The healing is done by GOD himself. That is how Christ healed, because He is the only Jah in the flesh Yesus was/is the Father in the flesh. Look at the verse.... No man can hear the thoughts of men's hearts. Only GOD can hear the thoughts of men.

Eph 5:9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) Now in view of this scripture it is apparent that we see the fruit of Jah in men because of Jah Spirit. But it is not Jah himself in the flesh, because these same men still sin. It is a "messenger" of Jah or a clay pot.

Yesus was not a mere messenger. He is the one the message derives from.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 22:25 Post subject: quote

mm m "IM THE SON OF JAH & ANYONE WHO FOLLOWS ME WILL BE FOUND WORTHY TO BE CALLED THE SONS OF JAH MM M & then the manmade confusion comes out due to limited understanding!!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 00:43 Post subject: quote

JonaGus wrote:

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> > Because they benefit from it.
>
> How?

Emotionally.....

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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 10:11 Post subject: I always have wondered quote

Greetings all,

I am new to the forum, and am also somewhat new to learning about Rastafari, but am constantly enjoying the road to consciousness. I was raised as a Christian, and do believe that Yesus is the Son of JAH, but also cannot deny the spiritual significance of Selassie I. I have always wondered why is it that Christians get offended when one likens a man's spirituality to that of Yesus, but it was Yesus Himself who told his disciples that they will be endowed with the powers of JAH and be able to live righteous and do all works that He did during his time on earth. The whole point to becoming born again is to obtain a new heart and spirit and to be endowed with the Spirit of Jah, thus we too can be called the Sons of Jah. Yesus was sent as an intermediate so that we could have a personal relationship with the Almighty, and have His power. In having His Spirit we become like him. So why is it that Christians cannot accept the righteousness of any other man besides Christ when we are supposed to strive to be as righteous as Christ, and being born again, have His power to

be righteous? Yes Selassie was a man in flesh and blood, but as I understand him to be the King of Kings and such, his righteousness is the emblem of what we all should strive to be; for he himself was a follower of Christ, and it was the Christain church that bowed at his feet and aknowledeged him as King of Kings.
Selah and Jah Bless![/quote]

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 10:38 Post subject: quote

I think the answer to your question is that there are too much interests at stake before Rastafari meditations or even things related to Rastafari are being acknowledged here.

I mean, it's good money making over the back of millions of Christian Rastafarians because it is evangelical correct to state Rasta is a cult, outside of Christianity, enemies of Yesus, etc, because it keeps the "support" (money) going.

If some would acknowledge Rastafari for what it is then they would be labeled as Rastafarians too and, in the words of the inventor of Christafarianism, be "not thought of as a christian". With all the consequences.

I just have to look at the hostility I receive, basically for not wanting to diss Rastafari, in order to realize that this hostility is what Christafari wants to avoide for themselves. As long as it comes from the movement of Rastafari it looks good on the CV, because "my Lord got me on the frontline" or whatever, but when it would come from evangelical christianity this would make Christafari homeless and therefore changeless.

It's a sad sad story going on here, a true drama of which we can only guess the true consquences.

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Posted: 17 Oct 2004 10:40 Post subject: quote

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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 17 Oct 2004 13:04 Post subject: quote Nice way to point a seeker towards Christ, Jetze. You could have just allowed this person to see the Savior but no you had t o inject venom over your hatred of the people here. This is now your point of coming? To steer people away from Christ? Before I read this topic I replied to his other posting with out mentioned any thing negative about Rasta in one way or the other. I merely pointed him towards Selassie's teaching on the subject. Now tell me again about how you are out for Christ's Kingdom... This has become so shallow and transparent, that the intentions of Babylon are showing themselves for sure. For example since your essay at least one Rasta says that he will no longer be posting here. Please explain to me how that helps the dialogue between Rastas and Christians. Jetze, well done, I hope that the Kingdom is served well by your efforts.
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 16:18 Post subject: quote

I do not recall to have written something to someone who did not have found Christ allready.

This brother is asking why Christafarians (not Christians) put so much effort in denying every righteous and spiritual aspect of Selassie and before you start denying this happens I recall that I am summarizing the brothers words not stating my opinnion.

I am not proselyting Christians into Christafarians. I do not think that what you call "forwarding the Kingdom" or "leading people to Christ" so to speak is neccesatrily what is going on everytime a Christafarian talks to a Rastafarian. I think there is an attempt into making Christian Rastafarians into Christafarians. How otherwise should I intepretate the efforts to proselyte a Christian Rastafarian, or perhaps not even a Rastafarian, but "just" a Christian?

I'm not saying a Christafarian can not be a Christian and I am not saying a Rastafarian can not be a Christian. By trying to tell this to the Christafarians (because the Rastafarians allready know this) I am indeed forwarding the Kingdom of Christ for I am trying to unify Christians.

You say at at least one Rasta doesn't post here anymore and you ask how that is for the communication between Rastafari and Christianity and I say to that that there are many places where this communication is allready done.

Ofcourse you become angry and ofcourse you are starting to see that people actually read the essay and act accordingle, although I do not think I am the one who steered him away from ChristAFARI WEBSITE.

And you'tre probably gonna ban this dissident called messian dread for being obstructive to the kingdom of christ, but this is not about Christianity and Rastafari, this is about Christafarianism which calls Christian Rastas deceivers in public

yet in private admits that it is a misrepresentation of this Rastafrians faith.

And because Christafari explains every critique as an attack on Christianity (just like you do here) where it is most of the time a critique on Christafarianmism and often comes from brother Christians, it becomes a bit irritating when this is exposed all the time.

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blaminack
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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 17 Oct 2004 19:10 Post subject: quote

This is no longer about anything other than your own hate.

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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 19:40 Post subject: quote

Greetings once again.
First of all I would like to say that I am not a brother or brethren, I am a sista. Zauditu Sisay Abaynesh means "She is the crown, a blessing, like the river Nile being generous in life". No harm done, I just wanted to clear that up.
Secondly, I must say that I am very disappointed to see that this has become a battle between Christian, Rastafarians, and the so called "Christafarians" Whereas I do agree with MD that it is a shame and is ignorant for the Christafari to publically diss the Rasta but then secretly emrace the spiritual teaching, I do also agree that we all need to be united, as was the efforts of Selassie I. Sometimes I do not know what to call myself, because if I do embrace Rasta spirituality, I am condemned by Christians, but

am not Christafari at the same time because I openly acknowledge the spirituality of the Rasta while still Hailing Christ as the Son of God, my savior (as did Selassie I). I mean that I think Christians can learn alot from the dedication, sacrafice, and humbleness of Rastafarians. They are true to JAH and are true to thier worship. I admire their simplicity and rejection of all that is unrighteous, not compromising their inheritance or destiny as is so prevelant in the Christian churches. However, I also feel that because they have been oppressed by the church and by society, that they strive to seperate themselves. Why is it that we cannot all come together and recognize Christ as the Son, Selassie as a great spiritual leader (one endowed with the spirit of Jah), and Jah himself as the Almighty and Everlasting. the titles King of Kings and Lion of Judah etc, have been given to Christ yes, but also it must be recognized that these titles were given to the ruling and most respected and revered earthly kings of the time that they reigned. In other words, Jesus was called King of Kings because they mocked him by calling Him a king and he was the most revered at that time and was set high as the King of all Kings, to mean that He had gained the attention and reverance of the world more than Rome (who was the great power of the world during Christ's lifetime, and after the fall of Egpyt). So Christians do need to stop condemning Rasta for giving those titles and all spiritual reverance to Selassie (as they do also need to stop denying and stealing the rightful place of black people on a whole, whih I think is why the church has a problem with the whole "Selassie I being spiritual" thing anyway), as some Rases need to stop, taking the title King of Kings to mean that Selassie is GOD (his remains not being found could possibly be not because he was GOD but because it is an attempt to eventually erase him from history, as the church and in record of the King James version of the Bible attempts to do with the tribe of Judah and the Benjaminites which means "sons of the south" and thus Africa. I mean history has proven the long term effects of the church wiping black people completely off the record if they did anything good and/or powerful). To think that that title is just designated for GOD is to think like Babylon; For throughout

history, that title has been designated for the earthly king who has the whole world at his feet, or who is adored by the world. Therefore, I think as Selassie himself thought, for even though he left the education and advancement of women behind, I do embrace the belief that spirituality should not be mistaken to mean religion. Religion is the system, whereas spirituality is the relationship with the Amighty --- it is the very fabric of one's soul and it is this spirituality that I embrace and use to elivate myself to be joined with JAH. Shouldn't we all come togehter and do the same? Stop worrying about the labels that we give ourselves, and realize that in the end, the only thing that matters is that we love and serve JAH, through Christ (as examplified by Selassie I and his Empress), since Christ is the reason we are even allowed to have a personal one-to-one relationship with JAH again in the first place. So we all know that we do have differences, we need to get pass that. For in our focus on these difference, we have taken the focus of of who it really should be on, **THE ALMIGHTY** and **I AM**!

Selah and Jah Bless!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 20:56 Post subject: quote

Greetings Sistren,

> **Quote:**
>
> Why is it that we cannot all come together and recognize Christ as the Son, Selassie as a great spiritual leader (one endowed with the spirit of Jah), and Jah himself as the Almighty and Everlasting.

Because of Christafarianism which does not allow evangelical christians to do so.

Bill, My two questions to you are:

-1- Are there Rastafarians who do not believe Selassie to be Jah and who do believe in Yesus Kristos as their Lord and Savior?

-2- If the answer is no, then you know the many arguments including Mohr's admittance on this forum and in private email.

If the answer is yes, then my question is why do you work for an organization that claims Rastafarian Christians are deceivers and defend it, claiming that critique at Christafari is an attack against Christianity where it is proven that even the most extreme enemies of Christsfari do not even want to touch Christ but they also point out to Christafarianism as the reason for their extreme hostility?

I know you will not answer these questions. But your heart allready has.

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Posted: 17 Oct 2004 21:33 Post subject: quote

I have answered your questions in the other place that you posted them.

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Irie-in-Christ
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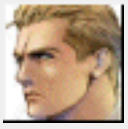

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Posted: 17 Oct 2004 21:46 Post subject: quote

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MD, are you sure that Christafari has a problem with believing Christ as the Son, Jah himself as the Almighty, and besides that, Selassie as a great spiritual leader?

I don't think they have a problem with this. So: the way you describe Christafari(anism), is it really true?

I don't have a problem with this, although you think I have and you have allready condemned me about this. And then you claim that I don't overstand you. But do you overstand me, and do you overstand Christafari? Because some things you say give the impression that you don't, while you claim that you do. Seen?

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Bless!
Jochem

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 22:36 Post subject: quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Sister, thank you for clearing the gender meaning for us. I agree with much of your post. Alot of that you had to say regarding the condemnation of folks is very timely. Please understand that the discussions here are not Christian vs. Rasta. And really that is exactly why I am so upset with this current situation. For me, it has never been about trying to fool people, condemn people, look down on people, or be hypocritical in my approach towards people. I would just like to see Christ lifted up! Period. If that became the point, then the debates would cease. Why? Christ said that if I am lifted up then all men will be drawn to me. That is all that I want. I am a Christian. Not Christafarian as MD talks about. I do not have Dreads. I do not go around using Iharic, or any of the other such things as a means to fit in etc. I am no Wolf in Sheeps Clothing. I have studied MUCH about Rasta faith and culture, and I too have much respect for much of their faith and lifestyle. I too see much that is off kilter in the Modern Church that needs correction.

A Rasta Sister once told me that I was trying to take away Rasta from her, and I told her that I was by no means looking to take anything from her, but rather that I was desiring to give her something instead. That is knowledge and a relationship with the same Christ that Selassie talked about. That is it for me. I am not about trying to tell people that they are on their way to hell either. God says that the goodness of God leads to repentance. I want to offer goodness.

No hypocracy, no two faced approach. Just godliness, and Christ.

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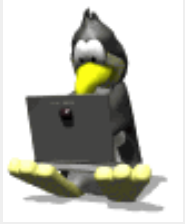
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1082 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 18 Oct 2004 05:56 Post subject: quote "Ire", can you tell me what made you realize that Selassie is a great spiritual leader annointed by the Holy Spirit and can you tell me what makes him such a spritual leader? Bill, I made my points in the other thread. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 09:34 Post subject: quote

Blaminack,
Greetings! All I really have to say is **AMEN**! through Christ we are told that we are elivated to reach the spiritual heights of the Almighty, and that is all that each one of us should desire. Obviously we are hungry for spiritual fulfillment, because if we weren't than we would not be here in this forum. What I do not understand is why so much emphasis is put on the name that we call ourselves (whether it be Rasta, Christain, or Christafari). (Sigh) When will we see that it is Babylon system that makes these categories and makes us slaves and targets of judgement (ie Babylon calling Rases beautiful, majestice, and enchanting locs ***DREADS***. Nothing **dread**ful about them, JAH HIMSELF told His people to wear them as a symbol of their heritage and destiny) to which ever one we choose to fall in to? Humanity has evolved to have a inquenchable lust for putting things and people into categories so that they can judge them by their name --- "if it is just me and JAH existing as one, then who can judge me?" Call me nothing more or nothing less than an earthly Empress (walking upright and gentle in spirit amungst my beloved brethren and hopefully one day my spiritual half that JAH has fashioned me from. While also Elevating the healing, consciousness, and respect within my sistren).
Call me nothing more or anything less than Zion's daughter.
Selah and JAH Bless!

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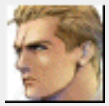

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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 11:41 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> "Ire", can you tell me what made you realize that Selassie is a great spiritual leader annointed by the Holy Spirit and can you tell me what makes him such a spritual leader?

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And the point here is that I don't have a problem with the fact that people see Selassie as a godly and anointed man, and at the same time believe Christ to be the Son and Jah the Almighty.

So now you want to know what made me see the spiritual significance of Selassie? Not the point! I said that I don't have a problem with people who do, and up till a certain point I myself have no problem with it. But that's not the point. The point is

that you acusse certain people of things they are NOT guilty of. And that is serious.

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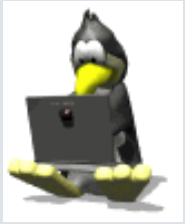

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 16:26 Post subject:

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You wonder why I don't see that people who call Rastafarian Christian deceivers Christians?

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Now when you say that you say something different how come I never see you doing so and that is why I ask Do *you* realize that Selassie is a great spiritual leader annointed by the Holy Spirit and can you tell me what makes him such a spritual leader?

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JonaGus
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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 19:26 Post subject: quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

> I mean that I think Christians can learn alot from the dedication, sacrafice, and humbleness of Rastafarians.... I admire their simplicity and rejection of all that is unrighteous, not compromising their inheritance or destiny as is so prevelant in the Christian churches.

I am a Christian, and I agree wholeheartedly.

Quote:

> Why is it that we cannot all come together and recognize Christ as the Son, Selassie as a great spiritual leader (one endowed with the spirit of Jah), and Jah himself as the Almighty and Everlasting.

There are many Christians and Rastas who already agree on this. I am a very traditional Christian, imbibing the nourishment of ancient Christian roots, and I consider his imperial majesty a great man of God. I have no qualms, as some Christians would, asking Emperor Haile Selassie to pray for me, for example.

But there seem to be other Christians who do not recognize Selassie as a great spiritual leader, and other Rastas who do not seem to acknowledge the unique and eternal Sonship of Christ. We shall see.

around, sister, and help us all to improve the conversation!

> **Quote:**
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I personally disagree with this very popular distinction. There is no spirituality without religion, and no religion without spirituality. The word "religion" has the same root as "rely." Originally it means to "bind fast," i.e. to bind oneself to God and not be separated. In other words, "religion" *is* about relationship.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies.
—Berhane Selassie

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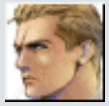
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 20:03 Post subject: quote

MD, your quote: "I do believe that it is seriously misleading for a Christian to call themselves a "Rasta"

When Mark says this, it doesn't mean that he has a difficulty with people that see spiritual significance in selassie, and at the same time believe in Jesus as the Son and Jah as the Almighty. So what's your point????

You whole last post doesn't make any sense. You isolate certain things that have been said. What about this one from Mark (that I don't hear you about):

"Well the way that I see it, Christians and Rastas come in agreement in a lot of areas, as do Christians and Mormons, Jehovah witnesses and Catholics. But those are usually the minor issues. The foundation, or roots of any religion usually consists of the answer to the following question: "Who is God?"
Christians believe (albeit in a Triune God) that Christ is Lord. Many (not all) rastas agree with the doctrinal statement of the "Ethiopian World Federation," "We now declare again H.I.M. Haile Selassie is Christ the Son, Jehovah the Father united through the Spirit to bring to man the fullness of the Holy Trinity."

I once heard of a place called the "Temple of a thousand Buddhas". You can actually go there and choose the type of God whom you worship. Similar to this are the various beliefs that Rastas hold towards Selassie. In this faith there are different degrees of divinity attributed to Rastafari by his followers. Given this lack of structure, you can literally choose which type of godhead you serve. And there is a surprisingly great amount of tolerance amongst Rastas that hold contrasting opinions regarding this matter. Here are a few of the views on Selassie that I have come across in meeting with Rastafarians over the past 15 years:

1. He is God Almighty, the Father seated on His Throne).

2. He is Christ in His second advent.

3. He is Christ in the 1 & 1/2 coming, but has not returned for His second coming yet.

4. He is the reincarnation of Jesus Christ.

5. He is literally Christ in His kingly character. A Kingly representation of the Jesus found in the scriptures.

6. He is a representation of Christ in His kingly character. He is not God, but is Christ-like in his role of king, similar to king David and Solomon. "The Spirit of Jesus Christ is manifest in the person of Haile Selassie I".

7. He is a godly man who has God inside of him the same way that all believers do; through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. He is not God.

8. He is a great prophet and should be revered as such.

9. He is a venerated saint that can be prayed to, but is not the Almighty God. He is a representative of Christ and a mediator between God and man.

The former nine different belief systems do not even begin to represent the fragmented faith of Rastafari and don't even scratch the doctine of other sects such as the Bobo Shantis. There is no united front, no agreed upon doctrinal statement. I guess that given this knotted up ball of string, when I say "Rastafarian," I am usually thinking of the Ethiopian World Union's Definition, while keeping in mind that there are twelve tribers and others like yourself that differ in views.

Again, I love Rastas, and mean no disrespect--My whole desire is for others to see Christ as the Bible clearly portrays Him--Lord of all"

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But you give, by your essay and by your posts, people the impression that Mark (and me too for that matter) don't know that there are different houses within rastafari.

Again: you judge people of things which are not completely true. You isolate certain quotes, without mentioning for example the words above. By this you give people a wrong overstanding.

And again, we were talking about having or not having a problem with some spiritual significance of selassie, besides Jesus and the Almighty. So you're missing the point, no matter how much you try to deny this.

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Bless!

Jochem

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Posted: 18 Oct 2004 20:34 Post subject: quote

Jonagus,

Greetings! Religion comes from the root word to "bind to", as in to bind to ones beliefs and practices, not to bind to GOD. There are many "religions" out there that do not even acknowledge GOD, but beause they do not, no one can say that they are not a religion. Even what as become to be known as Voodoo is classified as a religion (though subclassified as a cult). A better example: Rasta's generally are not sen as Christians, and Christians certainly are not seen as Rasta's. In the end, they both serve the same JAH, but are classified as two distinct religions. therefore, if your definition of religion was to stand, then they would be categorized to be under the *same* religion (which we all know, they are not).

It is funny that this came up though, because some Christians believe that Christianity is the only religion that truly exists, when it is not so. I was just discussing this same subject with a friend a few weeks ago.

However, I do agree that one uses their religion to usher in a spiritual relationship with whatever higherbeing they worship; the problem is that it sometimes distracts focus away from this same relationship because people get caught up on what is the right and wrong way to do things. This is why there are so many different denominations in the church and so many different practices even among Rases. So in the end it is *who* you are worshiping and *the strength* of your spiritual relationship that counts. that's all I am trying to say.

Directed to all : On another note, thanks for all of the knowledge and love that I have been shown in this forum thus far. I am sure that if I stay long enough I will put forth some things that will be debated and/or proven wrong. But that is ok, I am here to learn, besides, the Bible does instruct us to not argue over things, but to enlighten one another. So please, I ask all not to take it to heart if I respectfully disagree at times; And if I am truly wrong, I humbly request that all help to open my eyes that I may see.

Selah and JAH Bless!

Oh wait! I have another question. If many Christians believe that Christ was there even in the beginning, and they believe him to apear many time in the old Testiment before he appeared on earth as a man, then why would there be a problem with them believing that He can do they same today? Did He say somewhere that He (Christ) will no longer be doing that? If He did not, then *could it be possible* that Selassie is Christ reincarnate (a fleshly being , not in all of His glory, so that we can physically see the menifestation of His Spirit)? I myself need much direction on this and would like to hear what all think because this requires deep meditation for me and I would therefore like to have much to ponder.

Until we comune again,
Your sister

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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 20:40 Post subject: A bit off of the topic quote

Greetigs again,
I would just like for all to keep me in their prayers and meditations for I am suffering from some serious sinus headaches. The weather is changing and becoming cold, and since I am from Bermuda which has a tropical climate, my head does not know how to deal with the cold weather and much pressure and fluid builds up. I do not like to take chemical medications, but I do firmly believe in prayer. Also, if any may know of herb(s) that may help, it would be greatly appreciated.

Your sista

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 483 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 18 Oct 2004 20:55 Post subject: quote **Irie-in-Christ wrote:** I once heard of a place called the "Temple of a thousand Buddhas". You can actually go there and choose the type of God whom you worship. Just for clarification, as before: Buddhists do *not* worship the Buddha in the same sense that Christians adore the holy Trinity, because the Buddha told his disciples to follow his teaching rather than himself. Buddhas and bodhisattvas are highly revered in some forms of Buddhism, but they are not regarded as gods in the same sense that we Christians adore YHWH. **Quote:** The former nine different belief systems do not even begin to represent the fragmented faith of Rastafari I think it is probably a mistake to regard, treat, or speak about Rastafari as a single, unified religion. Clearly different Rastas have different doctrines. **Quote:** I guess that given this knotted up ball of string, when I say "Rastafarian," I am usually thinking of the Ethiopian World Union's Definition, while keeping in mind that there are twelve tribers and others like yourself that differ in views.

I hope you will forgive me saying that I don't think that's really good enough, with clarity and justice at stake. Other people *won't know* that when you say "Rastafarian," you are usually thinking of the Ethiopian World Union's Definition, while keeping in mind that there are other Rasta groups. They will not know what you mean unless you tell them.

Quote:

> But you give, by your essay and by your posts, people the impression that Mark (and me too for that matter) don't know that there are different houses within rastafari.

Apparently *Mohr* gives people that impression himself. Many Rastas have told us so.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 23:53 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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I know of no Scripture that would indicate such an event, on the other hand we know that God is sovreign and such a thing would not be out of His power. I firmly believe that after Christ came the revelation of what God was going to do until His return has been fully shown in Scripture. Consider this verse...

Act 1:9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.
Act 1:10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;
Act 1:11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 00:32 Post subject:

quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

> Religion comes from the root word to "bind to", as in to bind to ones beliefs and practices, not to bind to GOD.

No, in the case of religions which believe in a personal God (e.g. Judaism, Christianity, some forms of Hinduism, etc.) it the god(s) to which the people consider themselves bound. The doctrines, practices, and ways of worship are regarded as the ties that bind the relationship, not the subject to whom they are bound.

Quote:

> There are many "religions" out there that do not even acknowledge GOD, but beause they do not, no one can say that they are not a religion.

Actually, this point is disputed among theologians and philosophers all the time. Is Taoism a religion or a philosophy? Buddhism? Atheism? Etc.

Quote:

> Rasta's generally are not sen as Christians, and Christians certainly are not seen as Rasta's.

This is a bit too black-and-white, given the ongoing discussion here. I would say that many Rastas are Christians.

Quote:

> In the end, they both serve the same JAH, but are classified as two distinct religions.

Sometimes yes, sometimes no.

Quote:

> some Christians believe that Christianity is the only religion that truly exists

I cannot even imagine what they might mean by that!

Quote:

> So in the end it is *who* you are worshiping and *the strength* of your spiritual relationship that counts.

I would suggest that *how* you worship also matters. After all, it cannot be good to worship the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, no matter how fervent your intentions, with the gift of child sacrifice. YHWH just isn't down with that. So *how* is also important with *who* and *how much*

Quote:

> I am sure that if I stay long enough I will put forth some things that will be debated and/or proven wrong.

The same goes for all of us, of course. Welcome, sister. We want you here, even when we all disagree among ourselves.

Quote:

> I ask all not to take it to heart if I respectfully disagree at times

I assure you I will not take it personally. I hope you will not either.

Quote:

> If many Christians believe that Christ was there even in the beginning, and they believe him to apear many time in the old Testiment before he appeared on earth as a man, then why would there be a problem with them believing that He can do they same today?

Actually, I do believe that Y'shua "appears" to some people from time to time and in various ways, much like he appeared to Sha'ul (Paul) on the road to Damascus.

But because Y'shua, the Word of God, has already appeared among us and established his people, we await no further public revelation. Jah has already revealed himself through his Incarnation.

> **Quote:**
>
> *could it be possible* that Selassie is Christ reincarnate

Y'shua will return as he left (Acts 1:11), and every eye will see him (Revelation 1:7). Y'shua is already incarnate, having a resurrected and glorified human body. If his body is separated from him, he is no longer alive, but dead. Christians cannot accept that: He *is* risen. So there will be no "reincarnation."

Furthermore, his imperial majesty Haile Selassie clearly called Y'shua his "Creator." The blessed emperor is, like you and me, a creature, not Jah.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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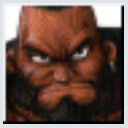

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 00:40 Post subject: Re: A bit off of the topic

quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

> I would just like for all to keep me in their prayers and meditations for I am suffering from some serious sinus headaches.

As someone with bad sinuses, I can sympathize, sister. I will pray for you. But remember the good words of the scripture:

"Hold the physician in honor, for he is essential to you, and God it was who established his profession. From God the doctor has his wisdom... His knowledge makes the doctor distinguished, and gives him access to those in authority. God makes the earth yield healing herbs which the prudent man should not neglect; Was not the water sweetened by a twig that men might learn his power? He endows men with the knowledge to glory in his mighty works, through which the doctor eases pain and the druggist prepares his medicines; thus God's creative work continues without cease in its efficacy on the surface of the earth. My son, when you are ill, delay not, but pray to God, who will heal you: Flee wickedness; let your hands be just, cleanse your heart of every sin; Offer your sweet-smelling oblation and petition, a rich offering according to your means. Then give the doctor his place lest he leave; for you need him too. There are times that give him an advantage, and he too beseeches God that his diagnosis may be correct and his treatment bring about a cure. He who is a sinner toward his Maker will be defiant toward the doctor." (Sirach 38:1-15)

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1082
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 01:00 Post subject: quote

I think that when you one time more tells me you are not a Christafarian where all you do is defending "Mark" I am really going to ignore you for the rest of my life. Which I am about to anyway.

You are seriously confused, so focused on getting your point through, and what is your point? "don't tease each other".

As I told you in private, you didn't care and you go now further stalking me in public, with your quest for correctness.

All you do is posting "can selassie forgive sins?" and "is selassie good or bad" and that is about all you can say about Selassie. If I ask you what spiritual significance YOU see in Rastafari, for you use the colours of RASTAFARI and YESEHAQ's name where your "teaching" is contrary to everything Yesehaq and the African Tricolour stands for, you say that that is not the point.

Indeed.

You havbe no point in that.

Yet you steal Rastafarian cultural expressions, just like all the Christafarians, it looks nice huh? Exotic....

> **Irie-in-Christ wrote:**
>
> MD, your quote: "I do believe that it is seriously misleading for a Christian to call themselves a "Rasta"
>
> When Mark says this, it doesn't mean that he has a difficulty with people that see spiritual significance in selassie, and at the same time believe in Jesus as the Son and Jah as the Almighty. So what's your point????

My point is that you are defending Mark Mohr with a lie. My point is that Mark Mohr denies that there are Christian Rastafarians because he says it is misleading for a Christian to call himself a Rasta. Is it misleading for a Rastafarian Christian to call himself a Rasta? Is it misleading for a Plestinian Christian to call himself a

Palestinian? Now when you do not understand this you are lozt.

But because of your constantly stalking me (very inpolite) I think you prefectly understand what I mean and you only want to make me mad. So I am going to ignore you, regardless of what you say.

You can shout whatever you want, defend Mark Mohr as much as you want, feel "irie in christafarianism" as much as you want, use the name of people whose teaching you do not even know ass much as you want, wreite me everytime a Rasta attacks you with questions how that can be as much as you want, I wanted you moinths ago for things happening with you and for your very eyes and all you want to do is get the point.

Here is my point.

I think that the fact that your faith because of your behaviour has become a public mockery within some Rastafarian circles is a discgrace for the Gospel of Kristos.

But go ahead, feel correct. You've lozt me.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 05:16 Post subject: quote

Jonasgus,
Personally I think that it is more than a bit arrogant for theologens to say that if there is no worship of GOD then it is not a religion. The very definition of a religion is "**1a.** Belief and reverance for a supernatural power or powers regarded as creator or govenor of the universe. **b.** A personal or institutionalized system grounded in such belief."

So as I said before, it is the system by which you may gain the spiritual relationship. BUT It is often used as a means of enslavement, brutality, and condemnation towards others (and even people within the system).
And I know that some Rases are seen as Christians and that is why I used the word generally in my statement, and maybe I just have to wait and experience more, but I know of no Christians that would call themsleves Rasta.

I also do belive that it is how you worship that counts. JAH himself set the guidlines for wha tis and is not accepted. But why I say that it in the end it is the strength of the spiritual relationship that counts, is because if the relationship is strong, then JAH will guide you as to how to worship. So, with added strength comes more wisdom on how to worship. Furthermore, if you have a relationship with HIM your spirits are connected and thus, HE moves you in a way of acceptable worship and adoration. that's one of the things I love most about HIM. He has accepted me as HIS own and has blessed me with the down-pouring of HIS Spirit. I have sinned, and at times still do fall into sin, but of one thing I am sure --- there is NO BETTER feeling or satisfaction than the move of HIS Spirit.

Til' we comune again, Selah and JAH Bless

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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 12
Location: MD

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 05:38 Post subject: quote

Also Jonasgus and everyone else, I have nothing against doctors, but I am sure that you are aware of all of the bad politicing, curruption, and tings that are going on with physicians and the drug companies. So, it is wise to step back and take heed of what they are saying and the care that they are giving you.
Did you hear about the 40 pharmaceutical companies that gives the primary source of medication to AIDS patients. Well, they filed a lwsuit against the government of South Africa because, under the leadership of Nelson Mandela, they allowed generic forms of their drugs to treat their people because they could not afford the expensive drugs. Well, dem all did a chat some passa passa ting bout how they were fighting for "intellectual property rights" since it was their scientists that made the medications and they are the ones who sign their paychecks. **REDICULOUS!!!!!!!** How someone is going to patent life-sustaining and life-saving medications, so that no one else can produce them, and if one cannot afford them they die!!!!!!!!! I am sure that JAH did not give them the guidance and power to do them type of things to people! Kuyah, that's why Rasta rightfully a chant sey we fi "BUN DOWN BABYLON"

JAH Bless
ps sorry of the inserts of patio. I slip up like that whnever I get upset.

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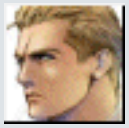
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 07:00 Post subject: enough quote

MD, it is clear now for me: when someone else criticizes you (or believes of certain rastafarians), they are so wrong and their only motive is a quest for their own right. But when you have your quest and criticize others, then it is all ok. I know enough.

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Bless!

Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 103 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 19 Oct 2004 07:03 Post subject: quote Jonagus said: **Quote:** Irie-in-Christ wrote: I once heard of a place called the "Temple of a thousand Buddhas". You can actually go there and choose the type of God whom you worship. Jonagus, I never said that. That was someone else _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 118
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 15:24 Post subject: quote

fiyah bun all babylon medicine except for extreme life-threatening cases where expertise is needed over practical wisdom. all medicinal knowledge was stolen out of Afreeca by ones who are very ignorant of how deh temple works. dis is why in dese times western doctors say dem "practice" medicine, because dem have yet to master it. deh body is a perfect machine dat works off of equilibrium and deh I-mmune system, which is deh body's protector against all foreign substances. even Emmanuel said "physician heal thyself" because deh saying goes from anciency dat anyone over deh age of 30 who cannot heal demselves is an idiot.

western medicine only addresses deh symptoms not deh root of any sickness. sickness is dis-ease, meaning deh body is using deh state of sickness to restore homeostasis to deh temple. example is a sprained ankle which causes deh ankle to become stiff and inflexible. we tek dis as "my ankle is sprained" but deh body immobilizes it to protect it from further harm and for general repair. as conscious Christians & Rases it is Ini duty to protect Ini existence pon Mama I-rth everyliving moment of creation, so Ini mus not bow to babylonian medicine in any form or fashion becasue how can deh downpressor in essence really and genuinely help deh ones whom dem downpress?

for every sickness pon I-ration dere isa I-tal remedy to counteract deh condition and return health to where it should be. Sistren Zauditu for deh I's sinuses chop up onions and boil wid spring water. deh longer deh I steeps deh onions deh stronger deh remedy will be. you can add honey to taste but it is better to leave as is so dat you can start to recognize deh tastes of Jah's infinite wisdom of His medicinal plant kingdom. if unu sinuses are draining add some lemon(peel and flesh) to deh above mixture and watch how quickly deh I starts to spit up phlem and mucas. above all other advice, please refrain from all animal flesh, dairy and even plant milks such as nut milks and soy milks becasue dey are still mucas producing. rule of thumb is 1oz. of water for every

two pounds deh I dem weigh, to aid deh body in flushing out toxins through deh bowels. dis and plenty of fruit juice, espicially citrus for deh I sinuses becasue it is an expectorant.

Give Thanks fi Jah's creation because in reality it is all Ini need-
Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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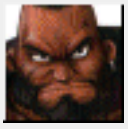
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 16:17 Post subject: quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

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I understand what you are saying about the "arrogant theologians," but consider the point carefully. Taoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism do not necessarily acknowledge the existence of any divine being or beings (though each *can*, it is not necessarily an essential tenet of any of them). Are they religions? Not according to the definition you posted, because they do not necessarily have "such belief" in "a supernatural power or powers regarded as creator or governor of the universe."

In spite of that definition, I personally do tend to regard those as religions, though not in the same sense that Judaism, Christianity, and Islam are. But if you include Taoism and Buddhism among religions, you have a hard time drawing the line before atheism, which insists it is not a religion.

All I'm saying is: the question is complicated.

Quote:

> So as I said before, it is the system by which you may gain the spiritual relationship.

I still maintain my original point. For the religions which acknowledge personal deities (e.g. Judaism, Christianity, Islam, some forms of Hinduism, etc.) the term "religion" represents the whole way of life and is inseparable from "spirituality."

Quote:

> BUT It is often used as a means of enslavement, brutality, and condemnation towards others (and even people within the system).

Yes. This is, of course, forbidden within some religions, like Judaism and Christianity, and is regarded as a horrific sin.

Quote:

> I know of no Christians that would call themsleves Rasta.

Well, I regard Twelve Tribesman Karl Naphtali Phillpotts as a Christian, and he calls himself a Rasta.

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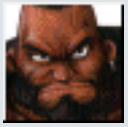

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 16:18 Post subject: quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

> Also Jonasgus and everyone else, I have nothing against doctors

I didn't mean to imply that you did, sister, and I am sorry if it sounded that way. I just mean that if you need one, please see one!

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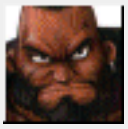

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 16:20 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Jonagus said:
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> **Quote:**
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> > I once heard of a place called the "Temple of a thousand Buddhas". You can actually go there and choose the type of God whom you worship.
>
> Jonagus, I never said that. That was someone else

It was a direct quote from your post on page 4. If you were quoting someone else, that was unclear.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 426
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 16:38 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread,

Quote:

> All you do is posting "can selassie forgive sins?" and "is selassie good or bad" and that is about all you can say about Selassie.

Don't blame/accuse Irie-in-Christ for all posts. I want to hear the reasonings on Selassie and why so many hold him so highly. That is why I postered "can Selassie forgive sins?".

perfectloveinH.I.M. and simular people who post with like reasonings/thoughts are who this is dircted to. I really want to know if Selassie ever claimed to forgive sins or heal blind and lame people?

As far as I know he didn't.

The answer is pretty simple, it is soooo frustrating to hear blam blam boom boom fiyah bun etc.....

I want a simple answer, did Selassie ever say he could forgive sins? Did he ever heal a man by telling him to get up and walk?

Yes or no.

But just as always there will not be a yes or no answer.

The answer is no (from what I know) and to admit this would mean any diety that someone thinks Selassie held/was would be deminished.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1088
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:03 Post subject: quote

Okay I stand corrected on the issue of identifying the original poster of this thread. Not a big thing, his profile is a pick-your-choice list anyway I said enough about that.

The reason why your question, warrior, is not answered is the same as the reason why my questions remain unanswered.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari
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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 426
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:11 Post subject: quote

Messian,

> **Quote:**
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> You want to show that Selassie can not be Jah and that is why no body answers this question.

Is it wrong for me to do this? I really just want anybody who doesn't/hasn't come to "know" Yesus to tell their reasons for believing otherwise without a rabbit trail.

I do not think what you are "exposing" is wrong. I may not agree with all your information (but that is from lack of knowledge and ignorance of many issues) but I would never call it wrong. I am learning each day and I have grown in many ways even by reasoning on this very site.

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 426 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:13 Post subject: quote I can't edit or I would. I was talking about my own ignorance and lack of knowledge in the above post. (Just wanted to be clear.) _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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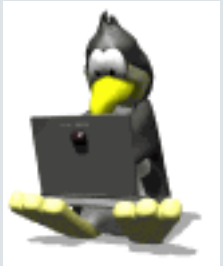
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1090 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:24 Post subject: quote **warrior wrote:** Messian, **Quote:** You want to show that Selassie can not be Jah and that is why no body answers this question. Is it wrong for me to do this? I am only explaining it, not critisizing it per se. Just saying that maybe from a different side but I experience the same thing. It is a thing of which you can also draw your conclusions. That's how I deal with it if I engage it. No offense stricktly sense.

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More or less what I stated but in your words.....

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 118
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:39 Post subject: quote

warrior if yuh waan ask Ini a question jes direct it towards Ini, seen. of deh overwhelming amount of Haile Selassie I utterances dat Ini have, Ini can say wid no apology dat Ini have yet to find where H.I.M. personally forgave a ones transgressions or sins. in deh same vein, Ini have yet to see documented where one came before His Imperial Majesty and requested forgiveness for sins, so it is not an issue. even better yet not one living person has gone before Emmanuel deh Christ in deh flesh and asked for forgiveness yet ones acept what was written before dem. in revelations, individual forgiveness is not an issue, individual repentence is at dis time written in dehearts of men. when Ini pray to JahAlmighty, Ini com through deh most majestic name of Haile Selassie I, simply saying dat Ini acknowledge who Jah is and how He has revealed H.I.M.self unto Ini in dese times. for ones who really are clueless, all powahs dat deh I delegate unto Yeshua, Ini deh sons of Negus ascribe unto H.I.M. as Elected by Jah.

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Forum Veteran

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Posts: 426
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:54 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M.

Quote:

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Don't you do the very same thing? :wink:The Kebra etc.....

Nevermind,that's besides the point.

Thanks for responding. And next time I will direct it to you if in fact it is for you.

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Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh

Joined: 17 Oct 2004
Posts: 18
Location: MD

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 21:20 Post subject: quote

JonaGus,

I see now that our debate on the seperateness of religion and spirituality has some common ground but is simply seen from different perspectives. No right or wrong, just differnt points of knowledge, coming together to make complete wisdom. **Bless Up**!

perfectloveinH.I.M.,

thanks for the remedies, I will certainly be trying them out. I will also be sure to pray or meditate while I partake of them, thus permitting JAH to open my senses with the powers of the earth that HE has so graciously given to me. (I really do try to eat natural and healthy things but I have an indulging weakness for cheesecake! I guess no more of that then) Also I would like to say that I have been following your posts and am refreshed by your insight. Keep posting, as I and others can learn much from your blessed wisdom. **Respect!**

everyone,

Has anyone actually been to the land where Selassie has trodded and reigned? I mean, I am learning so much that I now have a deep desire to walk the land and see where The ALMIGHTY Himself elected to first place man. If it is beautiful enough for HIM to have planted mankind's feet there, I am sure it is beauiful enough for me to at *least* visit.

Til we commune again,
Selah and JAH Bless

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 22:45 Post subject: quote

Zauditu_Sisay_Abaynesh wrote:

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This is one of my life's goals, too. At the same time, I hope to visit the Monastery of St. Catherine on Mt. Sinai.

I do not know what is causing your sinus problems, sister, but if you have allergies or frequent sinus irritation like I have, I highly recommend regular nasal irrigation. Pharmacies carry squeeze bottles or charged cannisters of saline for this purpose, but you could also do it in a more traditional fashion with a *neti* pot. You can often find *neti* pots at organic grocers and holistic health stores, if you have any in your area, but they are also available online.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1932
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 00:02 Post subject: quote

I believe that Ras B spent a certain amount of time in Ethiopia, and Africa in general.... I don't know how long or when or the circumstances.

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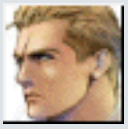

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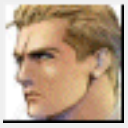

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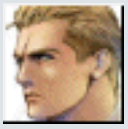

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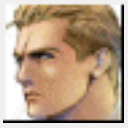

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Christafari Interview

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Author	Message
MarkMohr Current Christafari Band Member Joined: 28 Nov 2001 Posts: 122 Location: LA, CA, USA	Posted: 27 Sep 2004 08:43 Post subject: Christafari Interview quote Hey guys, here are some questions that I just answered for an interview in Brazil. Blessings, Mark Mohr _____ First , we would be so much thankful it you sent us about 10 exclusive photos of the band. INTERVIEW 1. How and when did this ministery begin? I started Christafari in 1989 at the talent show at a Christian camp. 2. Is the first direction of God He gave the band the same as today? Yes, reach the world (both the lost and the church) with reggae music and the message of salvation in Christ. 3. You were already compared to Bob Marley, what do you think about it? While I am honored by the comparison as he was a musical genius and an incredible songwriter, but we both have different spirits and worship different Gods. I serve the true Lord Jesus Christ. He worshipped Ras Tafari

4. How do you deal with a kind of “fame” that came to this ministery through the very good quality sound you show and have.
Fame is all in the mind. God does a good job of keeping me humble.

5. Which are the best “results” of your job you’ve seen?
Seeing people come to Christ at each concert. That is why we do this! I just got an e-mail from a fan that came to Christ through our website. I was really encouraged.

6. We know Mark is the band leader and a pastor too, how are the compositions prepared, I mean, working with music and word of God at the some time?
When I write my songs, the lyrics naturally come from the Word of God because I try to read the Bible every day. As for the music, I hear it in my mind and tell the band members exactly what to play.

7. How have you Kept people that have given their soul to Jesus during the concerts or other events?
We try and partner up with the church or ministry that we are working with at each concert for follow up and we really encourage all new believers to be baptized, find a church and get discipled. But ultimately, as salvation is of the Lord, so is follow-up. God said "He who began a good work in you will carry it to completion." (Phil 1:6) I trust God to carry this person to where they need to be as we often times have to disappear as Phillip did with the Ethiopian Eunich in order to catch our plane and fly off to the next concert in the next country.

8. Please, answer this question carefully, showly and caressly:
WHEN WILL YOU COME TO B-R-A-Z-I-L ????????

Thanks for your e-mail and your desire to see Christafari play in Brazil. Believe it or not, this is the most common question that we are asked in e-mails and we have had many promoters try to bring us out, but all have failed. Although we hope to be in your area this year (or next) in promotion of our new "Gravity" album, regrettably, we are not the ones who arbitrarily decide each destination for the next Christafari tour. That

is up to the promoters. We try every booking lead in every state and country that we can get our hands on. But the promoters that are willing to commit to bringing us out are the ones who ultimately decide where we go. Once this is worked out, we can fill out a few dates in-between, but that's about all. It is sad, but some of the places that we want to tour the most (like Brazil) we have never been to.

But if you really want is to come out to your area, there are three things that you can do:

1. Pray that God provides a way for us to come.

2. Be a representative of our band in your region. Push and promote our music--the more interest you can cause in Christafari the better.

3. Contact local promoters, churches, pastors, festivals, and large musical events and strongly encourage them to book Christafari--Your average promoter simply supplies what the people demand.

4. Send as many e-mails as you can to our distribution company Buena Vista Films telling them that you want them to bring us out. They are our greatest chance in a having a succesful tour. Over all, any help that you could give us in getting a show in your area would be greatly appreciated. You can reach our booking office via this e-mail address or by calling (310) 539-2539. And If you want to keep up to date with Christafari and Lion of Zion and find out when we are going to be performing in your area, go to our website at http://www.lionofzion.com/ and join our e-mail list so that we can send you occasional updates regarding our ministry and future releases (don't worry, your e-mail address is secure—we will NOT share our list with others).

9. Leave a message for those who enjoy reggae music and whether know more about Jesus.

Reggae is great music, but it is simply a tool. All music was created to give God the glory and ultimately lead you to salvation in Christ alone. Seek first His kingdom. Read your Bible Daily!

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Selecta1Love

Joined: 31 Aug 2002
Posts: 32

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 17:55 Post subject: Question regarding a response

quote

Mark a wha gwan king!!!

Wonderful interview. I have a quesiton about one of your responses.

> **Quote:**
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What you said was a true statement. Bob did worship Sellasie but isn't it also documented that he converted to christianity before his death? I understand the distinction you are making between the Christianity and Rasta. I guess from my perspective it kinda makes Hallie Sellasie look that he made himself a deity which emphatically claimed he wasn't. It also only gives half the story on Bob if it is true that he converted to Christianity.

Have you ever in an interview share your perspective on Bob and his "conversion"?

Would love to hear your thoughts and perspective.

Bless,

DJ Links (formerly known as Selecta 1Love)

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MarkMohr
Current Christafari Band Member

Joined: 28 Nov 2001
Posts: 122
Location: LA, CA, USA

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 01:07 Post subject: quote

Yes, I do believe that Bob Accepted Christ a few months prior to his death. But the interviewer was making a comparison to my music with Bob's. Besides his tremendous talent, the main difference in my opinion is the Spirit. While Bob did confess Christ prior to his death, he never made any recordings that were produced post conversion. So I was merely comparing my music to his post conversion music (the only that we have on record).
Blessings
Mark

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 01:49 Post subject: quote

I am also holding from this among other things that you still hold the position that there is the Rastafarian believe system as opposed to the Christian believe system ("neither the wain shall meet")?

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Posted: 08 Oct 2004 19:38 Post subject: quote

Well the way that I see it, Christians and Rastas come in agreement in a lot of areas, as do Christians and Mormons, Jehovah witnesses and Catholics. But those are usually the minor issues. The foundation, or roots of any religion usually consists of the answer to the following question: "Who is God?"
Christians believe (albeit in a Triune God) that Christ is Lord. Many (not all) rastas agree with the doctrinal statement of the "Ethiopian World Federation," "We now declare again H.I.M. Haile Selassie is Christ the Son, Jehovah the Father united through the Spirit to bring to man the fullness of the Holy Trinity."

I once heard of a place called the "Temple of a thousand Buddhas". You can actually go there and choose the type of God whom you worship. Similar to this are the various beliefs that Rastas hold towards Selassie. In this faith there are different degrees of divinity attributed to Rastafari by his followers. Given this lack of structure, you can literally choose which type of godhead you serve. And there is a surprisingly great amount of tolerance amongst Rastas that hold contrasting opinions regarding this matter. Here are a few of the views on Selassie that I have come across in meeting with Rastafarians over the past 15 years:

1. He is God Almighty, the Father seated on His Throne).

2. He is Christ in His second advent.

3. He is Christ in the 1 & 1/2 coming, but has not returned for His second coming yet.

4. He is the reincarnation of Jesus Christ.

5. He is literally Christ in His kingly character. A Kingly representation of the Jesus found in the scriptures.

6. He is a representation of Christ in His kingly character. He is not God, but is Christ-like in his role of king, similar to king David and Solomon. "The Spirit of Jesus Christ is manifest in the person of Haile Selassie I".

7. He is a godly man who has God inside of him the same way that all believers do; through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. He is not God.

8. He is a great prophet and should be revered as such.

9. He is a venerated saint that can be prayed to, but is not the Almighty God. He is a representative of Christ and a mediator between God and man.

The former nine different belief systems do not even begin to represent the fragmented faith of Rastafari and don't even scratch the doctine of other sects such as the Bobo Shantis. There is no united front, no agreed upon doctrinal statement. I guess that given this knotted up ball of string, when I say "Rastafarian," I am usually thinking of the Ethiopian World Union's Definition, while keeping in mind that there are

twelve tribers and others like yourself that differ in views.

Again, I love Rastas, and mean no disrespect--My whole desire is for others to see Christ as the Bible clearly portrays Him--Lord of all!
Blessings in Christ,
Mark

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 07:19 Post subject: quote

Thank you for you elaboration. Little addition for point 6: usually it's not "person" but "personality" through which Jesus Christ "reveals Himself" as the phrase goes.

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Christians ignorant? What about Rasta's?!!

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Author	Message
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 02 Oct 2004 16:58 Post subject: Christians ignorant? What about Rasta's?!! quote The emphasis on this forum has lately been put on ignorant Christians. Messian Dread and others claim that Christians use the colours and symbols of rasta, without knowing what they mean. Christians have been called ignorant, wannabees, etc. Now I do think there is some truth in this. There are wannabee Christians and some misuse the colours and don't even know what they stand for. But I do think it is now time to put things in the right perspective. It is not my intention to be disrespectfull here. I just want to put things in perspective, because I think it's not right to only call Christians ignorant. There are quite a few ignorant Rasta's as well. It has been said that wannabee Christians use the green, yellow and red, without knowing what these colours stand for. Well, I know of a lot of Rasta's (even a lot of big reggae artists), that put red on top and green at the bottom. But the Ethiopian flag has green at the top and red at the bottom. Is this not ignorance? A lot of rasta's either don't know about the statements of Selassie I, or they don't want to know about them. Ignorance? Misuse???? A lot of Rasta's either don't know about the conversion of Bob Marley, or they don't want to know about it. Ignorance? Misuse? Wannabee Christians steal symbols and colours from Rasta? What

about Rasta stealing from Judaism and Christianity (which were before Rastafari!)???

What about Rasta taking so many Scriptures out of their context? Read 'Ethiopia' where ever it says 'Israel'? And so on and on!

My point is this: the story that has been told by some people lately on this forum is one sided. They only talk about so called wannabee Christians that misuse rasta symbology and colours etc. And though they may be right about this, it is very one sided. Because they don't talk about the fact that so many Rasta's (also on this forum) misuse so many biblical things and are very ignorant as well.

Again: it is not my intention to be offensive. But the story of some is too onesided. To some my question would be: exactly how far does your respect for Rasta go? Does it go so far that you are willing to be blind to the misuse and ignorance of many Rasta's???

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Bless!

Jochem

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not so binghi

Joined: 15 May 2004
Posts: 25
Location: The Beach

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 19:56 Post subject: quote

What is the word Christianity or Rastafarianism. They are called ism skism. Seen?

Quote:

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Well you see it is Bobo Ashanti that use the Ethiopian colors in that order, red, yellow, then green. And you have to understand that not all who say they are Rasta are truely spriritual. They simply use the image for tourism or to sell something or whatever. It is the same for those like Christafari, they don't place any importance on the meaning of these things. They just use them for the image and thing. Of course these people who use these things for image are not going to know that Haile Selassie I points to Yeshua(Jesus).

Quote:

> Wannabee Christians steal symbols and colours from Rasta? What about Rasta stealing from Judaism and Christianity (which were before Rastafari!)???

No one stole anything from anyone. These are all symbols of the ancient Israelites of whom we are spiritual descendents. We are made into Israelites (people of God) through the cleansing of Yeshua Ha Mashiach. We all have a right to these symbols. Seen?

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What about the the people who call themselves Christian who sexually abuse Children. Is that not ignorance and misuse?

Does everyone who believes in the true Christ have to be called a Christian? What about Messianic Jews?

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Ras J.

Jah Love.

Look to the Lord Yesus Christ.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 23:36 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-x-rist

YOU WROTE:->A lot of Rasta's either don't know about the conversion of Bob Marley, or they don't want to know about it. Ignorance? Misuse?

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QEDAMAWE BLESS!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 23:47 Post subject: quote

Respect Not So Binghi. Great answers. I have come to call those who claim the name of Christ but don't follow the life of Christ, Churchians. They are not really Christians just the same as a Reggae fan who doesn't go deeper in to the livity of Rasta is not really a Rasta. I guess we could call them Reggaians... LOL

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 03 Oct 2004 00:10 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> it is the bobo ashanti that use the Ethiopian colors in that order, red, yellow, then green

and the rainbow that Jah gave after the flood too dont forget, so Jah uses them in that order too.

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not so binghi

Joined: 15 May 2004
Posts: 25
Location: The Beach

Posted: 03 Oct 2004 00:25 Post subject: quote

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Warthog, you are being obnoxious. No need to put Irie-in-**CHRIST** down, he is not your son. That's called downpressin.

Ras B,

Quote:

> and the rainbow that Jah gave after the flood too dont forget, so Jah uses them in that order too.

Seen.

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Ras J.

Jah Love.

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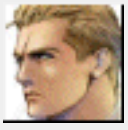
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 03 Oct 2004 07:35 Post subject: Balance quote

Quote:

> No one stole anything from anyone. These are all symbols of the ancient Israelites of whom we are spiritual descendents. We are made into Israelites (people of God) through the cleansing of Yeshua Ha Mashiach. We all have a right to these symbols. Seen?

I agree with you, not so binghi. It's just that the emphasis lately on this forum has been put this way: Christians 'steal' from Rasta, misuse their symbols and are ignorant. The balance was gone, so I wanted to put things in perspective by not keeping silent about the fact that there ARE a lot of ignorant Rasta's as well, and there

is, in a sense, much misuse within Rastafari as well. Seen?

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Bless!

Jochem

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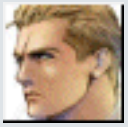
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 03 Oct 2004 07:40 Post subject: Wrong information quote

Here's another thought: LOZ is being accused of giving wrong information about rastafari. I wonder how many websites that deal with rastafari give wrong information about Selassie I

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Bless!

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Christians with dreadlocks?

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Author	Message
12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 53 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 21 Oct 2004 03:35 Post subject: Christians with dreadlocks? quote I remember in the Caribbean when it was Rastas who faced and still face trials and tribulations just because of their outward appearance. Since Rastas seperated themselves from modern society by looking different from them with locks, these baldheads brutalized Rastafarians for no reason and sent them to prison. These same baldheads were calling themselves Christians and despised locks. Now all of a sudden some Christians wearing locks too? What do they know about the persecution that Rastafarians went through with dreadlocks? Nothing. So why they want to have locks now? Maybe they like the style or just for commercial business, but Rastafari grow locks because it is I n I covenant with the Father, not no fashion, stylee or commercial business. Now I don't have a problem with some Christians wearing locks, because I know few who are ok and wouldn't speak down on Rastas. But there are others who wear locks and behave in this ignorant kind of manner towards us Rastafarians, & it is they who I really would like to ask, why do they have locks? Let's be honest here it was the Rastafarians who boldly wore their hair into locks even before these so called Christians began wearing them, & endured pure sufferation by so called Christians. Even the Ethiopian

Christians still show love to Rastas, not undermine them like others are doing. So again I really have to ask, why are these people really wearing locks?

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1943
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 04:18 Post subject: quote

I don't have locks. And I think it was a reaction of fear that caused those types of things. Instead of trying to understand the critques that the early Rastas offered at the Church I think they saw it as an attack. Also legalism is a very big part of lots of Christian Churches. It is wrong. I strive to not have such a judgmental attitude.

I would like for you to see something though. Often people go far and beyond the intentions of the Bible to feel more rigtheous. For example, if I don't smoke ciggerettes and have never had a problem with such a thing, it could be very easy to look down on those that are addicted. Now I could go patting myself on the back about how much more goddly I am than the person who struggles. The truth is that most who do such things are over compensating for a hiden struggle. Men who are addicted to porn for example are often very legalistic in other parts of their lives that are more easily seen.

Any ways I have said all that to say that it is not the Bible, or true Christianity that causes such things, but it is sinnful flesh that allows such hypocracy.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 124
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 18:14 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> 1 Corinthians 11:14
> Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

deh initial responses is from deh pauline doctrine in which paul tells ones" does not nature teach you dat long hair is deh shame of a man?". dis innit itself is deh prevailing attitude of deh globe today because of who carried deh "Christian" message out from rome. never in Ini view can deh modern ever replace deh ainciency, it jest cyan.

Quote:

> Leviticus 21:5
> They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.

Quote:

> 1 Corinthians 11:15
> But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for [her] hair is given her for a covering.

dis is why deh entire world is infatuated wid sistren wid long hair because of dis verse and for what, vanity?

1 Peter 3:3
Whose adorning let it not be that outward [adorning] of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

dis is directed at Afreecan people becase dey were deh first to plait or braid hair simply out of necessity. Ini know deh context in which it is used but someone tell I if dis is law or commentary or advice, because no one seems to know espicially regarding paul.

Quote:

> 1 Corinthians 11:6
> For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

dis verse is responsible for at least deh entre western world meking it a necessity for sistren to shave. dis is one of deh most ridiculous things Ini have cited in deh I-ble because it basically is saying dat even doe Jah has made sistren wid dis hair for a divine purpose, let us put assunder what Jah has I-rated for deh sake of vanity, yeah right!

dis and other ridiculous reasonings have made deh entire global community afraid of hair in itself and for what? roman vanity? deh razor industry is large in deh western world as if it were a universal basic necessity for survival, when it is a waste of money. Ini guess shaving everyday is similar to how deh medicinal community works here also, attacking deh byproduct but never deh root. deh root of hair is dat JAH.I.M.self I-trols deh growth of hair and dat notta one could stoppit from growing or mekit grow any faster if dem tried, so why try and destroy it everyday or everyweek for a facade dat only disappears deh nextday? all hair was placed upon deh individual for a specific reason dat only H.I.M. knows so why battle deh force dat made you a force yourself? deh strength of deh nazarite vow and all others who refuse to bow to rome's scissors and comb propaganda is a very real thing and for deh 1st advent Christians who are honest unto Jah, dem will acknowledge dis as truth by deh very fact dat dem gon natty. again Ini ask who are you fi stop Jah I-ration?

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1943
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 18:29 Post subject: quote

Yes, you are right that the idea came from that verse and it is only applied by folsk who disregard the verse below it...

1Co 11:16 But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 495
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 18:36 Post subject: Re: Christians with dreadlocks? quote

> **12TribesLion wrote:**
>
> Since Rastas seperated themselves from modern society by looking different from them with locks, these baldheads brutalized Rastafarians for no reason and sent them to prison.

I think societies usually fear groups which separate themselves out, rejecting the familiar norms of society (whether good or bad), especially when the seperatist group manifests their separation through clothing, hairstyles, and other practices which sharply differ from the norms of the society.

The punk movement is another which receives a very similar reaction, and for the same reasons. Likewise the great "holy fools" of Christian tradition (c.f. *Perfect Fools* by John Saward). Separatists groups are, whether rightly or wrongly, almost always perceived as dangerous and threatening to society.

> **Quote:**
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> These same baldheads were calling themselves Christians and despised locks.

I have no doubt they considered themselves Christians, although it's pretty clear that they often failed to behave as Christians must.

> **Quote:**
>
> Now all of a sudden some Christians wearing locks too?

It isn't "sudden" in the sense that individual Christians have done it in many places at different times. Locks occur naturally in many hair types, you know. Some people let their hair lock, other people comb.

Sometimes one or the other will be socially preferred within a culture, rather like wearing hats. It used to be socially unacceptable for people to go out without hats, now hats tend to be scorned. This is rarely a religious phenomenon, though occasionally people will often try to justify their preferences with biblical principles and/or scriptural citations. But the real truth is that Christianity, as a religion, has never had detailed rules about "how you should look and dress" and "how you should not look and dress," even though some predominantly Christian cultures have.

> **Quote:**
>
> So why they want to have locks now? Maybe they like the style or just for commercial business

Some probably just like the style. Some are probably following fads promoted in commercial magazines. Some are identifying with aspects of the culture and doctrines of Rastafari, for a variety of reasons. Some are doing it as a conscious affirmation of their familial heritage and natural hair type, to contradict a cultural history of supression and shame (as when Malcolm X rejected conking his hair, or in the "black is beautiful" dimension of the American civil rights movement). There are many, many reasons (and sometimes none) that people lock their hair.

> **Quote:**
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> but Rastafari grow locks because it is I n I covenant with the Father, not no fashion, stylee or commercial business.

Yes.

> **Quote:**

> there are [some Christians] who wear locks and behave in this ignorant kind of manner towards us Rastafarians, & it is they who I really would like to ask, why do they have locks?

I'd say: Just ask 'em!

> **Quote:**
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> Let's be honest here it was the Rastafarians who boldly wore their hair into locks even before these so called Christians began wearing them, & endured pure sufferation by so called Christians.

People have been wearing locks from the dawn of mankind because some people's hair just locks if they don't comb it. It didn't start with Rastafari.

I completely agree that Rastas, and especially famous Rastas like Bob Marley, had a big hand in *popularizing* locks in modern times and making them increasingly acceptable in cultures where they were not before.

I also agree that many Rastas have often suffered unjustly when they were feared because they violated social expectations and norms.

At the same time, the Christians who wear locks are not the same people who persecuted other people for wearing them.

So just ask them what they're about.

_____

Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Yisraulmob

Joined: 17 Nov 2001
Posts: 23
Location: Compton

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 18:48 Post subject: Natty Dread quote

I am glad that Jonagus brought up the fact that dreadlocks were in existence way before Rasta. Rastafarians did not invent them, however dreads did gain popularity because of Bob Marley and the rise of Reggae. I have my locks and they represent an embracing of my culture as a Black man and rebellion against Babylon system. InI am a pure Dread in Christ. I believe that some biblical figures wore locks, although I obviously don't believe that locks are for everyone. Blacks and some other cultures have been dreading for hundreds upon hundreds of years and Babylon system and those brainwashed by it seem to have a problem with it. JAH bless the dread and undread, InI are dread in heart and on my head and I represent Natty for life. PRAISE YAHUSHUA!!!

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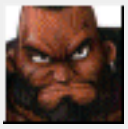
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 495
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 19:59 Post subject: Re: Natty Dread quote

> **Yisraulmob wrote:**
>
> I have my locks and they represent an embracing of my culture as a Black man and rebellion against Babylon system.

This is something that I think both Rastas and Christians can appreciate, and it can actually be a point of unity and mutual understanding.

A conscious affirmation of familial heritage and natural hair type, to contradict a cultural history of supression and shame, is something that we can all support, even if some have other reasons for locking as well (e.g. personal vows of consecration to God).

> **Quote:**
>
> JAH bless the dread and undread

Amen.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane

Selassie

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 11
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 21:34 Post subject: lets see... quote

greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Savior Yahshua Immanuel!

i too have been curious about this. For black people, dreads can be an aspect of the "black is beautiful" mentality, and I have no issues with this. But i think the real question that 12TribesLion was asking was why are White Christians wearing dreadlocks?

I wear dreadlocks as a form of dedication to the Most High Elohim Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh, in accordance with the Nazirite Vow of Numbers Chapter Six. Paul was correct in his statement, that Long Hair shames a Man. I have had this burden of shame for the past few years now, including arrest and persecution the same. My question is, that according the Christafari opinion, dreads are worn by Christians in order to convert Rastas. This seems to be a terrible reason so is it the reason?

it seems to be an abuse of the culture. i can't agree with this, because it is abuse of the culture to which i adhere. It is making a mockery of the dreads that are on my head. It makes them just another hair style, and dreads should not be so. Paul wore them, and took them so seriously that he paused His Mission for the length of His Vow, so why are white christians no seeming to take them so serious? (i think it is because of bands like KoRn making dreds in general popular amongst teenagers)

I am even more curious, not that white christians are wearing dreads, but that are embracing reggae music and culture but rejecting Ethiopian Orthodox and Rasfafari! Why is this? It seems the most mockery!

"long time ago, Christians only sing in Church and them a call reggae rags music!"

yours in christ

	chris naphtali twelve tribes of israel _____ "dont be to ambitous, just serve your purpose" bunny wailer
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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 08:10 Post subject: Did Bob Marley became a christian before his death? quote It is said that in the last period of his life, Bob Marley became a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. And that to become a member, one must denounce Selassie I as God. And the fact that his funeral was hold in and by this church, shows that he truly was a member. Bishop Yesehaq from the Ethiopian Orthodox Church is said to describe Bob's conversion as one whole hour of weeping sobbing and tears of repentance. So: did Bob Marley really repent from believing and teaching that rastafari is God, and became a christian (just like Judy Mowatt), or is this just christian wishfull thinking (just like some christians claim that Darwin took everything back and accepted Christ before he died)? _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 08:24 Post subject: Re: Did Bob Marley became a christian before his death? quote

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> It is said that in the last period of his life, Bob Marley became a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. And that to become a member, one must denounce Selassie I as God. And the fact that his funeral was hold in and by this church, shows that he truly was a member. Bishop Yesehaq from the Ethiopian Orthodox Church is said to describe Bob's conversion as one whole hour of weeping sobbing and tears of repentance.
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> So: did Bob Marley really repent from believing and teaching that rastafari is God, and became a christian (just like Judy Mowatt), or is this just christian wishfull thinking (just like some christians claim that Darwin took everything back and accepted Christ before he died)?

I believe there is a description of this on he LOZ FAQ page. I also know that Judy wasn't really happy about it, but she because a Christian too.

Kind of cool. Just think, go Home, and see Bob Marley playing reggae with the angels before God. I don't have a clue what it will be like, but that would be pretty darned cool!

Just the thought of all the people we are going to see there who are famous or were famous on Earth, and to think that won't matter! The only thing that will matter is being before God. WITHOUT SIN. Come Jesus come!

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What we do in life, echos in Eternity.

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Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:07 Post subject: quote

chanting H.I.M. live!!! H.I.M. live!!!! how wonderfull!!

HAILE GEDAMAWI!!

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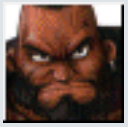

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:28 Post subject: Re: Did Bob Marley became a christian before his death? quote

> **Irie-in-Christ wrote:**
>
> So: did Bob Marley really repent from believing and teaching that rastafari is God, and became a christian... or is this just christian wishfull thinking

It is a fact that he was baptized "Berhane Selassie" and received into the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, and that his state funeral was a rite of the EOC. (You can see film footage of his EOC funeral in biographical movies, like *Bob Marley & the Wailers: the Bob Marley Story* and *Rebel Music: the Bob Marley Story*.) Did he renounce any belief that H.I.M. Selassie is God? He must have made a sufficient public profession of Christian faith to convince the EOC to baptize and receive him; they would not have done it otherwise.

I cannot say if his profession of Christian faith was matched by interior conversion of heart, but I would assume it was. Bob Marley was no hypocrite. If he did not really believe in his heart what he professed, I do not believe he would have professed it.

What did Marley's conversion to the EOC mean to him? Unfortunately, he did not live long enough to really tell us. But maybe someday we will find out?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 21 Aug 2004 13:48 Post subject: quote

Yep obviously he would have became one before he died.This WART-HOG fella jus makes me laugh.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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Trojan Rude Boy

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 22
Location: The Netherlands

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 21:53 Post subject: quote

I did read it somewhere, and I think that his mother did ask him to join the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. His move to the Ethiopian Orthodox Church seemd to have caused some trouble at his funeral.

One Love

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The word of the Father is just, pass it on. Let the whole world know that Jesus told us to LOVE our neighbours, not to fight them. Peace, Love, Unity, Equal Rights & Respect. One Love, One God, One Aim, One Destiny
Social living is the best

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 22:50 Post subject: quote

> **Trojan Rude Boy wrote:**
>
> His move to the Ethiopian Orthodox Church seemd to have caused some trouble at his funeral.

The EOC, like all the Christian churches with ancient roots, has and celebrates its own particular Christian funeral rites, and the Marley family worked to insure no one else would do Bob's rites. But although Marley became an Ethiopian Orthodox Christian before his death, Rasta groups like the Twelve Tribes were apparently annoyed that they were not given "equal time." At least one Twelve Tribesman interrupted the funeral to speak.

I don't know the extent of the interruption because I have only seen portions of the funeral footage, and that was not included.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Talawa

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 59
Location: Sweden

Posted: 12 Sep 2004 20:49 Post subject: A link for the interested... quote

I found this one on the www:

http://www.jamaicans.com/culture/rasta/ethiopian_church.shtml

Jah Bless!

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"It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

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Author	Message
†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 13 Sep 2004 01:54 Post subject: Re: A link for the interested... quote **Talawa wrote:** I found this one on the www: http://www.jamaicans.com/culture/rasta/ethiopian_church.shtml Jah Bless! cool thanks _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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Holger Meier Joined: 25 Sep 2004 Posts: 3 Location: germany	Posted: 25 Sep 2004 11:20 Post subject: quote Hi. Thanks for the link. I checked out the informations on that page and they gave a bit of a glimpse of what Bob Marley believed during the last time of his life. But I just wonder if there is more info available on the web on this matter. Cause I think it would be great for many reggae fans to read the truth about the (my opinion) greates reggae musicians' faith in Yeshua/Jesus. BobMarley.com gives a lot of info about his life but as far as I could see they did not mention his supposed conversion. Probably because the makers of the

page do not approve of this step Bob took.
I myself only know about Bob's (supposed) conversion from the Christafri's FAQ and the link mentioned above.
May God's peace be upon you all.

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Read your Bible and not just christian or secular books because it is better to drink from the spring than to slurp from the puddle!

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prophet7

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 15
Location:
http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 14:31 Post subject: quote

Marley may have become a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church but, I and I do not think that he denied Selassie. If I am not mistaken Selassie was a member of the same Church too, so Marley just follow him Father - sight ?
Marley himself said "I want to be were my Father is and that is in Ithiopia/Africa."(not word for word) - seen ?
Churches do not make people, you are what you are....like Marley would say "You can change from Babylon to Rasta but you cyaan't change from Rasta into anything" or "I and I a Rasta since creation but, it is not how long one has been a Rasta, it is how long it take you to grow up cause what is is what is from the beginning it can never change."

One Love
Prophet7

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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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Holger Meier

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 3
Location: germany

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 23:34 Post subject: quote

Hi Prophet.
As far as i know it would not have been possible to be baptised and become a member in the EOC and still hold to the belief that Selassie is God. The EOC sent a guy called bishop Yeshehaq to Jamaica to tell the Rastas that Selassie is NOT God and Selassie also said that he is NOT God.
Churches cannot but GOD can change people. He changed me and many other people as well.
My question rather is: Is there any further internet material on the last times of Bob Marley's life that would indicate that Bob denied Selassie is God and that Bob became a Christian ? (in the biblical sense, not whatever else one may understand under this term including all the negative connotations around the world, but that is a different topic...)
For me to further discuss this topic (Bob' conversion etc.) would end up in speculation because I really don't know more about it than what they write on this christafari homepage.
Blessings

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Read your Bible and not just christian or secular books because it is better to drink from the spring than to slurp from the puddle!

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prophet7

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 15
Location: http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 18:14 Post subject: quote

Show me where Selassie say that He is not God.
"Know that I am He" were His words unto the Rasta brethren as He landed in Jamaica. So me no see where you get that from.

One Love
Prophet7

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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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prophet7

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 15
Location: http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 18:19 Post subject: quote

Further more, even I could become a member of this Church and still hold my beliefs. They don't know what I am thinking. Or are they mind readers ?

One Love
prophet7

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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 22:42 Post subject: quote

Dear Prophet 7, check the following link and hear Selassie I say that he is mortal and that man should never make the mistake that he is Divine :

http://www.dubroom.org/rastafari/rastafari.htm

One love

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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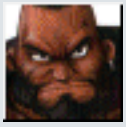
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 17:53 Post subject: quote

prophet7 wrote:

> Marley may have become a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church but, I and I do not think that he denied Selassie.

First of all, Marley was a Twelve Tribesman before the time of his conversion to the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. And it seems that most, if not all, Twelve Tribesmen do *not* believe Selassie *is* Jah. So it is legitimate to question whether Bob Marley even believed that before his Ethiopian Orthodox conversion.

Second, the Ethiopian Orthodox Church would not baptize and chrismate a new member who did not publically profess the Christian faith symbolized in the Nicene Creed or who still professed Selassie is divine. In fact, because of his faith history, Marley was probably required to publically renounce (i.e. in the presence of witnesses) any beliefs that Selassie was more than a devout and holy Christian emperor. The EOC, like all traditional Christian churches (Eastern Orthodox, Catholic, etc.) is extremely strict about the faith professions of catechumens.

And finally, Bob Marley remained a member of the EOC in good standing until his death, which means he did not ever publically renounce the Christian faith of the EOC for the rest of his life. The EOC would not provide funeral rites for someone who had publically renounced the Christian faith.

So either Bob Marley told the truth when he converted and remained a Christian until the end of his life, or Bob Marley lied and hypocritically remained a non-Christian Rasta during and after his baptism.

Because I believe that Bob Marley was too honest and had too much integrity to falsely portray himself as a Christian, I believe that he was a true Christian from his baptism to his death.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies.
—Berhane Selassie

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 483 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 27 Sep 2004 18:21 Post subject: quote **Holger Meier wrote:** Is there any further internet material on the last times of Bob Marley's life that would indicate that Bob denied Selassie is God and that Bob became a Christian ? It is universally agreed that he was baptized into the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, which requires a public profession of Christian Faith as symbolized in the Nicene Creed, that his baptismal name is Berhane Selassie (Light of the Trinity), that he died a member of the EOC in good standing, and that his funeral rites were provided by the EOC. Most biographical videos, including *Rebel Music: The Bob Marley Story* and *Bob Marley and the Wailers: The Bob Marley Story*, include footage of his Ethiopian Orthodox funeral, so you can see it for yourself. There are some who claim that Marley may have been lying about his Christian profession of faith (e.g. to please his mother), and that he was only hypocritically fronting as a Christian while secretly remaining a non-Christian Rasta in his heart, but I do not believe he had so little integrity. Nothing about him makes me think that Marley would ever live so dishonestly. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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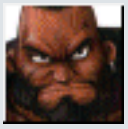
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 18:22 Post subject: quote

prophet7 wrote:

> Further more, even I could become a member of this Church and still hold my beliefs. They don't know what I am thinking. Or are they mind readers ?

You are among those who argue that Bob became a lying hypocrite, then?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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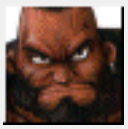
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 18:53 Post subject: quote

prophet7 wrote:

> Show me where Selassie say that He is not God.

On his visit to Jamaica, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia said to the Jamaican minister of education, Edward Allen, "I am a man, and man cannot worship man."

Elsewhere, his majesty said: "The Church is not merely a building. The Church is the faithful fulfillment of the Christian life and its requirements. Thus as the name applies to the building so is our heart the Church in which God dwells. After *our blameless Creator was sent to this world by His Father*, the hearts of all believers became the temple of God."
(Interview with Dr. Oswald Hoffmann on *The Lutheran Hour*: "Bringing Christ to the Nations" radio broadcast, 1968)

In this quote, his imperial majesty not only calls Y'shua the Creator, but explicitly calls Y'shua "*our*" Creator, i.e. the Creator *of Emporer Selassie* (and all other human beings).

Emperor Selassie was always referring to God as his Creator, i.e.

the Creator of Selassie. His autobiography, *My Life & Ethiopia's Progress, vol 1*, for example, began with a "prayer to *my Creator*," whom Selassie calls "the Lord Almighty" and in relation to whom Selassie claims to be no more than "Your instrument."

You can find these quotes and many more like them in Karl Naphtali Phillpotts' book *The Testimony of His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I Defender of the Faith*. An audio version of the interview with Hoffmann is also available on numerous websites, including Messian Dread's.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 16:11 Post subject: quote

dis whole thread is ridiculous because to be Ras one must be Christian, period.

Hail H.I.M.

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 17:23 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
>
> to be Ras one must be Christian, period.

This may be true for many Twelve Tribesmen, who seem to be Christians (at least in some sense), but it does not appear true of many other Rastas. This is one of the questions we try to explore on this forum, although not always well.

To be a Christian, one must affirm in faith all the essential tenets of Christianity: the unique Incarnation of God in Y'shua his Word; Y'shua's incarnation, suffering, death, and resurrection for the redemption, salvation, and divinization of humans; the singular essence and three Persons of the only true God; the closing of public revelation with the deaths of the Apostles; etc.

I have no objections to Rastas affirming the ancient and traditional Christian Faith as symbolized in the Nicene Creed, but unfortunately I meet very few who will.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 18:19 Post subject: quote

jonagus, actually many close I-dren to Iman do hold those beliefs that you stated and the also view Selassie as Christ in His second advent.

I-man not familier with the nicene creed but it sounds like some european business that i am sure was brought long after there was plenty followers of the Messiah

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 19:52 Post subject: quote

Ras B wrote:

> I-man not familier with the nicene creed but it sounds like some european business that i am sure was brought long after there was plenty followers of the Messiah

The Nicene Creed isn't "some European business." It is based on biblical defenses of Christianity (against the pagan syncretist Arius) that were **formulated in Africa** (e.g. by Alexander & Athanasius of Alexandria) and is accepted by all ancient Christian traditions, including the Coptic and Ethiopian Orthodox Churches. To reject the Nicene Creed as a symbol of the true and ancient Christian faith is to reject the true and ancient Christian faith.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 21:34 Post subject: quote

apologies for my misjudgement

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Author	Message
Regis_sounds Joined: 07 Jun 2004 Posted: 80	Posted: 29 Sep 2004 23:35 Post subject: quote THis thing is something else ,if to be a rasta u have to be a christian why are rastas bunning out christianity and promoting rastafarism???Why not be a christian?OKay i understand try to say that selassie is christ returned but if that was true its like saying the bible lied about the second coming because lots of things that should have happened already have not happened yet.Yah know i have heard with my on ears someone go as far as to say selassie had the nail prints in his palms. Tell me how much more stuff will be made up to support him being the so called christreturned.You all really think that christ will get a army with guns and knives and go to war??Which selassie did.Christ already said the battle is spiritual and not physical.So dont even try to promote selassie as god.You really have to understand,christ told the dead to rise,and i`m sure if he wanted anyone dead(and he doesnt)he would simply say ly down and die.So dont even compare selassie with christ.It sometimes eats me out to see that the man stated he is a mortal man like us and he ask the man not worship him or even mistake him for god and people still going around doing the opposite.At least if u love de man so much honour his requests and dont make de mistake of calling him god. _____ Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 13:33 Post subject: quote

Haile Selassie I said " Who am I to question their(Rases) faith?" so den deh question comes, who are you to?

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 15:25 Post subject: quote

I stand on the same grounds that u question others faith.You obviously pick and chose quotes from selassie,cause i am certain he made it clear he was not christ returned.Why dont u not remember that?I am not tring to do anything but to let people knoww that jesus is lord,and that the one whom u say is lord he clearly stated that he is not.I dont think we need anymore clarification about if selassie is christ,because he wasn`t.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 19:36 Post subject: quote

I have never questioned any others faith upon dis or any other forum, Ini just defend Ini livity upon creation. every man has a right to trod in whatever way he so chooses, it is when ones come and say dat my way is deh only way and dat all others are doomed, there is no hue-manitarian love in a doctrine of dat sort. Hail The Power of the Holy Trinity

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally

cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 01 Oct 2004 14:56 Post subject: quote

We do not question your faith to belittle you or argue. The reason we discuss these things is out of love. You said every man has a right to believe and live the way he chooses and you are correct, but that doesn't mean the way the man chooses is right! People who reject the gospel of Christ will have no excuse in the end when Christ shall return to judge. We tell you truth because we care about you and do not want to see you condemned. It is our great commission to tell the gospel. It is our orders from God, it is our mission. People may hate us for it, but we gwaan still, because God runs still!

YOU CAN'T SAY WE NEVER WARNED YOU!!!!!!

_____
Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 01 Oct 2004 16:57 Post subject: quote

like Ini have stated earlier, be"lie"f has has little to do wid Ini livity, as opposed to knowledge. so when you say dat you dey fi warn I, warn I fi wha? inna dis judgement nuh one pon dis forum can say dat dem nuh know dat Emperor Haile Selassie I is deh King of Kings, Lord of Lords & The Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah! dis is where deh rubber of your doctrine meets deh road wid Ini livity, seen. cyan tek Rastafari fi joke -

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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JahTed

Joined: 18 Sep 2004
Posts: 5

Posted: 01 Oct 2004 21:41 Post subject: quote

Greetings once again in the name of the Holy family of Harrar, Emperor Haile Selassie and Emperess Isis Menen, King and Queen of Zion.

[/quote]We tell you truth because we care about you and do not want to see you condemned.

Idren mabe you should re-phrase that to *what we think is the truth*. Because what InI sight up as truth can be totally different from the I. Also in this Livity as we move forward chanting RasTafari, InI not worried one bit about being condemned.

Peace in Selassie.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 01 Oct 2004 21:51 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> InI not worried one bit about being condemned.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 02 Oct 2004 04:22 Post subject: quote jJAH_PICKNEY WROTE:->It is our great commission to tell the gospel. It is our orders from God, it is our mission. People may hate us for it, but we gwaan still, because God runs still! YES!THEN PREACH THE WORD AS IS WRITTEN IN THE SCRIPTURES WITHOUT ADDING IN CRAZY FANTASIES. YESUS DIDNT FIGHT AGAINST THE RASTAMEN. WORKING WITH OR LIKE BABY-WRONG TO DOWNTROD THE POOR PEOPLES MOVEMENT IN JESUS NAME WITH WORDS OF FAKE LOVE IN ABUNDANCE OF THE HEART. I TELL YOU PEOPLE BE CAREFUL ABOUT THE SO CALLED FOOTSOLDIERS WHO COME DISGUISED IN JESUS NAME CLAIMING TO BE THE REAL DEAL, WHEN THEY ARE JUST A FALSE PROPHET FULFILMENT, & ON THE DOWN LOW ARE JUST AS HYPNOTISED AS YOU, INTO SUBMITTING TO BABYLONS NEEDS, & ARE GOOD!SO GOOD AT CREATING FEAR WITH RUMOURS OF WAR COMING WITH STATEMENTS LIKE "dont say I didnt warn you", ITS ONLY JAH WHO GIVES & TAKES AUTHORITY, TO ANY WEAK HEART,BE CAREFULL WITH THEIR SCARE TACTICS, CAUSE SOME OF THEM DONT REALLY KNOW WHAT THE HECK THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT! QEDAMAWE BLESS!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 06:02 Post subject: quote

Warthog,

Why would Christ have fought down Rastamen when the movement didn't start until the early 1900's? This statement makes no sense to me at all.

Now of course Christ was a helper of the poor. He gave His life for ministery to all people.

I have a question for you.

If Christians who truly do their best to live the Bible's commands, are not following God correctly, then in your mind do you believe that you are? I see nothing but condemnation from your posts. No real discussion, and no love for fellow humanity. No desire to see truth prevail. So I am wondering where the foundation for this thought process has been laid?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 09:26 Post subject: quote

He's saying Kristos does not fight against the Rastaman.....

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 15:48 Post subject: quote

Right Christ did not fight against Rastaman and niether do I. I proclaim the gospel as wirtten by the great author, and if that contradicts your life and beleifs and makes you think I am fighting Rastaman then it is you who must check yourself.

I tell this message to the world out of a sincere care and love for people.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 02 Oct 2004 16:11 Post subject: quote

What he said was didn't, not doesn't. In other words while he walked with the 12 Disciples in the flesh.

I don't believe that he fights against those who follow Him, but there is no doubt that He is against those that reject Him of any persuasion. Many Churchians will find a dread day coming. As well as many Rasta will face the one that they rejected and mocked.

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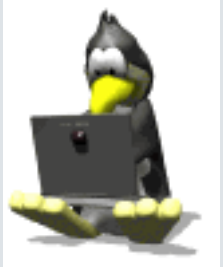

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Posted: 03 Oct 2004 04:22 Post subject: quote

I wasn't talking about you JP, although I do think that you actually have uttered enough offensive statements to many true Rastas in order to not suprise me when you justify yourself out of the blue like that so thanks for disagreeing with me.

Blaminack you're right about the past tense. Excuses.

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 03 Oct 2004 07:45 Post subject: too kind? | quote

Messian Dread, you accuse others of being offensive to Rasta's, but could it not be so that you are too kind too them (and with that, not clear enough about truth)?

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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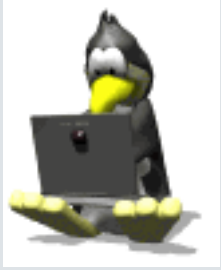

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You're jumping in a long-going process in which many are participating for years also. It might look so that this is all nit-picking but it is not.

Actually I think this debate with this Warthog character and the Christafarians is a perfect illustration of the kind of things I would like to see prevented as they are exactly what Christafarianism brings us to.

I am not convinced of the we-vs-them mind-set which is neccesary to see even the logic into a question such as the one you put down here. You are asking me to answer a question which is in itself so full of in-logic that I first have to explain to you why it is in my eyes not logic.

You will agree it is kind of difficult to answer a question like: "How come that you as a black Christian are allways taking it up against black people when they are speaking with people". I mean, that is more or less the same kind of absurdness as I read in your question. I can not answer it without having to follow you in a certain line of thinking of which I do not see the validity in itself..

Do you want me to elaborate further? Obviously, I can not elaborate to the fullness because of the complexity.

You might know I am working on an essay about Christafarianism and I hope that after this is published you will find your answers in such a way that you can also see where I'm coming from.

I am working on this essay as hard as I can. And between concerts, re-structuring website and more things, the progress is continueing. I believe around 75% is finished. But it could be that I have to write further. Yesterday for example I also found out some new information and was in the same time able to combine some other new information with stuff from my archives and what I found out is pretty disturbing.

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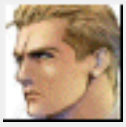
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran  Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 03 Oct 2004 19:18 Post subject: Onesided quote I hope the essay will not be onesided... _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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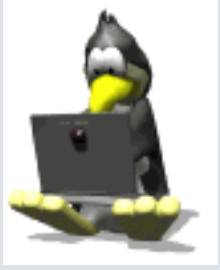
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 03 Oct 2004 21:38 Post subject: quote It will have footnotes, links and appendixes to back up my one sided statements with the facts. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 14:17 Post subject: quote

Sorry MD, I should have been more specific. My comment was made to Worthog who wrote:

> **Quote:**
>
> THEN PREACH THE WORD AS IS WRITTEN IN THE SCRIPTURES WITHOUT ADDING IN CRAZY FANTASIES. YESUS DIDNT FIGHT AGAINST THE RASTAMEN. WORKING WITH OR LIKE BABY-WRONG TO DOWNTROD THE POOR PEOPLES MOVEMENT IN JESUS NAME WITH WORDS OF FAKE LOVE IN ABUNDANCE OF THE HEART

Basically acusing me of preaching this false Gospel and treating people this way.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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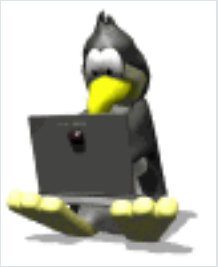

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 14:55 Post subject: quote

I see that.

Warthog is a perfect illustration of what many here perceive Rastas are like. He is helping you all out very much as I'm sure you have noticed.

On the other hand, I must say that although I see you and others here as my Idren in Christ, let there be no mistake about that, I do disagree to a very long extend with the way the Gospel is communicated, and I even think that the Gospel that is being preached also has elements which shouldn't be in there.

The time has come, I think, to open that can of wirms and to debate this in public. Not in secret.

I would never reveal names, secrets, or use people's private lifes to make my points, but I do wish that there would be a public in-depth debate about Christafarianism. The release of my essay will be a contribution to it, I hope. It's not goiung as fast as I hope, but okay, that's how it is. After all, I have an illness which sometimes disables me from doing as much as I would like to. But hey, that's my problem.

So in short, although I see you as my brother in Kristos (we have to spent eternity together at one time), I do disagree stronlgly with many aspects of your (and others!) message. I disagree with how Rastafari is seen and portrayed and no I do not think Warthog represents all of the Rastafarians.

So let's reason about that.....

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 15:46 Post subject: quote

blessed love all,

Ini can only com forward from Ini classroom during deh week, so it is exciting to see wha deh I dem have meditated pon all weekend. from Ini limited I-verstanding deh gospel means deh good news, deh good news of Jah coming kingdom. now deh last time Ini reasoned pon dis, Ini think dat JonaGus told I dat dere is no seperation between Emmanuel & deh kingdom. Ini issue is dat deh gospel has never changed from I-ration, no matter who was preaching/wordsoundfiyahin' it for ones to hear. dat is deh message of urgency for hue-manity to change dem crooked ways before Jah fiyah bun you. deh irony is dat Ini know dat all will face fiyah soona or later, it is justa matter of whether one's heart is pure so that ones are able to withstand deh fiyah, seen.

for ones who are not familiar wid deh term fiyah/fiyah bun it is simply everyday judgement pon hue-manity in an overall and individual manner. Ini have many 1st advnet Christian friends who are actually scared of deh fiyah concept because to dem it represents hell & damnation. example in deh united states of amerikkka in deh last election president bush stole deh election wid deh help of his brother in a lil ole state called florida. 4 years later look at dat lil ole state of florida being bombarted with not one, not two or three but four hurricanes in one of recent history's sickest judgements. Ini don't deal wid deh

supernatural just deh natural, so when Mama Irth/wisdom passes her judgement though her methods of deh elements, ones must overstand dat she is just doing deh will of Jah, her husband.
Ini just posted dis for ones to overstand dat deh gospel is to get hue-manity ready to walk through fiyah and not get burned.
Haile Selassie I

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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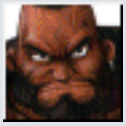
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 18:31 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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> from Ini limited I-verstanding deh gospel means deh good news, deh good news of Jah coming kingdom.

I agree, the Kingdom is Good News.

> **Quote:**
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> now deh last time Ini reasoned pon dis, Ini think dat JonaGus told I dat dere is no seperation between Emmanuel & deh kingdom.

You are right. This is the ancient and traditional Christian Faith.

> **Quote:**
>
> Ini issue is dat deh gospel has never changed from I-ration

The Gospel has not changed, but the knowledge and understanding of men has been developed over time through divine revelation and reasoning.

> **Quote:**
>
> deh message of urgency for hue-manity to change dem crooked ways before Jah fiyah bun you.

Well, that's the negative aspect of the message. The positive content is

that Jah is an eternal Communion, Love, and that all humans are called to participate in Jah Life in Y'shua by the power of the Holy Spirit.

> **Quote:**
>
> it is justa matter of whether one's heart is pure so that ones are able to withstand deh fiyah, seen.

Jah Love is the consuming Fire. Yes.

> **Quote:**
>
> for ones who are not familiar wid deh term fiyah/fiyah bun it is simply everyday judgement pon hue-manity in an overall and individual manner. Ini have many 1st advnet Christian friends who are actually scared of deh fiyah concept because to dem it represents hell & damnation.

I think you are saying that the consequences of sin are temporal, in the here and now and not in the afterlife. You seem to be concerned that Christians believe the only consequences for sin are in the afterlife. I think, in reality, that the consequences of sin are both temporal, in the here and now world, and in the everlasting Gehinnom. This is what the Scripture teaches.

> **Quote:**
>
> deh gospel is to get hue-manity ready to walk through fiyah and not get burned.

I think that is an acceptable metaphor, though for most hearers it probably wouldn't incorporate enough of the positive meaning of the Gospel.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 00:04 Post subject: I believe so

I do believe that Bob Marley was baptised in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, like Abuna Yesehaq stated in his interview, & accepted Iyesus Kristos as Lord and Savior, which is the first thing a person has to do before becoming an EOC member.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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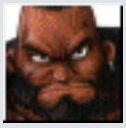
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 01:16 Post subject:

For an adult to be baptized a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, he must:

[1] Know and profess the "Creed of the Apostles." The text from the Ethiopic Liturgical Book is:

Quote:

We believe in one God, maker of all creation, Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, because his nature is unsearchable.

As we have before declared, he is without beginning and without end, but he is ever-living, and he has light which is never extinguished and he cannot be approached.

He is not two or three gods, and no addition can be made to him; but he is only One, living forever, because he is not hidden that he cannot be known, but we know him perfectly through the law and the prophets, and he is Almighty and has authority over all the creations.

One God, Father of our Savior Jesus Christ, who was begotten before the creation of the world, the only begotten Son, coequal with the Father, Creator of all the hosts, the principalities, and dominions.

[Jesus Christ] Who in the last days was pleased to become man, and took flesh from our Lady Mary, the holy Virgin, without the seed of man, and grew like men yet without sin or evil; neither was guile found in his mouth.

Then he suffered, died in the flesh, rose from the dead on the third day, ascended into heaven to the Father who sent him, sat down at the right hand of power, sent to us the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit who proceeded from the Father, and saved all the world, and who is coeternal with the Father and the Son.

We say further that all creatures of God are good and there is nothing to be rejected, and the spirit, the life of the body is pure and

holy in all.

And we say marriage is pure and childbirth undefiled, because God created Adam and Eve to multiply. We understand further that there is in our body a soul which is immortal and does not die with the body.

We repudiate all work of heretics and all schisms and transgressions of the law, because they are for us impure.

We also believe in the resurrection of the dead, the righeous and sinners; and in the day of Judgement, when everyone will be recompensed according to his deeds.

We also believe that Christ is not in the least degree inferior [to the Father] because of his Incarnation, but he is God, the Word who truly became man and reconciled mankind to God being the High Priest of the Father. Henceforth, let us not be circumcised like the Jews. We know that he who had to fulfill the law and the prophets has already come.

The creed of the Council of Nicea is also accepted and used by the Ethiopian Orthodox Church.

[2] Know the Lord's Prayer. (c.f. Matthew 6:9-13)

[3] Know the Ten Commandments. (c.f. Deuteronomy 5:6-21)

[4] Know and profess *Amistu A-emade Mystir*, the Five Pillars of Mystery. These are the Mystery of the Trinity, the Mystery of the Incarnation, the Mystery of Baptism, the Mystery of Eucharist, and the Mystery of the Resurrection of the Dead. Here is the text of the Mystery of the Trinity, which the adult convert must know, believe, and profess:

Quote:

Mystire Selassie/Mystery of the Trinity

The Mystery of the Trinity is to believe in the Father the begetter, in the Son the begotten, in the Holy Spirit the one who proceeds, one in three and three in one. They are three in name, in person, in work. In name they are called Father, Son, the Holy Spirit. The Father has a perfect person, perfect face, and perfect form. The Son has a perfect person, perfect face, and perfect form. The Holy Spirit has a perfect person, perfect face, and perfect form. As far as their work is concerned, the Father is begetter, the Son is begotten, the Holy Spirit is the one who proceeds. The Father begets and causes procession, but is neither begotten nor proceeds. The Son is begotten, but neither begets nor proceeds nor causes procession. They are one in nature, in essence, in fullness, in substantiality, in divinity, in heart, in word, in breath.

They are called *Ab*, *Wold*, and *Menfes Qidus*. *Ab* means "the Father,"

Wold means "the Son," and *Menfes Qidus* means "the Holy Spirit" one who proceeds from the Father. When we say the Father begets the Son and causes the Holy Spirit to proceed, it does not mean he is greater than they; he does not precede them. "The temporal precedence of the Trinity is the same; they are equal in precedence," as Heraclius says.

When we say they are three in name, person, and in work, we do not mean to say three gods, but one God; as Athanasius said in *Haimante Abew*: "The Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; but they are One, and are not called three gods." The Father is called the Father, but not the Son or the Holy Spirit; the Son is called Son, but not the Father or the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is called Holy Spirit, but not the Father or Son. As Ignatius has said in *Haimante Abew*: "The name of the Father is not changed to be the name of the Son or Holy Spirit. The name of the Son is not changed to be the name of the Father or the Holy Spirit. The name of the Holy Spirit is not changed to be the name of the Father or the Son."

This is what was required of Bob Marley at his conversion.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Future Prodigy Joined: 29 Jul 2004 Posts: 33	Posted: 05 Oct 2004 23:13 Post subject: Dreads and balding/receding hairline.. quote I was always curious as to what rastas did in this scenario. I know there aren't alot of bald black ppl but there are some. So what do you guys do if you have receding hair lines? Do you still dread?
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Future Prodigy Joined: 29 Jul 2004 Posts: 33	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 18:17 Post subject: quote nobody knows? We have local rastas on this board!
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 20:18 Post subject: quote man fashion dread go shave he locks because he is concerned about the look rastaman dont deal wit that vanity i locks is a certain significance not based on the look or balding or whatever. i-man am young still but becasue of certain genes i have i am losing some hair but i aint study that. if a lock breaks or falls well it happens, but never cut!
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Posted: 07 Oct 2004 10:17 Post subject: quote

I have what you describe and I do not give one inch of anything about it.

It looks inteligent

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Future Prodigy

Joined: 29 Jul 2004
Posts: 33

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 02:40 Post subject: quote

messian dread do you have any pics by any chance. Ive been thinking about dreading my hair for some time but my hair line is receding and thin (stupid genes every male on both sides is bald... so im out of luck)

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 12:12 Post subject: quote

if you must dread then you must do it.

ras b spoke the words....

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 19:47 Post subject: quote

hahah! we now know how rasB looks like! we now want to see pictures of the barbershop this so called **RAS** (a very respectable title earned after ones long works in the rastafarian community) goes to?? ?? ??

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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 08 Oct 2004 20:15 Post subject: quote i hesitated to even respond to the-I's stupid comments warthog and maybe it is still against i better judgement. but the only reason i even respond is out of simply curiousity of what the-I meant by that.
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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 09 Oct 2004 01:54 Post subject: quote Again revealing that he is not here to reason, but rather to be an Agent of division.
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 09 Oct 2004 02:28 Post subject: quote IF I was a true agent of division, I would keep insisting on judging him to PROOF or clean up that name, cause to some of us this title is earned seriously & those whom I leave with & have earned it are very serious dreads committed to the faith. I personally haven't even earned that title yet. BLESS!!
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Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 04:10 Post subject: quote

RASB

dont get me wrong, an honest opinion from within I havent judged you yet, cause I dont know you, & I RASFULLY havent walked in your shoes.

qedamawe bless!!

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Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 07:22 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
>
> Again revealing that he is not here to reason, but rather to be an Agent of division.

You seem to be going around lately putting this mark as you call it on more people, right?

There we come to that point that it is actually so that a lot of folks do actually respond to warthog as he confirms for you all the charicature of Rasta that serves as foundation for so much reasoning here.

And vice versa I might add.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 15:30 Post subject: quote

I really like how avoid the issue here. Warthog spend no time reasoniong, just trying to stir up nonsense, yet you defend him. Why? I think it is because you, seem to love to set your self in contridiction at every opportunity. Just like you ignored what I had to say at the begining of this thread...

http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?t=2026

The mark that I am talking about is this...

Rom 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

Now I am not trying to apply the part about being contrary to the doctrine, but you do seem to clearly fit the first part. You asked what was my next step? It is just to avoid spending my time in debate with you. It has become pointless. Saddly.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 21:29 Post subject: quote

warthog, no love or raspect lost, i didnt take offense. i am not sure about buttons but i just was curious to see if you thought i was someone else in that picture, cause the dread on i head or face cant really be seen in that picture

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 21:45 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> I would keep insisting on judging him to PROOF or clean up that name, cause to some of us this title is earned seriously & those whom I leave with & have earned it are very serious dreads committed to the faith.

i completly overstand that. certain dreadlocks in the reggae curcit started calling i that some time back because they watched i strict livity (put a dread in a club a couple nights a week to play and it doesnt to long to see what they about) and knew about the works i took part of in the motherland and just the hard striving to live up in the faith. so maybe to the-i i dont deserve the title, to i self i never considered it becasue the-i is the first rastaman out of many that know i from all different mansions that have fought it down. but i-man am not closed to correction if that is what Jah would have. here in trinidad a close i-dren who is a elder of nyabinghi dubbed I; I-ton which i go by now. but some still add the prefix ras to it. it was something i just accepted not really forced or tried to put on i-self.

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 09 Oct 2004 22:04 Post subject: quote **blaminack** Messian dread is on a different higher plane of reasoning than I. He is not defending me, he is just giving his opinion. I just love to nag some of you christafarians with the part of what you insist is part of rastafarian ignorance as I get some feedback. I'm actually acting like your UNCHANGED FAQ. A FAQ. that doesnt recognise that the rasta movement has been growing with time. But I promise to start growing up to reasonning next time bless!
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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 10 Oct 2004 00:08 Post subject: quote I am indeed not defending warthog but that seems to go unnoticed..... _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 00:35 Post subject: quote

No I have noticed in several places that MD has said that Warthog just continues the preconcieved notions that SOME Christians have about Rastas. I have seen it. But I have also seen him rather take the side of even some one that just causes divisions to "push buttons" over those that are here to reason. Seems plain where MD has the line drawn.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 01:01 Post subject: quote

You don't understand two inches of me.

That is because you confuse Christafarianism and Christianity.

Let me be clear: your (multiple you not single you) conversations with warthog have nothing, absolutely nothing, to do with Christianity, but only with Christafarianism.

You might say that I have "taken sides" in this thing which you undoubtly feel is a ""witness to Rasta" and all to "promote Christianity" or even "share the Gospel", but I have to dissapoint you: you are not doing that in these discussions with warthog.

So where you say I am taking sides, you are meaning that I choose side against the Christians in favor of the Rastas. That is how you think and because of that mind set that is how you interpretate my actions and words.

I see it clearly how you do not notice various things I have said about these discussions that you all seem to enjoy with warthog, added to that I am ignoring most of it anyway.

Critisize one thing and you'll get "the mark", as it is called around here I have learned recently.

Well, mark me as much as you want, cause only the mark that JAH puts on will be on me.

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One Love,

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 04:14 Post subject: quote

Really Jetze give it a rest. I said that you are willing to side with anyone over some here. Even if you personally disagree with them. You still have not answered the things that I said in that thread. Therefore I see it is all about division rather than critique, and I am not in any way talking about your on going disapproval of Mark Mohr. I am talking about the way you refuse to even look for anything that unites us. You have made the issues of disagreement all that there is for any connection. Why? If you are honest about trying to unite Christianity and Rasta why do you do this?

Honestly I am tired of and bored with this debate of should we witness to Rastas. I have clearly stated what my views on witnessing are, and they have nothing to do with anything in the FAQ. Do you not agree that as Christians we have a job of living an exemplary life? Is Christ real enough to you to do so? He is to me! That applies to Rastas, Hindus, Muslims, Jews, the Athiest and yes other Christians. We should live a life that is a witness of Christs power to change us. That is what I want to do. Going on and on in these debates take from that! That is the mark that I am talking about! If you are not here to glorify Christ, then you are not, and I have better ways to spend my time. That is the mark. It is a note in my mind that says to me, stop bothering.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 07:33 Post subject: quote

If you're bored and tired why continue to participate?

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One Love,

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 13:42 Post subject: quote

Exactly and that is what I am saying. Discussions with you have proven to be fruitless as it is all about how some else is wrong.

So I will not continue discussing things about the FAQ, Mark Mohr or your view of LOZ.

If there is something of substance that can further the Kingdom of God, that will not end up in circular debate and endless arguments then count me in. This does not mean that I will not read the material and allow garbage.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 16:04 Post subject: quote

Everything up to you to decide, ofcourse.....

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One Love,

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coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 02:57 Post subject: quote What is "Christafarianism"? _____ Enter the mind of the CoolPoet http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete
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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 08:12 Post subject: quote The title of an essay which I will pusblish in about 8 or 9 days from now. In essence, it is an evangelical correct way of being like a Rasta without being a Rasta. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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That article sucks bigtime.

yes **80%** [8]

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 01 Dec 2003 06:21 Post subject: Example of Christian anti-Rasta propaganda: Your opinnion quote Greetings, I'd like your opinnions on this: http://www.av1611.org/crock/pod_rast.html I know it is about this new hot sensation called P.O.D. and I do not know anything about them neither do I feel like I should have an opinnion aout them per se, but it is about the depiction of Rastafari on this page where I would like to ask your opinnions on. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Preecha

Joined: 10 Nov 2003
Posts: 86
Location: Phoenix AZ

Posted: 01 Dec 2003 07:32 Post subject: quote

Lot of Good points in that, but it was still very one sided.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 01 Dec 2003 07:38 Post subject: quote

Hey that's the book I read..."The Rastafarians"

I said no because that is the book I read about rastafarianism when I was first learning...And I see nothing in this article that is anti-rasta...Everything the article said was in line with the book.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 01 Dec 2003 11:06 Post subject: quote

Likewise I make no defense or attack on POD.

But the author of this critique is coming from a limited perspective on rasta, as shown by the single source of Barrett's book. Nothing wrong with Barrett's book as long as it is clear that his perspective in it is one which is now **25 years old**. It would not encompass every expression of rasta even at that time, though it would be more representative of the runnings then (though the six points listed would not be universally adhered to).

It is certainly **not** representative now. The author has done the (sadly) typical supeficial research without really gaining a true overstanding of the diversity within the current movement. So the shift in 12 Tribes is not accounted for, as the obvious example.

The general tone of the article is typical of the christian "anti-rock" brigade - slightly hysterical and based on shallow research - although that is not to say that *some* valid points are not made within it as well.

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 01 Dec 2003 13:04 Post subject: quote

i read that article a few months ago and I was quite disappointed. Like Pete said it was shallow showing no real understanding of the topic other than what some one else thought. I get disgusted with these types of "Religious" hating. Yes there were some good points raised, and the is concerned about Holiness, but they also forget about Love and Mercy...

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The Messenjah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
Location: Babylon, North Carolina

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 00:19 Post subject: Re: Example of Christian anti-Rasta propaganda: Your opinnio quote

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> I know it is about this new hot sensation called P.O.D.

New?
...they've been around since 92.

Personaly, I think that is one of the worst anti-christian-rock articles ever made.
If you merely do a bit of re-search you'd see that the stuff in those articles an quotes are twisted.
Like I've said, If your going to call Payable on Death a rasta band.. you might as well call Christafari one to.

But anyway, in my opinion, it gives a realy crap overveiw of what Rastafari is now.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 08:33 Post subject: quote

i cant figure out how to vote on the poll but that article sucks BIG TIME i am actually in the process of writing a letter to the author of this article to see if he is willing to reason about some his misunderstandings

Quote:

> But anyway, in my opinion, it gives a realy crap overveiw of what Rastafari is now

true messenjah that is why i am writing this author

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The Messenjah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
Location: Babylon, North Carolina

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 14:43 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> But anyway, in my opinion, it gives a realy crap overveiw of what Rastafari is now

true messenjah that is why i am writing this author[/quote]
I respect you trying to reach out to him an show him what he's got twisted, but more than likely he won't even respond.
There have been tons of people that have tried to get a straight veiw..but he doesn't listen.
anyhow..Goodluck.

Shalom.

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That article sucks bigtime.

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Author	Message
Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 02 Dec 2003 18:48 Post subject: quote ya i know i am not really expecting him to reply or even read the whole thing but i had to try cause that article made me mad.
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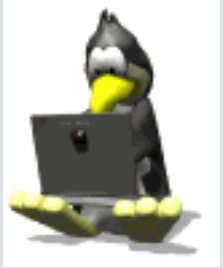
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 02 Dec 2003 19:13 Post subject: quote

That article is just one out of many in which there is a totally distorted description of Rastafari is used to put judgement on all those within or connected to Rastafari who are also born again through Christ Yesus.

It could also illustrate as to why some people (like your's truly) can be very motivated to chant down these so called exposees.

I have also written to the guy and no ofcourse he won't reply because he simply doesn't know. He's right on target with his descriptions of bands like "Stryper" (very very interesting to read) but Reggae should not be seen as hard rock and should not be approached like it because it is a totally different culture.

One example of this ignorance is when I heard this "metal christian leader" pray for Black Uhuru to become White Uhuru

This is a transcript of what I have written to the man, including the spelling mistakes:

Quote:

> Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
>
> Just spend a significant amount of time reading off your website. Been reading the pages about the music and would like to respond to the page about a band called "POD". Although this name was known to me, it was interesting to read about the band.
>
> Wjat caught my additional attention is your writings concerning what you describe/quote as "rastafarianism". I must say that I am in strong disagreemtn with what you wrote about this movement. It is a wrong representation, and because of it's inaccuracy I felt I should write a comment to you.
>
> I do not know who you are, you do not know who I am. A short presentation: I am a reggae musician with dreadlocks who worships JAH the Creator though Jesus Christ, Who is God in the flesh. My name is "messian dread". You might be interested in seeing my homepage at the Dubroom: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/ and who knows, you might even use my writings to "expose" another "satanic deception", but I take that chance cause I fear no man's judgment just JAH's.

Now, the page I refer to is:
http://www.av1611.org/crock/pod_rast.html

I will shortly bring up a few points (not the only ones) that I can proof you wrong.

You quote extensively from a book "The Rastafarians" by a man who is himself not a Rasta. Still you take his words as the ultimate truth and you research no further. That's a missed chance fe real.

It is not true, that Rasta is a religion. Rasta do not neccesarily believe Selassie to be any form of Incarnated Deity. Yes, a lot do, yes most do, but not all.

Rastas do not believe to be reincarnated 12 tribes of Israel. That's absurdity. What is happenning, is that within Rasta you have several "houses". One of these houses, the biggest Rastafarian Organization by the way, is called "the 12 tribes of Israel". They have a theology which you can also find within several forms of Christianity, namely that the ones who are born again through Christ are now spiritual Israel. The leader of this organization, by the way, has expressed in an interview that he does not believe Selassie to be Christ (or God in any other form so to speak) and he quotes Selassie, when Selassie said of himself that he also needed to be saved by the Blood of the Lamb.

You do not like people refer to the Head of Creation, the Most High God, as JAH. Still it is in the Bible. You sing it all the time when you sing HalleluJAH. You say it when you speak of EliJAH. You shouldn't judge people for refering to the Creator by a Name with more biblical foundation then "God", which is, like the word "allah", simply the name of a pagan deity. But we now refer to the Creator as God, which is not bad or so because He knows, still people refering to Him by His Name JAH should make you rejoice for they speak about our Lord.

You have a lot to say about dreadlocks, but not that they are mentioned in the Bible. Numbers 6. Another missed chance.

You speak not about the fact that Bob Marley was in his life connected with the Archbishop of the Ethiopian Church, who was sent by Selassie to Jamaica to teach the Rastas that he is not God. During the last times in his life, Bob Marley actually got baptized in this church so to speak and that means that he no longer believed Selassie to be God.

You call Eek-A-Mouse a hardcore Rasta "band". Well, he is not a band but a reggae DJ/"rapper" and his performances are far from Rasta. There's nothing "hardocre Rasta" in Eek-A-Mouse.

Do you know that within the Rastafarian movement there are many people coming to the conclusion Selassie is not the second coming of Christ? Can you conclude with me that this is a very positive movement, led by the Holy Spirit Who always leads to Christ?

I know many Rastas who believe in Jesus as their Saviour. Yes some of them are thinking Jesus came back already but they will also come to that conclusion that Selassie is not Jah when they research further.

A few points for your consideration. Reference material can be found here: http://www.dubroom.org/articles/0000.htm

You will find the inmterview with the head of the 12 tribes, and also an article about the archbishop.

Thank you for your time.

One Love,
Messian Dread

(I live in the Netherlands and english is not my native tongue)

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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natearch

Joined: 02 Dec 2003
Posts: 1

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 22:23 Post subject: Terry Watkins is crazy quote

He is the kind of man who does not understand the origins of the Bible. The most ignorant thing I have ever read.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 23:11 Post subject: quote

Very good points in this article. I disagree with his stance on Rastafarianism. The man is closed off to other cultures.

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Jah Servant
Forum Veteran

Joined: 01 Jun 2003
Posts: 402
Location: Canada

Posted: 03 Dec 2003 01:51 Post subject: quote

you all gotta admit, it was interesting to read though.
Messian Dread, your letter is good, I hope you guys do get some kind of response, but it's hard when somebody already has their mind made up.

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Psalm 27:4
One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 03 Dec 2003 19:36 Post subject: quote

You guys are really confused on what rasta is...There is rasta the religion...Which believe that Selassie is God.

Then there is another term for rasta...And it means people that are associated with reggae music...This is the kind of rastas you guys are referring to...These people are not really rastas...They just use that name because of the reggae scene....These are "fashion" dreads....Or "fashion" rastas.

The true rastafarian is as this article describes...They look at Selassie as God...They look at whites as Babylon.

You guys say "Not all rastas believe that Selassie was

God".....Well,You guys are only talking about the "Fashion" rastas.....And they are not really rastas.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 03 Dec 2003 21:19 Post subject: quote

After all this time and reasoning, you STILL don't get it, do you? It doesn't seem to matter how much evidence is given you, you just come out with the same old lines.

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 03 Dec 2003 21:48 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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>
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the confusion belongs to you fiyah and i must say that your statement here is one of the more ignorant statements that you have made.

just for example prophet Gad is the head of the twleve tribes of israel, one of the four houses of Ras Tafari, and he does not believe Selassie is God and you couldnt call Gad a fashion dread even if you wanted to cause he doesnt have locks.

another example; there are two bobo shanti rasta communes that each have there own reincarnate black Jesus living at the commune and its not selassie

	as much as poeple like you fiyah and this bald head who wrote the article want to put InI in a box, it is impossible there is too many beliefs even just within the four houses of Ras Tafari to put them all under one classification of ideas.
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 04 Dec 2003 02:03 Post subject: quote RAS B-You want to point fingers and call names?...Well it's coming right back on you now...Because the bobo shanti was not there in the beginning of rasta...Neither was the 12 tribes...All that stuff came later on...And those beliefs that you call anti-rasta were the foundation of rasta. Let me ask you this Ras B...Do you call yourself a rasta?...Why?...Why do you call yourself rasta? _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 04 Dec 2003 03:06 Post subject: quote

so are you the only one that is allowed to go around pointing fingers and calling people confused then?

> **Quote:**
>
> You guys are really confused on what rasta is...

and i didnt call you any names

i understand that bobos and twelve tribes havent been there since the movement first started. but there are recognized and accepted houses of Ras Tafari so my point still stands. and i have never called any beliefs anti-rasta, i think there is a clear difference between a reg. rasta and a fullfilled RasTa though.

other people rastas and otherwise identified me with Rasta before i made any claims myself. and my reasoning on my own belief and stance on RasTa have been thuroughly explained elsewhere on this forum. and from other reasonings with you i feel it would be a waste of my time to go into great length to explain it to you, if you really want to know you can look at my other posts.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 04 Dec 2003 15:18 Post subject: quote

Your reasoning here is absurd, CF. It is like saying that christians who belong to various denominations aren't REAL christians because the beliefs inthese denominations have evolved through history and differ from the foundations of the first christians who can be the only "real" ones.

To confine this to rasta (which is the subject) how can YOU say to thousands of rastas in 12 Tribes, Boboshanti etc, "you aren't real rastas"?
THEY see themselves as rasta. Even those who no longer sight Selassie as Jah or Christ still see themselves as rasta.

Your definitions and thinking are just out of line with reality. I don't care what you read in a book, THIS IS REALITY so try and catch up with some FACTS. It would make a refreshing change!

Yeesh.... !

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 09:21 Post subject: quote

You have no facts for me to check out.

And christians that go around talking about their denomination as if it is of some importance...Yes I would question whether they were true christians....Denomination means nothing!.....And yes christianity does have a foundation and anyone that teaches contrary to that is NOT a christian....I don't care what they call themselves!

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 19:03 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> You have no facts for me to check out.

i think he is suggesting that you do your own homework before you go making ignorant comments

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 21:04 Post subject: quote

Seen Ras B...

Fiyah man, you have a serious habit of talking like you have the absolute and final truth about all kinds of matters when you don't always have in depth knowledge of what you pronounce on.

Sometimes the beginning of wisdom is to realise in humility that you don't necessarily have everything right, and that there might be more to learn than you have so far encountered.

You are always so dogmatic. Consider that sometimes you might not have all the pieces of the jigsaw.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 22:46 Post subject: quote

TALKING DOG-Oh yes...I will just bow at your feet and claim that I am so unworthy....What a bunch of baloney!....If you really knew me and if you read any of my posts....Then you would know that I do make mistakes...And I am not afraid to admit that.

Talking Dog-All you have ever done is criticize me and put me down since day one....I don't care though....I know how to handle people like you.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 23:18 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> yes...I will just bow at your feet and claim that I am so unworthy....What a bunch of baloney!..

easy man, he is not exalting himself or even claiming to have any answers but asking you to consider a bit of humility

Quote:

> ...And I am not afraid to admit that

hehehe, you could have fooled me

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That article sucks bigtime.

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Author	Message
Talking Dog Forum Veteran Joined: 29 May 2002 Posts: 289 Location: Shrewsbury, UK	Posted: 06 Dec 2003 23:21 Post subject: quote I am not down on you as a person - just the way you often reason here. My frustration, and even exasperation at times, is not from "day one" but has come from months and months of myself and others trying to reason with you. I just wish you could sometimes take on board even the most basic points we talk about. Like after all this time you still talk as if there is only one "real" version of rasta - *your* version (or is it Barrett's?). Why is it so hard for you to understand this basic point: that there are *many* different formulations of rasta identity, philosophy and theology? All adherents identify themesleves as rasta, but their beliefs and practices are not the same in content. Can you really not see this? Why can you not accept the evidence so many

people have laid before you on so many occasions?

Truly, I am perplexed and bewildered - you seem able to ignore all evidence and everything which anyone says that is contrary to what you have already decided is true.

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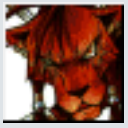

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 23:25 Post subject: quote

Why are you so concerned with rasta?

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 23:43 Post subject: quote

I am concerned that there should be a truthful, rather than dishonest and ignorant, representation of a group of people and their beliefs. How can we deal truthfully and honestly with a culture if we don't engage with it as it really is?

We have to really understand rasta TODAY, not how it was when Barrett was writing 25 years ago. Many things have changed since then, although of course some still fit his model.

It is also respectful to listen and gain insight into the beliefs of contemporary rastas who take the time and trouble to reason on a board like this one. I am grateful to Ras B and others for this.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 08 Dec 2003 03:11 Post subject: quote

I hope this firey intermezzo shows once again that this person calling himself after burning crosses is an AGENT PROVOCATEUR meaning he is not interested in reasoning, just to mash down every positive and constructive reasoning.

I ignore him because there's a difference in debating with fire and not debating let go reasoning.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/
Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 08 Dec 2003 05:28 Post subject: quote

MESSIAN DREAD-You may as well stop with your anti christian propaganda....My name is not named after burning crosses...I have told you this once before....It seems as if you are the rascist one here!...The name Cross Fiyah comes from a "cross fire" which I use every day...I make neon signs...I use a ribbon burner and a cross fire....Also it has to with the power of the cross and Christ who IS a consuming fire!...So if it REALLY bothers you that much...Then perhaps YOU are the rascist one...Trying to call me a rascist to cover up your own rascism!

I have no idea what you mean by an agent provocateur...I really don't....So how can I be one?....Noone knows what in the crap you are talking about!

He says I try to bring people away from any positive reasonings...UH...Don't I tell people to trust in Jesus?...Yes I do.

What exactly do you call positive?....Decieveing yourself?....I'm not going to sing anyone to sleep!....People need to wake up!...Including you!!

Your choosing to ignore me is showing your TRUE colors....And NO that is NOT a christian attitude...Have I done something to you?...If so tell me....You choosing to ignore me is just like treating me like a dead man.....You choose to treat me for dead in your mind and that is just like committing murder....Not just me..anyone you choose to ignore!.....Jesus said to go out and TELL...Not ignore!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 08 Dec 2003 08:10 Post subject: quote

PEOPLE!

Do not listen to this guy who calls himself Messian Dread when he accuses me of being...Whatever!??!

I don't even know this guy...But apparently he is an expert on me.....??GO FIGURE??

If you got something to say to me MESSIAN DREAD then say it!

And if you don't.....Then keep your phony expert analysis to yourself!

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 08 Dec 2003 11:00 Post subject: quote

I think it is time to drop this incendiary communication. With respect to all where it is due, I am out of here.

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d-range

Joined: 02 Mar 2003
Posts: 61
Location: venice / los angeles

Posted: 08 Dec 2003 17:09 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

> He's right on target with his descriptions of bands like "Stryper" (very very interesting to read)

what is that link, i looked for it.

and didn't find it.

i found a bunch of legalistic dung that grated my spirit.

i would be interested to see what you agreed with and found interesting though.

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There is some fiction in your truth,

and some truth in your fiction.

To know the truth, you must risk everything.

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 09 Dec 2003 05:43 Post subject: quote just look in the christian rock section. From the link i gave it shouldn't be more then two links. Now I'm off to sleep _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Tenor Diamond

Joined: 05 Nov 2003
Posts: 22
Location: swEDEN

Posted: 09 Dec 2003 16:08 Post subject: quote

TO cross fiyah: ras tafari was a christian and why aren't you if you call youreself a rasta follower? You are to angry. Humble youreself.

_____
My Bible is my only shield and the music is my rod

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 09 Dec 2003 16:39 Post subject: quote

Woooooh ....duck and run for cover...

I think it would be true to say Fiyah would NOT call himself a follower of rasta...

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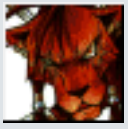
cross fiyah
Forum Veteran



Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 10 Dec 2003 07:16 Post subject: quote

No I do not call myself rasta....No I am not angry at christians or rastas.....I am angry at satan for misleading both groups.

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JohnForte

Joined: 23 Mar 2004
Posts: 13
Location: Front Royal, VA

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 19:49 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> i read that article a few months ago and I was quite disappointed. Like Pete said it was shallow showing no real understanding of the topic other than what some one else thought. I get disgusted with these types of "Religious" hating. Yes there were some good points raised, and the is concerned about Holiness, but they also forget about Love and Mercy...
>

I agree completely. Instead of hating one another and looking at our faults, let us Praise God together.

Just to clear things up, Jah is not "rastafarian" for God. They don't have their own language. It's an abbreviation.

From dictionary.new-frontier.info - the free dictionary.

abbreviation
shortened form of Jehovah, God's personal name in the Bible. Often appearing as part of Biblical names as "-iah", or "jeho-" as in Isaiah, Jeremiah, Jehoshua, and Jehosaphat, and Hebrew words like "Hallelujah".

Has anyone ever researched Haile Selassie I? He was undoubltedly one of the greatest emporers of Ethiopia, if not many nations. He was a devout Christian, and he furthered human progress greatly. He wasn't a rasta, and wasn't aware that people viewed him as a God until later in his reign. He does belong to the line of David of the tribe of Judah. Oh yeah, just to everyone know, Jesus wasn't white, he probably looke like someone who lived in that part of the world. But that's not important. A group of rastas once tried to visit the palace when Selassie was there, and they were turned right around at the palace doors and couldn't go any further. Instead of criticizing this religion, we should praise them for spreading the message of love, and witness to them about Jesus Christ.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 20:44 Post subject: quote

JAH is not an abbreviation. It **IS** another name of the LORD.

Psalms 68:4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.
KJV

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JohnForte

Joined: 23 Mar 2004
Posts: 13
Location: Front Royal, VA

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 20:55 Post subject: quote

True. But an abbreviation is still a word, still another name for God.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 23:01 Post subject: quote

JohnForte,
Why are you taking the truth personal? This has nothing to do with our other reasonings!

Abbreviations are not words!!! K F C is not a word. A B C is not a word.
N B C is not a word. They are abbreviations for such words.

JAH Is a name for our FATHER, LORD, JEHOVAH. Names.

It is a misconception that JAH is short for Jehovah. Get it?

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 24 Mar 2004 23:59 Post subject: quote It is a contraction for Jehovah right? Different than an abbreviation. _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 00:38 Post subject: quote

Actually warrior KFC, NBC, ect. are more technically called acronyms, but never the less, that is not the point.

From strongs hebrew dictionary on the word JAH:

Quote:

> 03050. hy Yahh, yaw
>
> contraction for 3068, and meaning the same; Jah, the sacred name:--Jah, the Lord, most vehement. Compare names in "-iah," "- jah."

From websters english dictionary (american edition) (refering to it being used here):

Quote:

> Contraction n. 3. a shortened form of a word or group of words, with the letters that were left out often replaced in written English by an apotrophe, such as *isn't* for *is not, they're* for *they are, or e'er* for *ever.*

Also in websters:

Quote:

> Abbreviation n. 1. a shortened form of a word or phrase used to represent the whole, as *Dr.* for *Docter.*

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 02:27 Post subject: quote

It's a biblical abbreviation.

How's that?

_____

One Love,

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JuHok
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Aug 2003
Posts: 179
Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 19:25 Post subject:

I read that article few weeks ago too, and well I couldn't believe my eyes. Ok there were some points but mostly it was total lies. Now I had some time to check out some other sections of that site and well I had a great laughter and at the same time sadness in my spirit. It's so sad that there are people who use their energy in mocking other christians, just because they feel like they are right and everyone else is wrong. So sad so sad. That man perverts everything to follow his own goals. There's a similar kind of man over here in Finland who has his own radio-programm where he tells all kinds of lies and weird dogmas of his own. I think that these people do more harm than good.

blessings †
ps. that 666-watch was the funniest part.

_____
In only one name.

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http://mthnoshow.tulkinta.net/

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 19:43 Post subject:

That Stryper part is very interesting. But their info on Rastafari is absurd. Still it is what most christians think about Rasta.

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tdfriday

Joined: 30 Jan 2004
Posts: 55
Location: Trini in NYC

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 20:02 Post subject: quote

The biggest trick of the enemy - the devil - is deception. To make us think that the things which are righteous are evil, and the things that are evil are righteous. The deception is rather very subtle, in that we get hung up on the little things, instead of the REAL issues. Personally, I think the the entire website is deceptive. It's loaded with lies, and inaccuracies. Obviously designed for an individual or group to showcase their own propaganda.
We fuss, and fight and the devil laughs.
Sometimes, we can win if we simply agree to disagree.

Terrance

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"...the Utmost for the Highest"

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 20:06 Post subject: quote

In anyway he did not reply to comments.

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Author	Message
Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 299 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 25 Oct 2004 23:27 Post subject: FAQ: Should Christians call themselves "Rastas?" quote

I am not trying to dig up old bones but i noticed that the FAQ recently in question was changed. So it no longer directly states that I-man and those sharing the same views are deceivers and decieved. it now indirectly states that InI are misleading and deceptive. the statement is made that --

Quote:

> Though there are some rastas that are Christians and some Christians that call themselves rastas,

in my opinion a christian should not call themself a rasta and a rasta should not call themself a christian. a rasta is a rasta and a christian is a christian but that doesnt mean they cannot both believe in the same Messiah, but like i said on the MD thread the two are completely different in livity, mentaity, practice and concept.

it goes on to say--

Quote:

> How then can you be the salt and light of the world, when each of your actions and testimonies are being interpreted for the benefit and furtherance of Rastafari and not Christendom?

fire burn that! what is this about religion or relationship with the Messiah? who cares what furthers a particular religious system? isnt it the true knowledge and faith in the Messiah that is what

matters? wether some one calls themself a fulfilled rasta, a messianic Jew , a Messianic Muslim (and yes there is such a thing) or a christian who cares if they have relationship with the messiah and understand and follow the truth of Jah.
on top of that who is it to say and RasTaman cannot be salt and light!?

another thing i dont like--

> **Quote:**
>
> . If you look like a Rasta, walk like a Rasta, talk like a Rasta, and call yourself a Rasta, then guess what? You ARE a Rasta.

fire pon that as well i dont care how you look, talk, call, walk, limp or crawl, if one does not live and believe as a Rasta then they are **not** a rasta

in my opinion these changes didnt really change anything it just made more false statements

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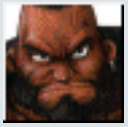
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 454
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 00:17 Post subject: Re: FAQ: Should Christians call themselves "Rastas?&quo quote

> **Ras B wrote:**
>
> I am not trying to dig up old bones but i noticed that the FAQ recently in question was changed.... in my opinion these changes didnt really change anything it just made more false statements

Interesting. I guess this is one of those "Watch out, you might get what you're after" moments: People wanted the FAQ changed, but not like this!

> **Quote:**
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I disagree somewhat. I think some Rastas and some Christians are extremely close to each other in all those ways, while others

are much farther apart, and some fall in the middle (being similar in some things and different in others).

I am a Christian and do not call myself any different. And I have met some Rastas who were, as far as I could tell, just as Christian as plenty of other Christians I know, if not moreso. I consider those Rastas Christians, whether they want to use the term or not. If such Rastas do want to call themselves Christians, I do not consider that misleading or deceptive in any way.

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I believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost; I endorse the Nicean Creed... I shall never hold Christ responsible for the commercialization of Christianity. —Marcus Garvey

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yahshua3

Joined: 26 Oct 2004
Posts: 3
Location: earth

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 01:08 Post subject: sellassie christian quote

well, as far as i know ithiopia and its people wanted a christian king on the throne... h.i.m.
so, how can one say a ras isn't christian!!!
i guess the question is did the work of his majesty fullfill the scriptures???
is the book opened? are the seven seals loose?

behold, "the lion of the tribe of judah" is worthy to open the book and loose the seven seals there of...

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MarkMohr
Current Christafari Band Member

Joined: 28 Nov 2001
Posts: 123
Location: LA, CA, USA

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 07:03 Post subject: quote

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Should this then be changed to the politically correct:

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a Selassie worshipper rather than a follower of Christ?

Would this be better. And I did not appreciate your Sizzla like "Fire Burn That." You did know that I wrote this FAQ, so if in the future, you have a problem please e-mail me with your proposed solution. [/b][/u]

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Joined: 14 Aug 2003
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Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 08:08 Post subject: quote

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Joined: 30 Aug 2004
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Location: ohio, us

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 15:03 Post subject: quote

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Reggae D.O

Joined: 09 Jun 2003
Posts: 94
Location: CA

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 16:05 Post subject: quote

Don't WE ALL have a RIGHT to say whom we think the messiah is? I sure do, and I'll say it...Jesus Christ. Blessings. Rootsdr.

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"...on the continual quest for righteousness." Blessings.

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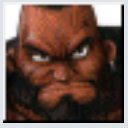

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But I have more concerns with this:
[quote=MarkMohr]How then can you be the salt and light of the world, when each of your actions and testimonies are being interpreted as the works of a Selassie worshipper rather than a follower of Christ?[/quote]

The Rasta complaint about the FAQ is that *the FAQ is the reason* that so many Christians assume that Rastas all worship Selassie, when, in reality, so many do not. In other words, there are many Rastas here who believe that their works would *not* "be interpreted as the works of a Selassie worshipper rather than a follower of Christ" if the FAQ was not misleading people about their beliefs.

I am not a Rasta, but I do see this point. As long as Christians perpetuate the wrong idea that all Rastas worship Selassie, many

Rastas will be unjustly misunderstood. It is our responsibility as Christians to be honest, fair, and just, and not to misrepresent Rastafari to our fellow Christians.

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 16
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 19:21 Post subject: ... quote

greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Savior Yahshua Immanuel!

This is rather ridiculous when you look at with logic and reason. There should be no conflict such as these, and i say that if you have conflict over this issue you are either ignornant or not a true Christian, for if you have an issue with Rastafarians not being the same as Christians then you are not showing the brotherly love and equality of Yahshua's Christianity to begin with. So Naphty is going to clear some things up, as i have already posted on this subject before.

If you are an American, does that mean that you are not a Christian? I wouldn't think that anybody here would argue that point, because the definition of American is clear, meaning that which is related to or involved with America. The suffix "an" and "ian" are one and the same, so those who are Rastafarians, are simply those who are related to or involved with Rastafari. Well Rastafari is a big concept, including Ethiopia, African Liberation/Development, Equality and Justice, Brotherly Love, to sum it up, One God, One Aim, and One Destiny, at home and abroad.

It is not by definition a religion, where as some Rastafarians are very religious in their beliefs, just as some Americans are so patriotic it borders on religious zeal. So there should be no difference. A Rastafarian can be equally a Christian, and no Rastafarian should be offended by this because Rastafarians seek Christ, and no Christian should be offended either. The difference is that most Christians do not see Ethiopia, nor African Liberation as a key issue in their life, and so they are not Rastafarians. However, if they become conscious regarding these crucial issues, then they evolve to the level of Rastafari because their are dealing with African issues. That is what Rastafari is centered on, not religion or worship, for in Rastafari worship seems to be the right of the individual, not a mandate, so it is clearly a more political

movement then a religion. This needs to be cleared up, because to many people see it as some cult or fanatic religion, which it isn't. It is a political movement aiming at African Liberation and Human Equality. So how could most Christians, who should profess brotherly love and equality, not be Rastafarians?

Yours in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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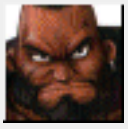

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I think we agree.

Regarding Europe being called "Christendom": Europeans, in those days, called *all* Christian nations and Christians members of "Christendom." *Theoretically*, therefore, they were including non-European Christians in the term.

The difficulty is that most Europeans at that time had very little interaction with non-European Christians, if any. They were separated from them geographically, linguistically, culturally, and so forth. And most of the non-Europeans that Europeans did meet in medieval times, especially if the Europeans did not live on the Asian border, were not Christians. It would not be surprising therefore, if they mistakenly thought that all Christians were European.

It would be a mistake, of course, because there were many African and Asian Christians throughout that time. But a Danish or English Christian of the medieval era may be somewhat excused

for his ignorance, since he had no contact with the Christians in India (for example). He simply did not know they existed.

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Ras BModeratorJoined: 15 Aug 2003Posts: 219Location: Trinidad and Tabago Posted: Sat Jun 12, 2004 10:10 am Post subject:

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Dear All,
I know that this is a Christian web site, I am often refered to as a Christian of which I am, and am happy with, but according to my declaration I am a rasta.

I have tried to talk on doctrine but it is not easy, the web site of http://www.tabot.net/ will be available soon, though it may tarry wait for it.

I my self and by no means the head of the ministry, and I do not have all his ability, there-fore wait for the site and our doctrine of faith, in its clarity.

I am not here to evangelise you, but considering much of what I regularly here on this site, our ministry http://www.tabot.net/ is really needed.

In London I know of one may be there are more churches that are rasta, and well known among the rasta core community.

Again there is variance in doctrine or mission of some kind, I my self am not qualified to speak on them, they are who they are as are we.

I think in answer to ras B question the scripture declares that the same Jesus would return, and that he would have the new name,,,,, debate able what it is or shall be, but some believe it to be Haile Selassie as we know.

Do wait for the sites completion...

Thankyou,

Ras Gabre

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Gabre

Please read the following verse in your Bible...Don't just read one verse!...Read the the one right after it tells of him coming with a new name.

If you continue reading...It tells you CLEARLY what Christ will be called.

And it is NOT rasta or Haile Selassie!

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What I find to be real strange is how rastas talk about Christ coming with a new name...They say His name will be Haile Selassie....I say that is complete and total hogwash!!

They are revolving around one verse and one verse only!

If they would just continue reading the very next verse it does tell clearly what His name will be!...And to be totally honest with you...It really is nothing new...Christ is called by that name right now!

Also there are many places in the Bible where God gave new names to people...Not himself!.....Example....Abram was changed to Abraham.....Saul was changed to Paul.

So how are you guys so convinced that the new name will Christ's and not ours??

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Completely in agreement.

They might think this is just a discussion on a forum and it still is. But it could become a source for an article somewehere else. And it will...

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And that article will make great kindling!!

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cross fiyah, you always seam to be pritty angry,

what isactly is the verse your talking about, please don't be criptic if i am wrong as you see it please enlighten me,

you currently remind me of pauls passion, when he whent against Jesus Christ followers,

i don't wan't to up set you know but you do keep adding these one liner comments which encourage very little possitivve aguement,

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 14 Jun 2004 17:20 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Completely in agreement.
>
> They might think this is just a discussion on a forum and it still is. But it could become a source for an article somewehere else. And it will...

Ill be watching for this article. I would be happy to comment or give 2nd opinions. Let me know what da deal.

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 15 Jun 2004 03:17 Post subject: quote I would be interested in this article, also. With all of the RasTa/Ethio symbolism, I am surprised that there is not more reasoning about RasTa, Afrika, etc. from the band. Posting on the board would not be a good idea. That would be target practice for some. Some essays and articles would probably be helpful for all of those individuals that view Christafari as their main source of RasTa info. Isn't Mr. Mohr writing a book? Maybe all of this info will be included in the book. _____ http://www.aaronjudah.com/ RasTafari Meditation
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 03:24 Post subject: quote

Yes I know MM writes a book. Without getting too different-topic, I do agree when people who question the FAQ to more or less sit and wait since the answer is "no longer do these faq's carry the current opinnions and stances of LOZ", book or not, these faqs must be updated. Not everyone reads the book.
The FAQ is where people find the doctrines of Christafari.
I will be writing about these matters indeed.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/
Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 07:09 Post subject: quote

Gabre

You don't know which verse I am talking about?...Well you are the one that brought up the subject about Christ coming with a new name.

Do you know what that shows me?....That shows me that you are not studying the Bible for yourself....You are just listening to man and taking man's word for it....That is not wise friend!

Since you are the one that brought up the subject.....You should know exactly which verse I am talking about.

Let me ask you the exact same question....Which verse are you talking about?

No sir....I am not trying to discourage believers in Jesus Christ.....I myself am a believer!....So I really don't know what you mean there.

Let us discuss this without getting upset at each other.....Things

are cool with me.....I'm not trying to be hard here.....Let us discuss this in peace!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 07:12 Post subject: quote

MD

You know...There is a BIG difference in a doctrine and a belief.

I would advise you to learn the difference!

There is no such thing as a Christafari doctrine....So why are you trying to make one up?

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MarkMohr
Current Christafari Band Member

Joined: 28 Nov 2001
Posts: 122
Location: LA, CA, USA

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 07:20 Post subject: The Doctrine of Christafari quote

Well, the word "Doctrine,"simply means "Teaching." The following is what I teach in Christafari and in the Gathering. It is not a list of what I do NOT teach--that post would fill volumes.
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WE TEACH that there is one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1,26; Matthew 28:19; John 1:1-3, 4:24; Acts 5:3-4; Romans 1:20; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Ephesians 4:5-6)

WE TEACH that Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, and is fully God and fully man. (Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38; Romans 9:5; Titus 2:13)

WE TEACH that the Bible is the complete, inspired Word of God, without error in its original manuscripts. The Bible is our supreme and final authority in faith and life. (Isaiah 40:8; Matthew 5:18,

24:35; 2 Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 4:12; 2 Peter 1:20-21)

WE TEACH that man was created in the image of God, that he sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death which is separation from God, and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature, and become guilty sinners in thought, word and deed. (Genesis 1:26-27; 3:1-24; Romans 3:25, 5:12-18; 1 John 1:

WE TEACH that the Lord Jesus died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; that He bodily rose victorious from the grave on the third day; and that all who believe in Him are justified on the basis of His shed blood. (Matthew 20:28, 28:6; John 3:16; Romans 3:24-26, 5:1, 10:9; 1 Corinthians 15:3, 14;2 Corinthians 5:21; Ephesians 1:7; 1 John 2:2)

WE TEACH the personal and imminent return of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

WE TEACH that all who come by grace through faith to accept the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God forever. (John 1:12-13, 3:3-5; Ephesians 2:8-9; James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23)
WE TEACH that while without faith it is impossible to please God, the possession of faith does not ensure health or prosperity. (Luke 9:22-27; 2 Corinthians 11:23-31, 12:7-10; Philippians 1:29-30; 2 Timothy 3:8-12; Hebrew 11:6, 32-40)

WE TEACH the bodily resurrection of the just and unjust, the everlasting joy of the saved and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost. (Matthew 25:31-46; John 5:28-29; 1 Corinthians 15:12-57; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Revelation 20:4-6, 11-15)

WE TEACH that all Christians are baptized by the Holy Spirit and

permanently indwelt by Him at the point of salvation. The filling of the Holy Spirit is meant to be a continuous experience for the believer through submission to His controlling authority and power. (John 14:16, 15:5; Romans 6:3-5, 8:9-11; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 5:15-21)

WE TEACH that the body of Christ, the church, is composed of interdependent members who are born again, each having received from the Holy Spirit gifts which are to be exercised for the building up of the whole body. No one gift is given to all believers nor indicates regeneration, filling, or baptism with the Holy Spirit. (Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13; Ephesians 2:14-20, 4:4-16)

WE TEACH baptism (by submersion in water) in the name of the Father, the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit. Baptism is not necessary for salvation. It is an outward demonstration of the individual's inward conviction and a matter of obedience to our Lord. We teach that Christ commanded His church to baptize believers as a proclamation of their faith and identification with Him and His church, and to celebrate communion as a living memorial of His redemptive death and as a reminder of present fellowship with Christ and His body. (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:28-47, 8:36-40, 10:47, 18:8; Romans 6:3-5; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29)

Blessings in Christ,
Mark Mohr
Christafari/The Gathering/Lion of Zion

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 07:26 Post subject: quote

Mark you are exactly right!

My only point was and is this:....There is only ONE doctrine..And that is the doctrine of YHVH.

Anything else is just a belief.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 07:38 Post subject: quote

After all...God(YHVH) is the ONLY teacher.

We are just the students!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 15 Jun 2004 08:51 Post subject: quote

Gabre

Revalation 19:12-13

You will find your answer in verse 13.....Don't just read verse 12 and stop there.....Continue reading on to the next verse.....AND HIS NAME IS CALLED THE WORD OF GOD.

There is your answer!.....It is NOT rasta or Haile Selassie.....It is THE WORD OF GOD.

There is alot more to say about this subject....I will continue later.

I am just curious Gabre....What verse were you talking about?

Let's keep it cool!...PEACE!

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Author	Message
EarthEden Forum Veteran Joined: 10 Jun 2002 Posts: 106 Location: P.O. Box 142,Ojai,CA 93024	Posted: 12 Jun 2002 17:05 Post subject: quote I am wondering, are there Ganja-Free Reggae artists...some who are not even Gospel artists? Also, would it not be cool if there was a network dedicated to the promotion of Ganja-FREE Reggae artists?
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erich Joined: 20 Mar 2002 Posts: 24	Posted: 14 Jun 2002 22:59 Post subject: quote Greetings. Lucy Dube, is a South African born-and-beased Rasta and International Reggae Artist who does not smoke or promote the use of Ganja, but his lyrics are filled with confusion and false doctrine. Ive met many more Rasta, and Rasta related people who smoke ganja and are not far from the Kingdom than those who are maybe, 'clean' but filled with deception and lies. +People in the middle. My point being, Everyone got sin, and so it is about what God is doing and who he is working with that is important to focuss on. peace
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EarthEden
Forum Veteran

Joined: 10 Jun 2002
Posts: 106
Location: P.O. Box 142,Ojai,CA 93024

Posted: 14 Jun 2002 23:40 Post subject: quote

Oddly enough, this is true. My brother is very wise in knowing Scriptures and the Bible but he is blinded by think smoking pot is ok. He is 43 and has smoked pot since about age 11. As i said he is very into God and the Bible but I wish he was not addicted to weed...He always forgots appointments and can not remember dates...

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 06 Sep 2002 20:07 Post subject: quote

I will take this time to mention that it is not the marijuana that makes a person like that...

Certain personality types are attracted to certain mind-altering substances. I was blessed by JAH with a photographic memory, and to this day still hold it. Marijuana does NOT kill brain cells, the research is on marijuana.com, but it comes from a more nuetral source. I do not advocate it for everyone, I do not even recomend it...but if you were born to be a user of ghanja, you already know who you are...if you weren't and use it anyway, you will quit eventually and it will be of no difference to InI either way.

-Cdub-

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PeaceLoveInity
RasTalawa

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 07 Sep 2002 00:55 Post subject: quote

If this were only true...

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 08 Sep 2002 20:22 Post subject: quote

I almost believe that there isn't such a thing as a ganja free reggae artist that aren't Christian. Who knows, I could be wrong.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 09 Sep 2002 00:24 Post subject: quote

Linton Kwesie Johnson.

Lucky Dube.

Russ D (Disciples).

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/

Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 09 Sep 2002 16:23 Post subject: quote

you beat me to it bro...

PeaceLoveInity

C*dub

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Author	Message
raggamuffinmon Joined: 04 Nov 2002 Posts: 1	Posted: 20 Nov 2002 19:35 Post subject: quote Man, reggae without Ganja is like Harold Melvin without the Bluenotes! I just don't work out. Tha Ganj adds a certain substance to the reggae vibe, it kinda lets the artist's creative mentality take over. When listening to some dud while blazed you sometimes might find yourself bobbing to the music without even noticing it. But, Thats just my opinion, and no I've never heard of a Non-Ganj Reggae Band or artist.
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Natty 'twan Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Nov 2001 Posts: 173 Location: ventura Ca.	Posted: 20 Nov 2002 23:46 Post subject: quote i disagree reggae music comes from the heart not from the ganja. it dont matter wether person smoke or dont smoke it matter whats in the heart and how those heart feelings are expressed. [This Message was edited by: Natty 'twan on 2002-11-20 17:47]
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Talawa

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 59
Location: Sweden

Posted: 21 Nov 2002 21:43 Post subject: quote

Yes! there are humble ganja-free reggae!

The rootsreggaeband Nazarenes with the two brothers Noah & Medhane Tewolde from Eritrea living in Gotheburg - Sweden sings beautiful african reggae! They are of the christian ortodox faith. Nazarenes are like the Abyssinians or Israel Vibration without the rasta and ganja message. Their language is Tigrinja but they also sing in english.
They have made one record so far, called ORIT. Their homepage is currently not available

I myself have been playing drums in a reggaeband for about ten years doing concerts mostly im my hometown Gothenburg. Ganja free! Yes I know that we are totally unknown to the BIG world but the people attending our small shows and the people we have been working with have met one tiny sound of reggae that is not infected by drugs - and that is at least something...

Jah bless you all!

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"It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

[This Message was edited by: Talawa on 2002-11-21 15:45]

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I

Joined: 28 Nov 2002
Posts: 16
Location: Iceland

Posted: 28 Nov 2002 12:11 Post subject: quote

Ganj or not Ganja , thats the question...
I myself have often smoked Ganja but it seems to have had something 2 do with my mental health..i dont know right now if my illness i got into was because of that because when God created earth he made it good..maybe my so called ill mental health was caused by something else or maybe it didnt even exist since i feel just fine today.
But i dont smoke alot of Ganja anymore i preferbly dont smoke it.=)

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Sisteren Jahmah

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 64
Location: Portland, Oregon

Posted: 09 Mar 2003 01:59 Post subject: quote

Greetings I-gain,

i personally havent met an Ethiopian reggae band that sang with truly Christ in them hearts most know they can profit from being Ethiopian and playing some reggae and some rastas at the same time.

being in the EOC doesnt gaurantee them is truly filled with Iyesus .

I have spent some time in the Ethiopian churces and tell some differences,

Let us be filled with his SPIRIT !

LION OF ZION have nuff annointed reggae !!!!

one love in Christ

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raggajones

Joined: 18 Mar 2003
Posts: 6

Posted: 19 Mar 2003 02:06 Post subject: quote

Mutaburuka doesn't smoke ganja, but I believe he make tea out of it.

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Author	Message
Reggae D.O Joined: 09 Jun 2003 Posts: 96 Location: CA	Posted: 20 Oct 2004 06:20 Post subject: Glorifying God?? quote I am sorry if this post is in the wrong place, but it seems appropriate. Do you all think that these Christian/Rasta discussions glorify God? What do you think he is thinking about as he looks down over us? How much more productive could we be as Christians and Rasta's if we just forgot about some of this insignificant stuff and starting talking about ways which we could better ourselves in the eyes of God? Please don't jump all over the 'insignificant' term. Please (insert whatever word you like there). I think this forum needs a complete overhaul...nobody is going to change their opinions on certain topics...let's accpet that and move on! I could only imagine the outpouring of blessings if we all helped each other stand tall and and live strong for Jesus. I can only imagine how tired some of you must be whom have been involved in these neverending, cyclical discussions. We are causing division amongst God's people. We ALL are! (I will be the first in line to accept blame). Can we at least try something new? Maybe a new approach at things? Please don't respond with any quotes from the FAQ...this is beyond that. We are the ones whom shape these discussions. The FAQ is only involved if we drag quotes in here. Forget the FAQ! I will pray that we all find God's purpose for these discussions we have here...I personally have been involved in some very meaningful ones. Blessings. Rootsdr. _____ "...on the continual quest for righteousness." Blessings.

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JahWarrior

Joined: 08 Oct 2004
Posts: 14
Location: Germany

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 07:03 Post subject: quote

Big Up!

That's what Selassie seaid and what I am trying to tell people all the time. We are spiritual kinsmen. (In Germany it is the same problem. They are word fighting all the time as if it would be most important to be the one who's right)

JW

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LISTEN 2 UR HEART + USE UR BRAIN!

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 323
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 08:35 Post subject: quote

Reggae D.O. I feel what you are saying. Personally I have come to understand God more by reading/participating in discussion with the brothers and sisters here, to which I turn around and Give God back the glory for bringing me knowledge wisdom and overstanding! Is God glorified? Yeah sure. Do we get heated sometimes and say things we should not? yeah sure. We are still human. I fundamentally believe that we are here to bear witness to one another to God.. as God's creations. Everything we do wether we realize it or not is a testimony to God because we are his creation. The sooner we realize it, the better of course. This forum has helped many I believe.

There are plenty of other website forums out there which may engage in similar discussion about Christianity and Rasta but few that I have seen as being productive. I have been having this discussion at work as well about denominations claiming to be "right" and my good friend gave me this analogy so I will pass it on to everyone reading:

We need to act more like organisms that make up the body of Christ rather than acting and behaving like organizations making up the body of Christ. In other words, when we put down our institutional pride and recognize that we all need each other and can learn to grown in Christ

through each other, then we make progress!

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Enter the mind of the CoolPoet

http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete

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Reggae D.O

Joined: 09 Jun 2003
Posts: 96
Location: CA

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 15:22 Post subject: quote

coolpoete wrote:

> In other words, when we put down our institutional pride and recognize that we all need each other and can learn to grown in Christ through each other, then we make progress!

Thank you Coolpoete. I guess I just am not seeing much growth in some of these discussions. It seems more about someone being Right and the other Wrong. I understand the rest of your post. Blessings. Rootsdr.

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"...on the continual quest for righteousness." Blessings.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 316
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 22:18 Post subject: quote

another ting for thought, InI might not see the change in people here. man and man is prideful. minds and hearts could be changing right before the eyes but because of pride ones might not admit that. i have had some pretty heated reasoning before in person where the reasoning itself didnt show any fruit i only saw the fruit in the life and the lifestyle of the person weeks later. reasoning is how people learn and either strengthen their beliefs or change them. some issues get well dragged out before one party or another sees the light or a point of a situation. i am not speaking on any topic specifically but reasoning in general

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 430
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 22:27 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> another ting for thought, InI might not see the change in people here. man and man is prideful. minds and hearts could be changing right before the eyes but because of pride ones might not admit that. i have had some pretty heated reasoning before in person where the reasoning itself didnt show any fruit i only saw the fruit in the life and the lifestyle of the person weeks later. reasoning is how people learn and either strengthen their beliefs or change them. some issues get well dragged out before one party or another sees the light or a point of a situation. i am not speaking on any topic specifically but reasoning in general

I was thinking something simular to this and it is very true. I will be the first one to admit that I have and continue to grow through reasonings here and with local believers where I live.

It's like a biblical sword fight. Not to win. But to sharpen one another for the real spiritual battle against the enemy and those wicked schemes! (which we face each day) I don't think any of us here are enemies

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Reggae D.O

Joined: 09 Jun 2003
Posts: 96
Location: CA

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 00:24 Post subject: quote

Sounds good...I guess I have been misinterpreting some of the "reasonings" here at times. I am glad I am wrong. Blessings. Rootsdr.

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"...on the continual quest for righteousness." Blessings.

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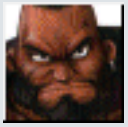
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 494
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 17:10 Post subject: Re: Glorifying God??

> **Reggae D.O wrote:**
>
> Do you all think that these Christian/Rasta discussions glorify God?

When they promote a deeper understanding of truth, a deeper understanding of each other, and greater love, empathy, and compassion for each other, I think they do glorify Jah.

> **Quote:**
>
> What do you think he is thinking about as he looks down over us?

I think God probably laughs at us. Not in a cruel mockery, but seeing how foolish we all are and loving us anyway.

> **Quote:**
>
> Can we at least try something new? Maybe a new approach at things?

I don't see why not. Try some stuff and see what works!

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Author	Message
knyce2002 Joined: 14 Apr 2004 Posts: 2	Posted: 23 Apr 2004 01:42 Post subject: Haile Selassie quote I have a friend who is a Rasta. He tells me what he believes but I'm not quite sure how he believe that Haile Selassie is the supposed Lion of Judah. Can you help me figure this out so I know how to talk to him about it. Thanks and Jah bless.
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MarkMohr Current Christafari Band Member Joined: 28 Nov 2001 Posts: 122 Location: LA, CA, USA	Posted: 27 Apr 2004 23:26 Post subject: quote Haile Selassie I NOT the Lion of the Tribe of Jufah spoken of in the Book of Revelation. He was a Christian, that denied being Christ, and has since passed away to be with our Lord. You can discuss this topic in the Rastafari section of this forum. Also, please e-mail me at Mark@lionofzion.com and I will forward you something that may help a lot. Blessings in Christ, Mark Mohr
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Ras Christian

Joined: 31 Aug 2004
Posts: 7

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 07:12 Post subject: Lion Of Judah

quote

Actually through blood geeology Haile Selassie Is the Lion Of Judah. Many Christians say it is Jesus because Joseph was his legal father, but geneology is not through paperwork but through blood. Haile Selassie I is the 323rd greater grand son of Menilek I (son of Solomon and Sheba), 225th King of Judah since Menilek. To be the Lion Of Judah you must go through David and then Solomon, Jesus is through blood through Mary and mary is through Nathan then David. Nathan not Solomon. So really through Blood geneology Haile Selassie I is the Lion Of Judah. I don't mean to cause any form of animosity since this is a Christian site. I am of the Rasatafari faith and when someone speaks of I n I king, I am ready, blessings, and guidance.....

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Irie-in-Christ
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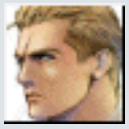

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Bless!
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'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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JahTed

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Posted: 05 Oct 2004 03:53 Post subject: quote

Irie in Christ
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Greetings once again to all in the Holy name of His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie King of kings Lord of Lords, Elect of God, light of this world.

So the Idren want scientific and historical proof of H.I.M lineage.What a pity. You can't overstand RasTafari Livity - Word Sound Power. For InI RasTafari is a rebirth or a rebegining in this Iternally journey of life. InI study life on this material plane which is temporary and as a result get in touch with that which is spiritual and for Iver. The ancients were adept at doing this. Seeing (with the mind) the spirit world is an art form that is alien to most modern man especially these so call theologians.

His majesty can trace His ancestry back some four thousand years. And it can go back much, much further than that to when Itiopia ruled Kemit. InI are not fools. If you want to worship a nebulus man who is going to come thru the sky, just gwaan. For InI there is no reality in that.

Peace in Selassie.

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MarkMohr
Current Christafari Band Member

Joined: 28 Nov 2001
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Posted: 08 Oct 2004 19:49 Post subject: Respect, but I must correct

Ras Christian and Ras Ted, I must respectfully write my response to your emphasis on the Davidic root of Haile Selassie.

Even though Selassie is said to be the two hundred and twenty-fifth emperor of the Solomonic dynasty, a direct descendent from the root of David, I question the accuracy of this statement. Many authors say that "he Said that he came from David's root," some say that "he supposedly came from the lineage of Solomon" Yet others like Barrett (in his book "The Rastafarians") say that he "placed himself in the legendary line of king Solomon" (81). In discussing this with Mesghina G-Medhin, Director of International Studies and former North Ethiopian (which is now Eritrea) he said "That is ridiculous!" claiming that it was a lie. (Mesghina) I have yet to find any sort of accurate lineage documents. Contrary to the lack of evidence, Selassie was believed to be the Messiah because he was a direct descendant of king Solomon and king David. In contrast to all of this jargon, Jesus Christ was born from the direct lineage of King David and King Solomon so He need not be born of it again (Matt 1:6-7).
Many Rastafarians base their faith on this lineage. The controversy of someone making these claims of lineage is not new, for in the New Testament Paul writes to the Church in Ephesus over this same subject. He rebukes them and urges them to turn away from this meaningless talk;

"Command certain men not to teach false doctrines any longer nor to devote themselves to myths and endless genealogies. These promote controversies rather than God's work-which is by faith." I Timothy 1:3b-4 (NIV)

In the preceding verse Paul uses the word "myth" to explain what these people believe. In the King James version the word "fables" is used as a translation of the Greek word "mythos". "The word "fables" occurs in the King James Version New Testament five times. (I Tim 1:4; 4:7; II Tim 4:4; Titus 1:14; 2 Peter 1:16) The NIV has "cleverly invented stories" in II Peter 1:16, "Myths"

elsewhere; other versions variously use "fables," "legends," "myths," and "tales." (Douglas 341) Despite these scriptures, fables, legends, myths and tales are exactly what Rastafarians use to prove Selassie's lineage. They read stories of Queen Sheba and King Solomon that are often printed in Ethiopian folklore, reggae magazines and elsewhere. These stories are not Biblical for they add to what the Bible has said. In fact, they were not even considered to be put in the cannon (the inspired scriptures). Since these stories are not biblical, even if they are true, we should not base our lives and our decisions on them. The Bible commands us not to add these writings to our beliefs or basis of understanding God for that is adding to the scripture;

"I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book." Revelation 22:18

Adding is exactly what many do, for in writing about the coming of His Majesty Jesus Christ, Peter said

"We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty." I Peter 1:16

Since our Messiah has already come from the root of David and the Bible does not ever speak of Him being born of it twice, I believe along the lines of Titus, that these claims are unprofitable and not necessary to our faith;

"But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless." Titus 3:9 (NIV)

When Jesus Christ was born of the Lineage of David and atoned for our sins, He ended all necessity for the further studies of genealogies. "It is certain that the New Testament shows far less concern for the genealogy of human beings than does the Old Testament. In the Old Testament, God was bringing together a chosen people who would be a nation peculiarly devoted to preserving His revelation until, in the fullness of time, He sent His Son, who would draw to Himself a new people, united not by

descent from common human ancestry but by a genealogy of one generation only: children of God by a new and spiritual birth." (Douglas 379)

Peace and love

Mark Mohr

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Irie-in-Christ
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Posted: 08 Oct 2004 20:57 Post subject:

Amen to that, Mark!

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Bless!

Jochem

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'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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2/3 clave

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Posted: 08 Oct 2004 22:50 Post subject:

Predica la palabra!!! Marcos

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coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 322 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 02:46 Post subject: Re: Respect, but I must correct quote **MarkMohr wrote:** Many Rastafarians base their faith on this lineage. The controversy of someone making these claims of lineage is not new, for in the New Testament Paul writes to the Church in Ephesus over this same subject. He rebukes them and urges them to turn away from this meaningless talk..... When Jesus Christ was born of the Lineage of David and atoned for our sins, He ended all necessity for the further studies of genealogies. Peace and love Mark Mohr I would like to comment here only to say that knowing one's geneology or researching and studying that is great and neccessary to some extent because when we teach our children and grandchildren about who we are and who they are it's important for them to know and understand where they came from. I don't believe it should be a basis of religious belief or doctrine like you say, because it has nothing to do with salvation. Good to read your comments and to hear from you Mark! _____ Enter the mind of the CoolPoet http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete
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Makheru8

Joined: 11 Oct 2004
Posts: 7

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 17:11 Post subject: quote

Greetings and Blessings:

This reasoining is most interesting, particularly in light of the assumptions here made on both sides of the argument. Mark and iri: correct if ones is mistaken but are you saying that because that was his name that does not mean that was who he was? More clearly is it that one's argue that just because his name is Lion of Judah dosen't make him one? In the west (western eurasian societies) names/titles are applied randomly..that is not true in an African sense, African names were always embodied concepts(ideas) be that Kemetic, Solomonic, or Dagara(or any number of extant, and extinct "primitive" communities). Names were/are given to match a person's spiritual identity/purpose. Additionally Ras Tafari Makonnen did not choose any of his titles or names, they were given. It appears that ones reason here that Ras Tafari took these titles and names to make himself appear to be something that he wasn't -- conversely one can make the argument that as he didn't choose the titles -- and they were given to him, we can equally reason that the titles accuratly described the person.

As far as the geneolgy is concerned... if you just refuse to accept it.. you just refuse to accept it. YOU have concluded the geneology was false.. my question becomes where else did he lie to make his word un-trustworthy? So here we sit in a most interesting situation. Haile Selassie.... a living breathing descendant of Menelik I, geneolgy and records established enough for the EOC (he was crowned Emperor -- which was the real problem)-- HIM you would call a liar, though you could see HIM, hear HIM, smell HIM, in all manner sense HIM. Here we compare him to "Jesus Christ" and use his geneology as a measure and standard for truth(root of David)? His geneology was quite possibly created 300 years after the fact. This aside from the reality that he would have not been related to David without Joseph being his father. Recall that during Nicea(Mycea) the participating parties agreed on little about Jesus Christ. There are no original/manuscripts for the bible. A Christian book that (particularly) in the new testament has not a single word of correction towards Rome?(the historical record is clear on the nature of their character -- lies and deception were Rome's tools).

Forgive me but it just seems like the measures for truth are skewed in ways unknown to me. It is difficult to see how ones can can conclude Jesus root of David -- True / Selassie I root of David-- False in light of who has told us what and what their sources are/were. The geneolgy of the Kebra Negast is much more solid than Jesus'. His fathers were real people, we know them, their faces are on coins -- speak to me of Jesus' fathers (or rather Joseph's) -- so to say that there are "gaps"??? Did the "Jews" who were Jesus's own people recognize him as coming from the root of david?(don't know asking) Certainly the phariese would have been able to establish his heritage, and would they not have moved to install their own King (as descendent of David), wasn't it the preist who confirmed the Kings of Israel?

People who practice decpetion are always quick to call someone else a liar. Just like people who have never been lied to accept what ones says as truth. The "gap" in Selassie's geneolgy is, respectfully, one that is in ones mind -- I say this because we have no reason to assume he was lying, or do we(is there)? Now if a person ever came from Italy saying that they were a direct descendant -- I can overstand why ones would be slow to believe that -- Italy has done nothing but lie...but hasn't Ethiopia given us truth?

In peace,

Mac

"Italy has done nothing but lie" I overstand is a stong statement -- but this is in a historical context Rome to present the behavior is the same and honesty hasn't played a part.

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Live and let Love
Love and let Love
Love and let(s) Live.

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MarkMohr
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Posted: 11 Oct 2004 19:19 Post subject: The Names quote

Thank you for your response Mac. I do have a hard time agreeing with you on certain points. As to the lineage of Christ not being an issue at the time, or not being well documented, your understanding is just way off point. You need to go back and read the first chapter of each of the synoptic gospels, then you will see what a big deal the lineage of Christ was. It was well documented and began each of these gospels because it meant more to many of the readers than the stories that followed. These gospels were written less than 60 years after Christ ascended up to heaven. But interestingly enough, the emphasis on this lineage stopped at Christ in the New Testament. For there was no royalty given to Jesus' family after his death and resurrection. In fact, James, a leader in the N.T. church, was merely called "Jesus' brother." As for your arguments regarding the Kebra Negast, have you actually read it? Have you read the
Gospels? If so, you should understand what I am saying.

You may argue that Selassie was born of the root of David, if you want to believe that, I have no problem with you. In fact, I will even give you that one. Say he was born of the root of David. He still did not come through the exact lineage of Christ (In other words, through the line of Mary and Joseph). The reason why the lineage of Selassie is not a big deal for me is because Christ fulfilled the prophecies, he was and is the Son of God. The buck stops there. The Bible never again speaks of the Jesus returning again as a baby, only as the pierced Christ coming back on the clouds of heaven for all to see.

As for your argument about names:
Just like in Biblical times, one's name and its meaning are very important in Ethiopia today. Long after Tafari Makonnen was born he was called "Ras Tafari". "Ras" being an Ethiopian title name symbolizing royalty meaning "Prince" or "Head", and "Tafari" meaning "Creator", hence his name means the "Head Creator". The name obviously derived from John 1. Rastafarians believe that because he was given this name, he is the creator of everything. This is not Biblically accurate. According to the Bible Jesus Christ is the "Head Creator". In both Genesis 1 and John 1 the Bible clearly states that "Through Him all things were made; without

Him nothing was made that has been made" (John 1:3).

In fact, in the Preface to The Autobiography of Emperor Haile Selassie I, "My Life and Ethiopia's Progress" 1892-1937, Selassie writes these shocking words; "At this hour, when I have found occasion and time to write the story of my life, I preface my writing by presenting the following prayer to my Creator and then continue this work. O Lord, Almighty in whom there is no weakness, eternal in whom there is no transience; in admiring Your work as well as your judgments, a created being, even after much searching, cannot fathom them- except to a limited extent." (Selassie 10) In another writing he states; "And those who have used it for their own purposes have abjured this doctrine which is an insult to all men and to Almighty God in whose image we are created." (Selassie p. 9) In another text he clearly states once again; "For it is true that Our Lord the Creator sends us into the world as equals." (Selassie p. 6) In these writings, Haile Selassie clearly states that he is a created being like all humans. He prays to his Creator. If Selassie was created then He cannot be the "Head Creator". For God is eternal without beginning or end--not a created being.
Although Ras Tafari was called "Haile Selassie" the "Power of the Trinity" it is Biblically evident that Jesus Christ being one with the Father and the Spirit is the true "Power of the Trinity." Jesus Christ is not only the "Power of the Trinity." He was also given the name "Emmanuel" 700 years before His birth. "Emmanuel" means "God with us"! Even the name "Jesus Christ" is an astonishing statement. For in his letter to the church at Philippi, Paul writes about Christ saying; "And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil 2:8-11). In defense, many Rastas claim that "He shall come in a new name", regardless of this new name, salvation and redemption is found in only one name; "JESUS CHRIST". According to Acts 4:12, "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." In giving the plan of salvation in Romans, Paul writes;" That if you confess

with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9) Salvation is found through the name of Jesus Christ alone. He is the only one through whom we find redemption for our sins, and the only way to the Father.

The name "Jesus" comes from the Hebrew name "Yeshua" which means "I am salvation". The name "Christ" means the "Messiah" or the "Anointed one". So Jesus Christ's full name is "I AM SALVATION, THE MESSIAH, THE ANOINTED ONE, GOD WITH US." What a statement! No other name holds that power.

There is no possible way that any other man can take the title "King of Kings and Lord of Lords" to which Selassie is credited, for it is written in the Word of God that Jesus Christ is the "King of all Kings and the Lord of all Lords" (1 Tim 6:15) to which no one can even compare. Besides, Selassie was given this title when he was crowned and was mere king of Ethiopia. And the exact title did not make him Lord of the universe, but merely "King of kings and lord of lords OF ETHIOPIA". And this was a very common title given to all of the kings and queens that proceeded his position on the throne. Jesus has carried this title since before creation and rules all of creation and every king. For it was the earthly magi who brought gifts to the young Messiah in Jeruselem, bowed before the Jesus child, and worshipped the new born King!

Haile Selassie was called the "Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah" because he was "born in July under the Zodiac sign of 'Leo' the Lion". The Bible uses certain symbols to represent Christ, such as a hard working ox, or a spotless sacrificial lamb, and lastly the Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah. It is a fact that Christ is from the tribe of Judah according to Hebrews 7:14 Further evidence that Jesus is this Conquering Lion is found in Revelation 5:4-6 in which the Lion appears as a lamb that had been slain.

There is no other name that has the power, authority, and dominion over all things as that of Jesus Christ:

"And his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed

him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way." Ephesians 1:19-23

Peace in Christ,
Mark Mohr

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Makheru8

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Posts: 7

Posted: 12 Oct 2004 04:31 Post subject: quote

Greetings and Blessings:

First my only concern was the validty of his lineage, and the scale for truth used with comparison with Jesus Christs' lineage..As you have stated that you'd give that he was from the Root of David... My argument was never that Selassie was Christ -- just respect of truth.

You do mention one thing that interests me though... why is it ones conclude that the second coming will not involve birth? (is there a scriptural reference for this reasoning?) -- I've never understood that.

John 1 is in refernce to the WORD -- the Word is eternal, and would not have died passively, agressively or in anyway on anyones cross -- for the Word to die none of us could exist -- that would unmake creation(erase the page). "In the begining was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God" -- a doctrine that predates John and Christianity by thousands of years..not that ones would say it was invalid -- but "Jesus Christ"..no. This was new testament his name could have been substituted. How does one conclude that Ras Tafari's name derived from this source? That assumes that his name was planned to be Ras Tafari (Head creator) from the moment he was named Tafari Makonnen (eh and if it was it just was). His baptismal name was his baptismal name, did he choose it? The further arguments regarding the head creator... "Jesus" would not have been head creator either -- he too was(would have been) formed. But really.. no one knows the name of the son(word) save the Father.

In Peace,

Mac

Live and let Live

Live and let Love

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Love and let(s) Live.

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JahTed

Joined: 18 Sep 2004
Posts: 5

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 23:34 Post subject: quote

Greetings once again all the divine name of Emperor Haile Sellassie and Queen Isis-Menen, King and Queen of Zion.

Give thanks for the forum to express I Livity on Ras Tafari.

[**quote]He still did not come through the exact lineage of Christ (In other words, through the line of Mary and Joseph**). This only proves the mythical presentation of christ in the N.T. Joseph was not the paternal father of christ. Further more virgin birth is not something that occurs in humanity. The two lineage given for christ in the N.T does not correspond. There is quite a remarkable difference in the two. Was there a mistake somewhere?

For it is true that Our Lord the Creator sends us into the world as equals." (Selassie p. 6) In these writings, Haile Selassie clearly states that he is a created being like all humans. He prays to his Creator. True!True! Pure teachings on livity by His Majesty. Now when christ taught his deciples to pray I believe he started this way " Our father which art in heaven....etc. The N.T also claimed that at his crucifixion Christ cried out " my God , my God, why have thou for saken me"? InI see no difference. Oh by the way when his majesty triumphantly returned to Itiopia he said this as well " The Lion of Judah has prevailed"- Rev 5V5. This is in His autobiorgraphy as well.

[quote]Haile Selassie was called the "Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah" because he was "born in July under the Zodiac sign of 'Leo' the Lion". Idren this not so all the Itiopian Emperors from Menelix I on down are crowned "Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah". Are you saying they were all born in July? This is a very sacred title that

pre-dates the man of Gallalie.

Peace in Selassie

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
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Location: Caribbean

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 07:49 Post subject: quote

Good points you made Makheru. Mark Mohr, you made some good points on the Messiah being the only Way, Truth, & Life. Yet still there is no reason why I should deny that His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I is not one of the lions of Judah, like all the Ethiopian and Israelite kings were.

Like you even said they represent the Conquering Lion of Judah who is Yahshua Ha Mashiach, or Jesus Christ like many Christians know Him as, but I rather prefer using His original Hebrew name instead. I am aware that some Ethiopians deny Selassie's Israelite lineage through Solomon and David, but I don't believe it is no lie.

Here was this great African King sitting on the Throne of David, the world oldest sovereign throne, which the Kebre Negast shows us. I also don't believe that the Kebre is no story, but show us the half of the story that has never been told. These modern bibles are nothing but carbon distorted copies from the original one, so why not could they have ommited the Apocrypha and even the Kebre Negast?

Babylon don't want the people to see the truth, so they try to hide it from us. I feel that Emperor Haile Selassie did point us Rastafarians to the Messiah, & even though I don't agree with glorifying the Emperor which most of my fellow Rastas do, still I'm not going to ridicule them for Jah is only Judge. I feel that Rastafarians and Christians should reason together like we are doing here, hope that will really be seen soon.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1931
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Posted: 15 Oct 2004 12:16 Post subject: quote

!2Tribes Lion,

I agree with much of what you said here. And the part about Selassie being one of the Lions of Judah as related to the Ethiopian Kings, I have no problem with that either. Where we part ways is that we believe that there is only one true Lion of Judah. (I totally understand why many Rastas want to sight Selassie as Christ in part because of this given title) Christ coming in His Fullest Glory alone can fulfill all that the Bible says about the Lion of Judah. This is not disrespect for Selassie in any way. Many Rastas would not feel that way.

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JahTed

Joined: 18 Sep 2004
Posts: 5

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 21:37 Post subject: quote

RasTafari Greetings in Holy name of His Emperial Majesty Haile Selassie and Queen Isis Menen. King and Queen of Zion.

Blaminack wrote:

Quote:

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Now lets see, the name Lion of Judah has been in the Itiopia's Royal family for thousands and thousands of years. Many many years before a man called Christ came to Palestine. How then could he be "**the true**" Lion of Judah. On what basis does the Idren base this? How did the I get to the conclusion of trueness?

Peace in Selassie.

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Author	Message
LongLiveZereYacob Joined: 15 Oct 2004 Posts: 11 Location: Los Angeles	Posted: 15 Oct 2004 23:17 Post subject: Re: Solomonic Bloodline quote greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Saviour Yahshua Immanuel! Ehyah Asher Ehyah's (" I Exist Because I Exist")Word stands true forever, for the very definition of the biblical word "GOD" is Elohim, which translates as "the Mighty Ones Who Live By Their Word". In His Word, Ehyah Asher Ehyah made a covenant with David, that could never be altered or erased. The details of this covenant are quite clear, and Yahshua the Savior has yet to complete His part of this Covenant by being Crowned The King of Kings of the Root of David. He was not Crowned or Annointed during His first Advent, and therefore we are still waiting for his Triumphant return to this Existence when He shall take His Birthright (the sceptre of Judah) and rule the Entire Earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. So If Ehyah Asher Ehyah promised David great things that Christ has yet to fulfill, does that make the Mighty Ones Who Live By Their Word a liar? Jah forbid it come to that my brethren and sistren! Ehyah Asher Ehyah promised David that as long as the Sun and the Moon were up in the Sky, there would be a male descendent of Him sitting on the Throne of Judah judging the Twelve Tribes of Israel. His word stands forever. He made special promises

concerning Yahshua, when He said that in the coming days He will "set up thy seed after thee" and that This Seed will build a House for the Lord. So too did he mention this of Zerubbabel, who's bloodline Christ was Born of. However, Ehyah Asher Ehyah had still promised that there would ALWAYS be a Son of David on the throne, for every generation. This is the sole purpose of the Solomonic Dynasty of Ethiopia, as revealed in the personality of His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie, as proved with the existence of the Crown Prince, Regent and Heir to the Davidic Throne His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob Asfa Wossen Haile Selassie.

Christ is the House of the Lord to be built by David, but that doesn't void the covenant that is eternal, that we (Israelites whether physical or spiritual) shall always of a living descendent of David on the Throne. For this reason the bloodline of David was divided, into the line that would lead to the House of the Lord (Christ) and that which would be eternal until the Advent of Ehyah Asher Ehyah. Selassie is of this second line, which is the proof of Ehyah Asher Ehyah's word. If Christ is not yet King, there must be one who is unless Ehyah Asher Ehyah is a liar (which we all know Him not to be).

Mark Mohr, have you read the Kebra Negast? Or have you read the bloodline of His Imperial Majesty and of His Imperia Highness the Crown Prince, who we in the Twelve Tribes of Israel look to as the modern representation of King David? Christ shall inherit the throne of David, not build it, so David's Reigning Line must be preserved unto the Advent of Christ, which it is in the personality of His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob!!!

There are two schools of thought on this matter, that the bloodline was preserved in Ethiopia or in England. Since England enslaved the entire world, preaching "Geezus" to slaves on slave ships, I can't see their King as that of David and of being Divine. The other school, is that His Imperial Majesty represents David, and I much prefer this, that the ONLY REMAINING INDEPENDENT AFRICAN NATION, the ONLY NATION EXISTING BEFORE CHRIST EXISTING TO THIS DAY, is of Ehyah Asher Ehyah and David. The King of Kings can't be conquered, and Ethiopia has been the only

true Independent Nation for such a period of Time, even as the supposed King David of England attempted to enslave them for hundreds of years unsuccessfully because David is a King of Kings and a Lord of Lords forever! Those who try to conquer Him shall fail and be corrected by the Lord of Hosts Ehyah Asher Ehyah! To the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob IS King David, despite legal technicallities. Therefore, Ehyah Asher Ehyah's word stands true forever, and as for me, I am a Rastafarian because i serve the King of Israel, King David, in the personality and form of His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob Asfa Wossen Haile Selassie! Until Yahshua Himself returns to this Existence, I shall faithfully serve my King unto the death! Long Live His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob!

Your in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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LongLiveZereYacob

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Posted: 15 Oct 2004 23:21 Post subject: the Solomonic Bloodline of Ethiopia (complete!!) quote

DYNASTY OF MENELIK I
RULER REIGN DATES
1. Qadamawi Menelik I 25 975-950
2. Hanyon 1 950-949
3. Qadamawi Zera I (Tomai). This 26 949-923
4. Amen Hotep Zagdur 31 923-892
5. Aksumay Ramissu 20 892-872
6. Dagmawi Awseyo Sera II 38 872-834
7. Dagmawi Tawasya II 21 834-813
8. Dagmawi Abralyus Wiyankihi II 32 813-781
9. Aksumay Warada Tsahay 23 781-758
10. Kashta Hanyon 13 758-745
11. Dagmawi Sabaka II 12 745-733
12. Nicauta Kandake (queen) 10 733-723

13. Tsawi Terhak Warada 49 723-674 Nsgash
14. Erda Amen Awseya, or 6 674-668
15. Gasiyo Eskikatir -- 668
16. Nuatmeawn (Tanautamun) 4 668-664
17. Salsawi Tomadyon Piyankihi III 12 664-652
18. Amen Asero 16 652-636
19. Piyankihi IV, or Awtet 34 636-602
20. Zaware Nebret Aspurta 41 602-561
21. Dagmawi Saifay Harsiataw II 12 561-549
22. Ramhay Nastossanan 4 549-535
23. Handu Wuha Abra 11 535-524
24. Safelya Sabakon 31 524-493
25. Agalbus Sepekos 22 493-471
26. Psmenit Waradanegash 21 471-450
27. Awseya Tarakos 12 450-438
28. Kanaz Psmis, son of 13 438-425 Awseya Tarakos
29. Apras 10 425-415
30. Kashta Walda Ahuhu 20 415-395
31. Elalion Taake 10 395-385
32. Salsawi Atserk Amen III 10 385-375
33. Atserk Amen IV 10 375-365
34. Hadina (queen) 10 365-355
35. Atserk Amen V 10 355-345
36. Atserk Amen VI 10 345-335
37. Nikawla Kandake (queen) 10 335-325
38. Bassyo 7 325-318
39. Salsawi Akawsis Kandake III 10 318-308 (queen)
40. Dagmawi Arkamen II 10 308-298
41. Awtet Arawura 10 298-288
42. Dagmawi Kolas II (Kaletro) 10 288-278
43. Zawre Nebrat 16 278-262
44. Stiyo 14 262-248
45. Safay 13 248-235
46. Nikosis Kandake IV (queen) 10 235-225
47. Ramhay Arkamen IV 10 225-215
48. Feliya Hernekhit 15 215-200
49. Hende Awkerara 20 200-180

50. Agabu Baseheran 10 180-170
51. Sulay Kawswmenun 20 170-150
52. Messelme Kerarmer 8 150-142
53. Nagey Bsente 10 142-132
54. Etbenukewer 10 132-122
55. Safeliya Abramen 20 122-102
56. Sanay 10 102- 92
57. Awsena (queen) 11 92- 81
58. Dagmawi Dawit II 10 81- 71
59. Aglbul 8 71- 63
60. Bawawl 10 63- 53
61. Barawas 10 53- 43
62. Dinedad 10 43- 33
63. Amoy Mahasse 5 33- 28
64. Nicotnis Kandake V 10 28- 18
65. Nalke 5 18- 13
66. Luzay 12 13- 1
67. Bazen 17 B.C. 1- 17 A.D.

THOSE WHO REIGNED AFTER THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

RULER REIGN DATES

1. Sartu Tsenfa Assegd 21 17- 38
2. Akaptah Tsenfa Ared 8 38- 46
3. Horemtaku 2 46- 48
4. Garsemot Kandake VI. Jen 10 48- 58
5. Hatoza Bahr Asaged 28 58- 86
6. Mesenh Germasir 7 86- 93
7. Metwa Germa Asfar 9 93-102
8. Dagmawi Adgale II 10 102-112
9. Agba 1 112-113
10. Serada 16 113-129
11. Malis Alameda 4 129-133
12. Hakabe Nasohi Tsiyon 6 133-139
13. Hakli Sergway 12 139-151
14. Dedme Zaray 10 151-161
15. Awtet 2 161-163
16. Alaly Bagamay 7 163-170
17. Awadu Jan Asagad 30 170-200

18. Zagun Tsion Hegez 5 200-205
19. Rema Tsion Geza 3 205-208
20. Azegan Malbagad 7 208-215
21. Gafale Seb Asagad 1 215-216
22. Tsegay Beze Wark 4 216-220
23. Gaza Agdur 9 220-229
24. Agduba Asgwegwe 8 229-237
25. Dawiza 1 237-238
26. Wakana (queen) 2 days 238
27. Hadawz 4 months 238
28. Ailassan Sagal 3 238-241
29. Asfehi Asfeha 14 241-255
30. Atsgaba Seifa Arad 6 255-261
31. Ayba 17 261-278
32. Tsaham Laknduga 9 278-287
33. Tsegab 10 287-297
34. Tazer 10 297-307
35. Ahywa Sofya (queen) 7 307-314

CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE OF THE CHRIST SOVEREIGNS

1. Ahywa. Her regnal name was Sofya, and she was the mother of Abreha Atsbeha.
2. Abreha Atsbeha (with mother) 26 314-340
3. Atsbeha, alone. 12 340-352
4. Asfeh Dalz 7 352-359
5. Sahle 14 359-373
6. Arfed Gebra Maskal 4 373-377
7. Qadamawi Adhana I (queen) 5 377-382
8. Riti 1 382-383
9. Dagmawi Asfeh II 1 383-384
10. Dagmawi Atsbeha II 5 384-389
11. Amey 15 389-404
12. Dagmawi Abreha II 7 months 404
13. Ilassahl 2 months 404
14. Qadamawi Elagabaz I 2 404-406
15. Suhal 4 406-410
16. Salsawi Abreha III 10 410-420
17. Dagmawi Adhana II (queen) 6 420-426

18. Yoab 10 426-436
19. Qadamawi Tsaham I 2 436-438
20. Dagmawi Amey II 1 438-439
21. Sahle Ahzob 2 439-441
22. Tsebah Mahana Kristos 3 441-444
23. Dagmawi Tsaham II 2 444-446
24. Dagmawi Elagabaz II 6 446-452
25. Agabi 1 452-453
26. Lewi 2 453-455
27. Ameda III 3 455-458
28. Armah Dawit 14 458-472
29. Amsi 5 472-477
30. Salayba 9 477-486
31. Alameda 8 486-494
32. Pazena Ezana 7 494-501

DYNASTY OF ASHE (EMPEROR) KALEB UNTIL GEDAJAN

RULER REIGN DATES

1. Kaleb 30 501-531
2. Za Israel 1 month 531
3. Gabra Maskal 14 531-545
4. Kostantinos 28 545-573
5. Wasan Sagad 15 573-588
6. Fere Sanay 23 588-611
7. Advenz 20 611-631
8. Akala Wedem 8 631-639
9. Germa Asafar 15 639-654
10. Zergaz 10 654-664
11. Dagena Mikael 26 664-690
12. Bahr Ekla 19 690-709
13. Gum 24 709-733
14. Asguagum 5 733-738
15. Latem 16 738-754
16. Talatam 21 754-775
17. Gadagosh 13 775-788
18. Aizar Eskakatir 1/2 day 788
19. Dedem 5 788-793
20, Wededem 10 793-803

21. Wudme Asfare 30 803-833
22. Armah 5 833-838
23. Degennajan 19 838-857
24. Gedajan 1 857-858
25. Gudit 40 858-898
26. Anbase Wedem 20 898-918
27. Del Naad 10 918-928

A JEW (SOLOMONIC) DYNASTY, WHICH WAS NOT RAISED TO THE THRONE, DURING THE PERIOD OF THE PRECEDING DYNASTY

1. Mahbara Wedem
2. Agbea Tsyon
3. Tsinfa Arad
4. Nagash Zare
5. Asfeh
6. Yakob
7. Bahr Asagad
8. Edem Asagad

SOVEREIGNS FROM EMPEROR YEKUNO AMLAK, DESCENDED FROM THE ANCIENT REIGNING DYNASTIES

RULER REIGN DATES

1. Yekuno Amlak 15 1261-1276
2. Yasbeo Tseyon 9 1276-1285
3. Tsenfa Arad 1 1285-1286
4. Hesba Asagad 1 1286-1287
5. Kedme Asagad 1 1287-1288
6. Jan Asagad 1 1288-1289
7. Sabea Asagad 1 1289-1290
8. Wedma Ared 15 1290-1305
9. Amda Tseyon 30 1305-1335
10. Saifa Ared 28 1335-1363
11. Wedma Asfare 10 1363-1373
12. Dawit 30 1373-1403
13. Tewodoros 4 1403-1407
14. Yeshak 15 1407-1422
15. Andreyas 6 months 1422
16. Hesba Nan 4 1422-1426
17. Bedl Nan & Andreyas 1 1426-1427

18. Amde Tseyon 7 1427-1434
19. Zara Yakob 34 1434-1468
20. Boeda Maryam 10 1468-1478
21. Iskender 16 1478-1494
22. Amda Tseyon 1 1494-1495
23. Naod 13 1495-1508

ELEVATION TO THE THRONE OF ASHE (EMPEROR) LEBNA DENGEL, AND THE INVASION OF ETHIOPIA BY GRAN

RULER REIGN DATES
1. Lebna Dengel 32 1508-1540
2. Galawdewos 19 1540-1559
3. Minas 4 1559-1563

Fifteen years after Ashe (Emperor) Lebna Dengel came to the throne Gran devastated Ethiopia for fifteen years.

THE HOUSE OF GONDAR

RULER REIGN DATES
1. Sartsa Dengel 34 1563-1597
2. Yakob 9 1597-1606
3. Za Dengel 1 1606-1607
4. Susneyos 28 1607-1635
5. Fasil 35 1635-1670
6. Degu-Yohannes 15 1670-1685
7. Adyam Sagad Iyasu 25 1685-1710
8. Takla Haymanot 2 1710-1712
9. Tewoflus 3 1712-1715
10. Yostos 4 1715-1719
11. Dawit 5 1719-1724
12. Bakaffa 9 1724-1733
13. Birhan Sagad Iyasu 24 1733-1757
14. Iyoas 15 1757-1772
15. Yohannes 5 mos. & 5 dys. 1772
16. Takla Haymanot 8 1772-1780
17. Solomon 2 1780-1782
18. Takla Giyorgis 5 1782-1787

SOVEREIGNS OF ABYSSINIA SUBSEQUENT TO THE FOREGOING LIST

RULER REIGN DATES

1. Yasus 1 1787-1788
2. Takla Haymanot 1 1788-1789
3. Iskias 6 1789-1795
4. Baeda Maryam 2 1795-1797
5. Junus -- 1797
6. Adimo 2 1797-1799
7. Egwala Sion 19 1799-1818
8. Joas 3 1818-1821
9 Gigar 5 1821-1826
10. Salsawi Baeda Maryam III -- 1826
11. Gigar (again) 4 1826-1830
12. Iyasu IV 2 1830-1832
13. Gabra Kristos -- 1832
14. Sahala Dengel 8 1832-1840
15. Salsawi Yohannes III 1 1840-1841
16. Sahala Dengel (again) 14 1841-1855
At this time the empire was re-established by Theodore.
17. Tewodoros 13 1855-1868
18. Yohannes IV 21 1868-1889
19. Dagmawi Menelik II 24 1889-1913
20. Lij Yasu 3 1913-1916
21. Zauditu, empress, and 14 1916-1930 Ras Tafari Makonnen, regent and heir.
22. Qadamawi Haile Selassie I, -- 1930-

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bunny wailer

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1943
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 23:49 Post subject: quote

The post before the listng of ancestory was an interesting one to me. Chris, what is the basis of your statement that Zere Yacob is your King? I am by no means being disrespectful, but this is the first time that I have heard this reasoning. Are you in fact a citizen of Ethiopia? If not and I can see that is where your heart seems to be, why not?

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 11
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 03:50 Post subject: re: zere yacob

greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Savior Yahshua Immaneul!

no, I am not a earth born Ethiopian, but that is where my heart is indeed because that is where my King is, as well as the Throne of God (the ark of the Covenant) as well as one of the oldest and most devout Christian churches.

His Imperial Highness Zere Yacob is not the King of Ethiopia, they have a democracy and a president and a congress etc. However, in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, (so to 30 million Ethiopians etc) His Imperial Highness is seen as the Regent and Heir (eg. the Acting Emperor), so in my Heart he is the King. By the virtue of His Imperial Blood, His Imperial Highness represents a Living King David. Ethiopia is where I want to be,and will be as soon as possible.

I am going to school here in order to get some better "paperwork" and perhaps meet those likeminded individuals who hear "ethiopia calling" and are willing to help out both physically and financially. The real reason that i am going to Ethiopia, is because i can't agree with the Western System, both its culture and its patriotism. I dont agree with the Govts, the political leaders, the social culture, the political culture. Though i was born and raised here, it by far isn't me.

Yours in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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Posted: 18 Oct 2004 05:24 Post subject: quote

Respect! I see lots of folks that could go to Ethiopia yet stay in the West and complain, instead of improving things. Let us know of your progress towards this end. I am truly interested in this. So many have the means yet because of the lack of comfort in Africa stay here and say that they want to leave...

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 53
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 23:18 Post subject: quote

Good response Long live Zere Yacob! That is enought proof that the Royal House of David is indeed within Ethiopia. Yet if ones still deny the Davidic Covenant lying in this ancient African land, then so be it. We are not amazed that ones will not see Haile Selassie and the Ethiopian Royal Family physically stemming from David and Solomon of Israel. Blessed be our future King of Israel, Yahshua Ha Mashiach, King of kings, Lord of lords, Conquering Lion of Judah, Elect of Jah, & true Light of this World!

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 53
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 23:43 Post subject: Long Live Zere Yacob! quote

His Imperial Highess Zere Yacob has not yet been crowned King of Ethiopia, but according to the Ethiopian Constition he is legally a king. For the Constitution states that if any monarch dies, the successor is then known as king. Since Amha Selassie has passed for seven years now, Zere Yacob could be seen as not only Crown Prince but King, just not officially a King yet that's all. Long live Zere Yacob Asfa Wossen Haile Selassie, our future King and Emperor of Ethiopia!

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 11
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 21:12 Post subject: ... quote

rootka is that you brethren?

yes, as according to custom, His Imperial Highness is the now Regent and Heir, which is politically the acting Emperor. In the Church, He is allowed to sit on the Emperor's Throne next to the Patriarch.

from "My Life and Ethiopia's Progress: The Autobiography of His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie the First"

"As regards to the succession of the Throne and Crown, We have read in history that, at a time when Ethiopia lived in isolationa dn before she had established relations with foreign countries, the prevailing custom had been, at the demise of the Emperor, for His death often to remain CAREFULLY unannounced. (This was still the case when Emperor Menelik died in 1913.) They would then place His Son and Heir on the Throne and Crown Him immediately that very day. Only after the Son's reign and coronation had been announced by proclamation, would they give a ceremonial burial of the dead King.

At other times again, at the demise of the Emperor, the officers of the royal household would take him clandestinely and bury him, before anyone could hear about it, and on the morrow they would place his son and heir on the throne. After they had conducted the royal installation service and crowned Him, the death of the Father and the new reign of the Son would be announced by proclamation at the same time."

sound familiar?

Yours in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 51 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 21 Oct 2004 21:38 Post subject: quote Yes Chris Naphtali it is I man. I thought you would have known by the user name 12 Tribes Lion. _____ "Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)
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SoulJAH of HIM Theocracy Joined: 23 Oct 2004 Posts: 2	Posted: 23 Oct 2004 13:49 Post subject: quote Tenayistelin Who say Janhoy is dead? Who are those boys inna them banner caps there telling the world I n I Father is dead? I came just by accidant over this forum... and Iman nah surprised hearing the heathen them telling crap about I n I most Ivine God and King JAH RastafarI Quedamawi Haile I Selassie I. But who are you TTI boys? Coming here inna lion clothing and spreading wolve doctrines. I n I know that HIM nah dead, so who should sit pon HIM throne as heir? Don't the Is them see that no one is able to sit pon HIM throne since I n I Ivine Iyahjesty departet from the physical scene? If you check out the Revised Constitution of 1955 the Is them will see that a heir is only to sit pon King David throne when the Emperor dies. So now I ask you... who of you saw Janhoy die? I

ask you! Noone because he is everliving... the Alpha and Omega Beginning without End!
I n I respect HIM family like I respect Yeshuahs family... but I n I won't proclaim them divine! sight? Asfa Wossen was never a rightful King... don't you know that Yeshuah was the last in the Israelite Line... and that nobody would come after his uprising? And now the same happened again... and them nah learn... and emmediatly forget about Yeshuah and proclaim an other man unrightful king. No one comes after Haile Selassie I. He is the King who is prophesied by I n I Brethren Prophet Jesaja... the child that is born unto I n I... the King of Zion. So I ask you, did Zion already come? NO. And who is the last king before the coming of Zion? HIM Quedamawi Haile I Selassie I!
And now them TTI come and tell the Ethiopians them to forget about the King and then I see them banner capies at this faked funeral... FYAH
... to sit another Asfa Wossen pon the throne... what you want?... a second Coup'60? HIM told his son, that he is not even able to die like an Emperor... so how should he live and be one? NO... he was never the rightful KIng... and HIM is the Last and Everliving!

I n I come to respect the religious believes of others, like Janhoy showed as perfect example! But when I n I here such crap spread about HIM and then even in HIM name... I n I come to blaze Fyah! I n I of the most Ivine Incient Theocracy reign of Janhoy Quedamawi Haile Selassie I stand firm for the reputation of I n I King!

And fyah burn those christians who come to fool I n I... those guys inna lion clothing and spreading wolves doctrines!
I hear them on there site right now chanting I n I Ivine Nyahbinghi Chant Lion of Judah... oh yes all who misuse JAH name for this devilish purposes of deceiving will burn!

Selassie I Everliving no matter what you tell!

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Moa Anbassa Zeimnegede Yehuda
Janhoy Quedamawi Haile I Selassie I Igzee Yimmesgaan!

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Ras B
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Posted: 24 Oct 2004 20:51 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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umm there is a very distinct difference there. Iesous never had a wife, sex, or children. H.I.M. did.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 118
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 19:38 Post subject: quote

SoulJAH,
Ini cite dat wideh fullness and buna righteous fiyah wid deh I.

on another note, Ini was meditatin' on deh reasoning of some 1st advent Christians when dem said none will be able to deny dat H.I.M. when He returns. denial is deh whole reason hue-manity has Christianity, because Israel turned dem back pon Emmanuel deh Christ. sedway you 1st advent Christians have done deh same to Haile Selassie I, widoutta doubt. if ones think dat deh globe will be in unison over deh return of Christ, unu mad! deh I-ble according to Christ says it shall be as in deh days of Noe(Noah) and deh people won't be able to behold H.I.M.
deh whola deh world was partying away in folly and slackness when Noah got instructions fi buildup deh ark, yuh si mi? when I God & King com forward before deh world, deh "civilized" nations of deh world were busy trying to carve up Afreeca and other "third world" indigenous nations and peoples. anywhere you went in deh world, deh majority of people of color were doing terrible, basically unda dem rasclatt colonialism spell.
reality, is another thing dat 1st Christians do not, choose not and won't behold. ones keep coming and saying dat "dem titles belong to Jesus Christ only" when one has come wid dese titles, sat pon

deh throne and iz deh Ark of the Covenant of Jah carrier. what more do dem waan? deh reality is dat deh I-ble says deh "Earth is Jah's and deh fullness thereof" which means everything will happen where Ini can behold it.

Mark Mohr,
Ini do not know you, nor your livity but when you say dat you were Ras for two years before deh age of 18, Ini find dat hard to swallow due to deh complexity of deh faith. to trod deh King of Kings' I-way requires much overstanding, of deh I-ble, deh globe/world events and oneself. how many 18 year olds truly knowdemselves? granted you may have been one of dem but deh fruits would also show. when new ones come and ask about Haile Selassie I, why do you give your personal opinion instead of deh facts, den let dem mek a decision. why do you feel dat it is unu job fi sway ones faith from what you or deh band outwardly represent but secretly deny? if ones ask about Ini God & King, Haile Selassie I, sendem to His autobiographies, deh I-ble and deh Kebra Nagast, not to deh innerworkings of your feelings.

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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LongLiveZereYacob

Joined: 15 Oct 2004
Posts: 15
Location: Los Angeles

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 20:16 Post subject: ...

quote

greetings in that divine and most precious name of Our Lord and Savior Yahshua Immanuel!

> **Quote:**
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> when one has come wid dese titles, sat pon deh throne and iz deh Ark of the Covenant of Jah carrier.

my brother, far more then "one" have bore those titles. They are the heriditary titles of the Davidic Monarchy. They were given to His Imperial Majesty upon Coronation Only. Before 1930, he was simply Tafari. He was not Christ nor God, but a mortal man and an adept political leader,as he proved during His conflict with His cousin H.I.M. Lij Yasu (who also bore these same titles).

Before His Imperial Majesty's reign, Menelik the Second was also crowned King of Kings, Lord of Lords Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Elect of God. So were the hundreds of Ethiopian Monarchs before Him. Perhaps you should study the History of the Culture you profess so powerfully, rather then arguing out of ignorance with your brothers and sisters over things you are clearly not that informed on.

Yahshua Ha Moshiach said that in the days BEFORE His Triumphant return it shall be as the days of Noe. Not the days during. In the thousands of scriptures referring to the great and terrible day of the Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh's return to the Earth, all shall know and either have great celebration, or terrible trembling and fear, but ALL SHALL KNOW! It further says that in that day (always used in the singular sense, never the plural implying one SINGLE DAY, not some 75 odd years), that no man will have to teach His brother to "seek the Lord", for all shall know.

How can you go against those scriptures which His Imperial Majesty has told us to read? I believe they are tainted by King James, but even His Majesty has told me (in his speeches and writings) that regardless the translation, the Bible remains infallible truth. This corrected and humbled myself in my earlier days. That is the purpose of the Lord's Anointed, to provide correction and hope.

As for the "twelve tribes boys", we have been worldwide since 1968, and will remain so until the day that We all meet Christ. Whether you agree with us or like us, we are who we are. We are the largest Rastafarian Organization in the World, having 16 Headquarters in 14 Nations. We are connected directly through membership to the Davidic Family (not Yahshua's family, for as we all know Yahshua has no fleshly children!), and are by far the most active and EFFECTIVE House in Ethiopia. So if you are planning on repatriation to Ethiopia, you shall constantly run into us, for we are your brothers and sisters, as are the Christians on this board and around the world. Respect Humanity, and love your brother as yourself, lest ye fall into tribulation!

Quote:

> to sit another Asfa Wossen pon the throne... what you want?... a second Coup'60? HIM told his son, that he is not even able to die like an Emperor... so how should he live and be one? NO... he was never the rightful KIng... and HIM is the Last and Everliving!

Again, another Rastafarian's ignorance in the History of Ethiopia and His Imperial Majesty has caused confussion. While I wish His Imperial Majesty would have punished Asfa Wossen (H.I.M. Amha Selassie), it simply wasn't the case. His Imperial Majesty formally forgave H.I.M. Amha Selassie, and in His last days, declared by Official Proclamation that the Line of Succession remain the same, and that His Son remain the Crown Prince, and that His favorite Grandson H.I.H. Zere Yacob be the next in the line. This was done by the Right hand of the Lord's Anointed, and so who are we to scoff and disrespect the Will of our former Emperor simply because He is no longer with us to Rebuke such philosophy!

We must be carefull when play with Fyah by brethren, for we all know that when you play with fyah you're going to get burned! Every man's mother has taught him this fact.

as my mother used to sing to me, "further along we'll know all about it, further along we'll understand why, cheer up my brother live in the son shine, till we see Yahshua, oh by and by"

Yours in Christ
Chris Naphtali Twelve Tribes of Israel California

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"dont be to ambitous, just serve your purpose"
bunny wailer

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 118
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 21:04 Post subject: quote

bless,
Ini do know dat all from Menelik I forward carried all of dem titles **except** for Defender of the Faith & the solidifying one of The Light of the World. ones try and diminish its significance because this is one of Haile Selassie I's titles but when ones do a I-blical search for "Light of the World" only Emmanuel deh Christ pops up. not all Christians, not Emmanuel's disciples but Jah in flesh, deh Christian Christ. if ones say dat Haile Selassie I is not Christ returned den how is it dat deh same title can mean two different things under deh same theology?

Quote:

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so how is it dat dere are still ones who practice Judaism and are still waiting upon deh initial advent of deh messiah? how is it dat ones have been left behind? deh word of Jah is beyond time and space, deh closet measurement Ini have is a day wid Jah is like a 1000 years, so time arguments are irrelevant.

Quote:

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firstly, Ini did not mek dis comment about 12 tribes, most already know where I stand pon dis. to think dat unu are deh largest "Ras" organization widout meditating pon why is beyond I. once again, nuh disraspect to 12 tribe members but deh entire organization puts deh groundation of deh movement of Rastafari back 75 years. for Ini, 12 tribes give ones a chance to identify wid deh Ras look, deh Ras feel, deh Ras vibe widout acknowledging deh Power of the Holy Trinity in flesh. thereby allowing ones to remain 1st advent Christians but to seem like something else. why even deal with I-Majesty if H.I.M. has nothing to do wid unu salvation? truthfully Ini would compare 12 tribes to Christafari, because dem both represent externally what dem deny internally. 12 tribes members feel no way, dis is jus Ini meditation pon deh whole thing, because Ini studied 12 tribes and just came to deh conclusion dat if Haile Selassie I is not Jah in flesh, why am Ini dealing wid H.I.M. in Ini theology?
Give thanks fi life and upful reasoning L.L.Z.Y.

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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SoulJAH of HIM Theocracy

Joined: 23 Oct 2004
Posts: 2

Posted: 26 Oct 2004 11:41 Post subject: quote

Iyah Greetings

Oh, I forget about how arrogant you hippie club boys are, calling I n I of the Most Incient Iyahbinghi Faith ignorant. Yes, the I is right, your organization is big... and now you think that is good? I see what good work you are doing with so many members and that amounts of money... I see your progress in Ethiopia... a good laugh man! You think I n I is ignorant about TTI runnings and Biz inna Ethiopia? I n I will never shut up about the things you running wrong... you remember Brother Ras Nathaniels Report? Many will follow... I n I must tell the world and your so-called HQ and members in the world what you are doing with all this "dues money" and so on... do not try to fool I n I, boys!

I n I nah come to argue with you about the divinity of His Imperial Ijesty, because this is not I job... But I n I of the Most Incient Theocracy Reign of His Imperial Iyahjesty stand firm for the good reputation of I n I Iloved King which you wanna dirt! You call yourselves RASTAFARIANS and shouting JAH RASTAFARI and telling the people that means HEAD CREATOR... like Iman read time ago on this TTLU web page... maybe Iman should teach you a bit about Ethiopian Amharic language and telling you, that TAFARI do not mean creator. So every time you guys chanting JAH RASTAFARI be clear who you chant there! But for you guys it is just like a logo... that brings new hippie boys who think that is 'cool'.

About Ithiopian History... Ethiopian Monarchs bear the titles King of Kings and Lord of Lords since Menelik I. Many(not all) christian Emperors then took in addition the title(or motto) Conquering Lion of Judah... so Yeshuah said, that he will returned as one of this Kings... and HIM is the LAST!
I n I know what Janhoy thought about his son... do not try to fool I n I!

And boys, do not telle I n I about FYAH... I n I blaze Fyah since the first days on this earth... and I n I carried FYAH through

Jamaica long before your Org was known... and also long before it turned in a hippie club.
I n I is not afraid of getting burnt... I n I allready burn... for JAH SPIRIT is burning Fyah. But it seems you are afraid of JAH FYAH SPIRIT... remember, it only burns the wickeds them.... do YOU have to be afraid?

Most Incients blessings to all REAL Selassie I Souljahs!

dehna wal

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Moa Anbassa Zeimnegede Yehuda
Janhoy Quedamawi Haile I Selassie I Igzee Yimmesgaan!

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 17:38 Post subject: Haile Selassie: good or bad man? quote Some say Haile Selassie was not a good man at all. According to them he was not very intelligent, and he made many political bad moves. I spoke with some ethiopians, and they had only bad words about their former emperor. So: was is true about selassie? Was he a good man, or was he not so good after all, as many claim... _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 18:21 Post subject: quote

He certainly made some mistakes and wrong moves politically. But I think he meant well an his heart was in the right place. He may not have been the man for the job.

He was human and he did make human mistakes. Even though he was a devout Christian he did not always practice what he preached. He was a great fighter but he was known for giving bad treatment to the por and hungry. He did deliver a lot of political promises though, so there was good and bad things, just like there are with most human beings.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 19:14 Post subject: quote

Well, that's interesting. LOZ is being accused of giving wrong information about rastafarianism. I wonder how many websites that deal with rastafari give wrong information about Selassie I, or at least are silent about H.I.M not looking after the poor. Talk about political correctness. Strictly spoken you could say that even Haile Selassie was walking in a babylon spirit (opressing and not looking after the poor and needy). I wonder what Jetze has got to say about this. I wonder if he gives correct information on this at the dubroom...

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Bless!
Jochem

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'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 20:45 Post subject: quote

mm they also said Yeshuah was a bad man/ devil/blasphemous/worthy to be mudered up to now, in this modern technology age I still feel they havent changed if you may ask???

As I'll keep on saying some of those ethiopians with a Judas kind of collaboration the wicked colonists are responsible for giving H.I.M. a had time till his disappearance, they might be responsible too for his death"

Some of this ethiopians might be responsible for their suffering for failing to listen to H.I.M. MMM MMM

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:13 Post subject: quote

mmm mmmm they said this about adolf hitler too mmm mmmm they said this about saddam hoessein too mmm mmm mmm

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Bless!

Jochem

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
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Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:15 Post subject: quote

YAA TOO MANY MMMMMMM

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:17 Post subject: quote

MM TO CUT ON THE MMMMS i GUESS ONLY mighty JAH KNOWETH BETTER THAN ALL HALL CRAP OF WE!!!

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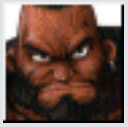
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:33 Post subject: quote

> **Jah Pickney wrote:**
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> He certainly made some mistakes and wrong moves politically. But I think he meant well an his heart was in the right place. He may not have been the man for the job.

The same may be said of many monarchs in history. A good example is Tsar Nicholas II: he was an extremely devout Christian and great family man, but definitely not cut out for politics and the monarchy.

Many Russian Orthodox revere Tsar Nicholas as a martyr for the faith (since his place in the ROC was one of the reasons he and his family were executed), but he was not necessarily a wise ruler.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 21 Aug 2004 16:43 Post subject: quote Some even say that he was a dictator. I don't know what reasons they have for this, and whether these reasons are valid. Anyone? _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 22 Aug 2004 01:43 Post subject: quote again mm mm From my studies of H.I.M. & his experienceS, I have come to see under the sun a constant smearing campaign against african leaders by the baby wrong controlled media, during the colonial era even till this present day terming them as dictators m mm. The smearing of leaders who fail to bend down low to the devilish , hypocrazy colonists "**demands**" to keep africans as **slaves** in their **hypocrazy policies**. As I keep saying, most of the people blowing a trumpet against H.I.M. under various small posts under H.I.M.'s regime, in their greed, are guilty of maliciously betraying H.I.M. to the crazy call-

themselves x-ristian colonists.

GIDAMAWI BLESS!!!!!!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 18:01 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Some even say that he was a dictator. I don't know what reasons they have for this, and whether these reasons are valid. Anyone?

There are some who would call *any* monarch a "dictator," or spit the term "autocrat" as an epithet, whether justly or not. Consider the source before drawing any conclusions on that score.

I think you'll probably just have to study Selassie, and preferably from many different angles, before you develop a good perspective on him for yourself. But I don't think most human lives are simple enough to just say "good man" or "bad man."

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 16 Sep 2004 19:54 Post subject: quote

to respond to deh question of Selassie I's treatment of deh poor -

1. know dat deh poor will always be in every society and dat poverty is a relative state. poverty was in I-thiopia before I-Majesty was even in flesh and poverty still exists after I-Majesty departed deh flesh. when ones check how deh country is set up with its intricate hiearchies and feudal system of governing a country with over 50 ethnicities & langauges, ones can see deh compexity of deh task. deh poverty issue rests soley upon the shoulders of deh feudal lords and deh church who tax deh peasants to work upon the land. deh church itself teks 50 % of deh peasants crops just for being deh church, while deh overlords

may tek up to another 25% for their positions. dis is a perpetual cycle of what Ini in deh west identify as sharecropping, or a vortex of debt. when deh church cannot even be approached to lower their % of taxation and the landlords very rarely relinquish their financial stronghold, unless convinced by threat of force you have a lose-lose situation for peasants. some of the landlords reside in remote parts of the country which in Selassie I's time would take weeks to get to, before He broke down the country with scattered airstrips. most feudal lords had never even been to Addis Ababa, let alone met wideh Emperor about deh issue of poverty because there were always filters as in any pyramid structure. so many palms to grease dat by deh time anything meks it to deh H.I.M. deh root gets buried beneath deh corruption.

2. even Emmanuel said dat deh poor shall be wid Ini always, even he did not do away with poverty completely. in an empire dat is 45-49% Muslim, 45%-49% Christian and another 5%-7% classified as other, unification on any front is almost impossible espicially in deh area of finance.

3. if I-Majesty relinquished His power in 1974 and He was deh supposed cause of deh famine, why was I in elementary school singing we are deh world in 1984 wid deh dergue at deh reigns?

in deh overall scheme of things, no swiss bank accounts ever varified e. ullendorf used his own funds to research and varify that, no dead body ever produced, deh throne of David still empty and deh Nyahbhingi livity still being deh closest to how Immanuel trodded, deh fact is Haile Selassie I is still deh only man in modern I-story to standup widem titles and no one cannot say dat He is not deh King of Kings, Lord of Lords, The Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, The Elect of Jah, The Defender of the Faith & the Light of deh World.
JaaaaaaaaaaaaaahRaaaaaaaaaaaaastafarI

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally

cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 16 Sep 2004 21:02 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M.

Quote:

> no one cannot say dat He is not deh King of Kings, Lord of Lords, The Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, The Elect of Jah, The Defender of the Faith & the Light of deh World.

I can!

YESUS is the light of the world.

Jahn 8:12 When Yesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the **light** of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the **light** of life."

O.K. ras tafari makonnen may have been the elect of JAH. Elected by Yesus, who IS JAH!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 14:41 Post subject: quote

I can too! Just because men decided to give him those titles doesn't mean that's who he truly is. The scriptures only give those names to Jesus!

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
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Posted: 17 Sep 2004 16:55 Post subject: quote

are deh I dem saying dat His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I is a liar because He H.I.M.self took deh titles? or are deh I dem saying dat deh church who annoited H.I.M. wid deh titles is a liar? or are deh I dem saying dat deh 72 nations who bowed at coronation hypocrites for not standing up and questioning the titles? these are serious questions that even the present Abuna now even struggles wid - just food for thought
blessupinH.I.M.

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Posted: 17 Sep 2004 17:03 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> O.K. ras tafari makonnen may have been the elect of JAH. Elected by Yesus, who IS JAH!

warrior please don't disrespect I-Majesty by calling H.I.M. dat name. even He said don't call H.I.M. by that name any longer, simply Haile Selassie I.
bless

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 417 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 17 Sep 2004 17:37 Post subject: quote I mean no disrespect, I am a new creation in Yeshua (born again) yet I am still called by my physical birth name. Haile Selassie his name will be, when I reason..... perfectloveinH.I.M. **Quote:** are deh I dem saying dat His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I is a liar because He H.I.M.self took deh titles? or are deh I dem saying dat deh church who annoited H.I.M. wid deh titles is a liar? or are deh I dem saying dat deh 72 nations who bowed at coronation hypocrites for not standing up and questioning the titles? Jah Pickney **Quote:** Just because men decided to give him those titles doesn't mean that's who he truly is. The scriptures only give those names to Jesus! Jah Pickney took the words right out of my keyboard.So if someone calls me a prophet then it is true? NO. Scriptures are the only confirmation of any such name. And please give proof of Haile Selassie calling himself the king of kings.....I take JAH word to heart,but your words will

need to be shown as truth. There are interviews in which He says clearly who he is, and not one does he exlaim that he is the King of Kings, Lord of Lords. I have read many of his speaches and teachings (monthly in Beat magazine) and never once did he call himself this title.

The Holy word of JAH is VERY clear and is full of proof that Yesus is the King of Kings and the Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah. Revelation shows that Yesus (Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah) will/is the only worthy one to open the scrolls and end time as we know it on earth. Why assume or mistake anyone else for this Holy and most Awesome task?

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 19:03 Post subject: quote

have deh I dem read deh Kebra Nagast, because dat in itself sheds more light upon deh whole issue. because deh I dem are telling Ini dat He relunctantly took titles that He knew did not apply to H.I.M. also a man does not always have to accept what is given to him, yuhknow.

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 19:23 Post subject: quote

I believe his majesty used Y'shua's titles in the same way I can call myself a "Christian" or a "priest": because I participate in Y'shua, who is Christ and Priest. Likewise, Selassie call himself by Y'shua's titles in a derivative and dependent way --Selassie striving to be like his Creator, Savior, and Lord Y'shua.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 19:35 Post subject: quote

JonaGus, dat is depreciating deh titles. according to deh Kebra, dose titles were and only were for dem who sit pon David's Throne. many sat pon deh throne in righteousness and unholiness but eventually that is the throne which Christ would return to. if you look at deh titles dat all held before Selassie I, why was deh entire monarchy culminated up to H.I.M. to be accepted by 72 nations as the Light of the World. why is it in H.I.M. coronation speech dat He referes to H.I.M.self as "the least of my bredren", when dat is a clear paradox?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 09:53 Post subject: quote

> **Jah Pickney wrote:**
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> I can too! Just because men decided to give him those titles doesn't mean that's who he truly is. The scriptures only give those names to Jesus!

Not correct. "Lion Of Judah", for example, was a title of the ethiopian emperors even BC!

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 19:55 Post subject: quote

MD

> **Quote:**
>
> Not correct. "Lion Of Judah", for example, was a title of the ethiopian emperors even BC

Come on, just because Jahn called Him this in Revelation, doesn't mean this was not His name before the earth began! YESUS said "Before Abram **I AM**!!

Before any ethiopian emperors or any man there was and is YESUS. Who is the Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah. Who was and is to come.....

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Sep 2004 09:02 Post subject: quote

When I tell you, that Jah is your father, I do this, to give you an idea about the character of Jah. The concept "Father" by far is not enough to describe the relationship of Jah with his children, but it describes a certain aspect of the Most High. Now, when you hear "Father", what do you think? You look in your area for a father. You see a father and you think:"Ah, that is what a father means". Now, ofcourse, this is a simple thing, but the same principle works with Haile Selassie. In the Apocalypse, where John sees visions of the final downstruction of babylon, in chapter 5 the Savior is presented as "the Lion of Judah". Now, when you see this term, "Lion of Judah", you do the same thing. You ask yourself: "what is a lion of Judah". When you look closely you will find in Ethiopia, where kings of the Solomonic bloodline were called "Lion of Judah" even before Christ! As far as I know there is no other place on the earth where there is a mention of "Lion of Judah" apart from Ethiopia. It is a specific title for an Ethiopian king. Take for example the word "president". Suppose that you read in the bible Jah describing Himself as the "President". You would have Bill Clinton in your mind, and you would know what it means. Now, fortunately Jah does not compare Himself with the "President" but with the Ethiopian King. Because He presents Himself as Lion of Judah. He says: when you want to know Who I am, you will learn a great deal when you examine the Ethiopian King. Because of the Euro-centered way of thinking of so many eschatologists, tragically this (as well as many more things) has been overlooked. I see the fact that Jesus Christ presents Himself as Lion of Judah in a context where there is a mention of who is the rightful ruler of the earth, as a message from Jah to look to Ethiopia's Lion of Judah to learn what it will be, when earth's rightful Ruler will finally sit upon the throne of David, which has been kept warm for Him partly in..... Ethiopia!

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 22 Sep 2004 16:46 Post subject:

quote

blessed love to all,
dis post is I-rected towards MD because I know his resume and where he stands regarding I-Majesty. if not officially at least unoficially, deh I is a student of deh 12 tribes doctrine at least regarding deh divinity of I-Majesty. Ini have repeatedly asked about deh title of Light of the World and 1st advent Christians on dis forum have attempted to dismiss it like it is not a significant question. presently, Abuna Yeshaq here in deh west has written a book on deh Ethiopian Tewehado Church, innit he speaks about how H.I.M. having that title weighed on his conscious or something to the effect of not being able to easily get it out of his head. with all deh studying deh I has done, Ini jes wated to know how deh I viewed deh situation and what helped deh I arrive at your particular conclusion.
blessupinH.I.M.

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Author	Message
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 22 Sep 2004 16:50 Post subject: Lamb and lion quote MD, this point in your 'theology' I strongly strongly disagree with. The thought that John wanted to compare Jesus to an ethiopian emperor when he mentioned the title 'lion of judah' is absurd. I am not sure if BC these titles were already being used for ethiopian emperors/leader. I am also not sure if John knew about there existence, taken that they did exist. But even if this title then already was being used, why should Jesus be compared with an emperor from Ethiopia??? What should we learn from them that makes us understand more about who Jesus is? Read good commentaries on Revelation, read the Greek, read and study the context and also the old testament, and please understand that this thought is (rastafarian?) wishfullthinking. In a sense it might a nice thought, but it is totally unacceptable, taken the context and background of this part of scripture. Judah is the son of Jacob, and in this line is David, and Jesus is also in this line of Judah. That's it. Jesus is being compared with a lion (and at other times with a lamb), and he stands in the line of the tribe of Judah. That's it. Jesus is NOT being compared with ethiopian emperors in Revelation! Take it from a theologian. But I already know you won't take it at all Respect! _____ Bless! Jochem

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 22 Sep 2004 17:03 Post subject: quote

MD,
Yes I see what your point (fact or "myth" I don't know). Yet don't you think that it is sort of demeaning (so to speak) to compare YESUS with Ethiopian rulers instead of realizing that Jahn was refering to YESUS as **THE** Lion of Judah not..... **A** Lion of Judah.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 22 Sep 2004 19:30 Post subject: quote

Haile Selassie is known as The Lion of Judah so please keep deh facts straight, Ini will not let any tek anything away from deh King of Kings.
bless

_____
"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Sep 2004 20:26 Post subject: quote

PerfectLovein HIM: Yesus also told his disciples THEY (and therefore we) are the Light of the World and the Salt of the Earth too.

Irie, please re-read the paragraph and keep in mind you also call Jah your FATHER. Why are you then not asking why Jah compares Himself with a human? I know the answer. I also know that your remarks have all been adressed allready in the parahraph itself.

Warrior, like Yesus called Jah THE FATHER and not A FATHER, okay?

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Forum Veteran

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Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 23 Sep 2004 21:05 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> Now, fortunately Jah does not compare Himself with the "President" but with the Ethiopian King.

Why is it fortunate? Were all the Ethiopian Kings perfect?

MD

> **Quote:**
> Warrior, like Yesus called Jah THE FATHER and not A FATHER, okay?

Your own words contradict, don't you think so? All mankind can relate/overstand "FATHER" but not all can understand L O J. I do overstand who the Lion Of Judah is by His earthly blood line,Isaiah prophecy etc..... Not because it is in relation to Ethiopian Kings.

So only those in Ethiopia can relate to what Jahn said in

Revelation?

No, I don't fall for that line of reasoning.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JahTed

Joined: 18 Sep 2004
Posts: 5

Posted: 23 Sep 2004 23:10 Post subject: quote

Greetings all in the name of His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie. New to the forum, give thanks.
Ras Tafari was indeed crown King of Kings, Lord of Lords conquering Lion of the tribe of Yudah, Elect of God, Imanuel, King of Israel. These titles pre dates the so called man of Galilee. Its a very, very ancient tradition in Africa to crown a King with Diefic titles. The king is suppose to rule with God in his heart (God in man or mind). Its with this and other reasonings why we Haile the King. We have the earthly runnings of His Majesty to look to. Its not based on guess work.

Peace in selassie

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 24 Sep 2004 06:27 Post subject: quote

Welcome to the forum Jahted! But to give someone godly titles, doens't make someone godly/divine, I think. And what about all the other emperors before Selassie I? Were they divine as well, just because they had the same titles?

> **Quote:**
>
> Your own words contradict, don't you think so? All mankind can relate/overstand "FATHER" but not all can understand L O J. I do overstand who the Lion Of Judah is by His earthly blood line,Isaiah prophecy etc..... Not because it is in relation to Ethiopian Kings.
>
> So only those in Ethiopia can relate to what Jahn said in Revelation?
>
> No, I don't fall for that line of reasoning.

Me neither! Well said warrior.

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Bless!

Jochem

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 24 Sep 2004 07:42 Post subject: quote

So then why are you using the Ethiopian colours and name your sound after Abuna Yesehaq?

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One Love,

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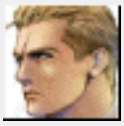
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran  Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 24 Sep 2004 09:33 Post subject: quote This is another subject you touch here. We were talking about a part of scripture (Revelation) and the idea of Jesus being compared to an Ethiopian emperor. That I use the Ethiopian colours and name my sound after Abuna Yesehaq is another thing. I don't use these because I think the bible refers to them. I use the name of Bishop Yesehaq because he was sent to Jamaica to dispel worship of Selassie and point people to Jesus Christ. And my mission is the same. And since Yesehaq is from Ethiopia, I use the Ethiopian colours. Another reason to use these colours is that they have become associated with reggaemusic so much(funny to see that a whole lot of rastafarian artist have the red on the top, while it should be at the bottom). Anyway, I'm starting to think, MD, that even if the evidence that LOJ in the bible doesn't refer to Ethiopian Emperors would be crystal clear, you wouldn't admit it. Could it be that is frightening for you to find out that a idea that you've been holding on for such a long time, is not so true as you thought it to be? _____ Bless! Jochem

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 24 Sep 2004 21:39 Post subject: quote

irie-in-christ/ jonagus

"I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT THE ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH UNLIKE THE X-RISTIANITY THAT DWELLS IN DEMONISING ETHIOPIA & H.I.M., STILL ACKNOWLEDGES H.I.M. AS THE JAH CHOSEN DEFENDER OF THE FAITH"

About selasie(H.I.M.)'s burial, there is still no proof that they found H.I.M.'s body remains. The media & the baby wrong leaders who POLITRICKALLY run things, have done a great job, when it comes to playing with the publics HYPNOTISED programmed mind set.

First! they didnt know where the heck H.I.M.'s body was, of which they said only Mengistu the dictator knew. LATER on after mengistus dictatorship they come up with a body saying, 'mengistu & his workers told them where H.I.M.'s body was'. **Witnesses say the body remains which were buried were 6ft long, H.I.M. was a little man about 5ft??**

MM MM How comes they dont believe everything else MENGISTU says but they believe this ONE????? I guess its part of their ANTI-RASTA-BABY WRONG-PROPAGANDA!

QEDAMAWE BLESS!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 24 Sep 2004 23:10 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> **irie-in-christ/ jonagus**
> **"I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT THE ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH UNLIKE THE X-RISTIANITY THAT DWELLS IN DEMONISING ETHIOPIA & H.I.M., STILL ACKNOWLEDGES H.I.M.** AS THE JAH CHOSEN DEFENDER OF THE FAITH"

Huh? Why is this directed to me? I have never denied that his imperial majesty was a great defender of the Christian faith! Nor have I ever demonized Ethiopia, which I regard as the homeland of all humanity! What are you talking about?

_____

Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies.
—Berhane Selassie

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 24 Sep 2004 23:20 Post subject: quote

jonagus

sorry I put you in a MIND SET team you dont be long

BLESS!

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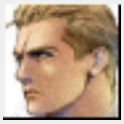
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 06:09 Post subject: quote

Me neither, warthog! Why is this also adressed to me????

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Bless!

Jochem

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 08:44 Post subject: quote

"another subject"

Sure..

Go right ahead.....

Feel right.....

Almost sounds like "feel allright".....

Must be the same.

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prophet7

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 15
Location: http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 14:41 Post subject: quote

Selassie I dead ? Jah no dead ! If HIM dead then where the remains ?
Yeah man Babywrong propaganda ! No-one has ever taken the Title/fullfilled the Title (in the Bible) like Selassie has and still does.
HIM fulfilled the prophecy in the Bible who else can claim the same ? What more proof Babylon want ? Yeah man like the Bible say "they (Babylon) shall look for a sign but there shall be none given unto them but the sign of Jonah."
"Many shall be called but only a few shall be chosen." - seen ? When Iesus came and even TOLD them who He was/is did they believe HIM ??? NO! So expect the same inna these times.
Only the called and chosen shall know their King (read it in the Bible) and only they shall receive the sign of their Kings name on their foreheads.
Well that time is now.....we are living in the time of Revelation and the prophecies are being fulfilled. He who has eyes shall

see and he who has ears shall hear.

One Love
Prophet7

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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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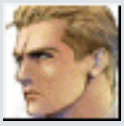
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 18:31 Post subject: quote

MD, it seems to me that if you don't have anything to say anymore, you start talking about people being politically correct and say things like 'feel right' and stuff. Why?

And yes, when we are talking about Revelation 5 and the idea that this compares Jesus to an Ethiopian Emperor, and you start talking about why I use the colours of Ethiopia, that IS another subject.

Wazzup?

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Bless!
Jochem

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 26 Sep 2004 04:41 Post subject: quote I hope you will find out why they are all about the same thing. What is do you think the teaching of Abuna Yesehaq concerning Selassie? It is not just that he is not Jah, which is basically how far the thoughts reach in western christianity. But it is not the teaching that Selassie is not JAH is what is important, it is the teaching as to what Selassie's spiritual significance IS that makes the difference. But this far I have never seen a reasoning in the Christian world. And it is this teaching "Haile is not Jah" that influences you into not being able to acccept principals that you would accept without a problem when it would not be applied to Haile Selassie. Have you a problem with saying Yesus is King? You should, in your line of thinking. Because "Lion of Judah" is just as much a title as "King". Have you a problem with calling Jah FATHER? No you have not but you should. It's in the bible, you say, that Jah is King and Father? So it is written He is Lion of Judah. Now this is a strange thing for the western influenced christian. This christian, totally brainwashed into "obey the authorities because they are given by god" refuses to acknowledge even the smallest spiritual significance when it comes to Haile Selassie, a descendant of Solomon. And I think that when people have an idea about Selassie that reaches no further then "he is not Jah" they abolutely do not overstand the other

things. They wear colours without knowing what they are doing.

Lord have mercy.

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One Love,

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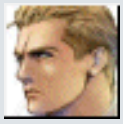

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 07:45 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> They wear colours without knowing what they are doing.

So do a lot of rasta's when they put red on top and green at the bottom of their flag, because this is not the flag of Ethiopia.

Anyway, I'm glad you are back on speaking terms again, rather than asking me if I feel right.

Quote:

> Have you a problem with saying Yesus is King? You should, in your line of thinking. Because "Lion of Judah" is just as much a title as "King". Have you a problem with calling Jah FATHER? No you have not but you should. It's in the bible, you say, that Jah is King and Father? So it is written He is Lion of Judah.

I disagree. Like warrior said, 'king' and 'father' are universal concepts that every human being can understand. An Ethiopian Emperor is not.

Quote:

> Now this is a strange thing for the western influenced christian. This christian, totally brainwashed into "obey the authorities because they are given by god" refuses to acknowledge even the smallest spiritual significance when it comes to Haile Selassie, a descendant of Solomon.

I don't see what obeying authorities has to do with someones view on Selassie I.

Now about Haile Selassie being a descendant of Solomon, this is historically and scientifically not clear at all. This is not a sure fact. Read the article on

my site called 'A biblical response to the concept of a black Messiah'. Where you say that western christians fail to give any spiritual significance to Haile Selassie, I would say you overdo the job. Calling him an 'ikon of Christ', is a huge expression and something I wouldn't say so quickly. I think you give Selassie too much credit.

Now about Revelation 5, not only western theologians but from all over the world don't interpretate this as that Jesus is being compared to a Ethiopian Emperor. And they are specialized in the Greek, in history, in backgrounds and contexts etc. Now if you want to claim it's different, go right ahead. Feel right

_____

Bless!

Jochem

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 26 Sep 2004 14:00 Post subject: quote

You are confirming 100% what I wrote before.

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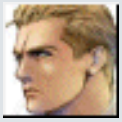

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 22:30 Post subject: quote

Sure I am.

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Bless!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 01:46 Post subject: quote

Confirming your mind set, my friend. A mind set that disables you from having an open mind when it comes to the spiritual significance of Selassie. That's your mind set: Selassie is not God period. Not an inch of any further thinking and people who do are suspect.

I can spend long hours trying to tell you things you do not want to hear but I leave it at this.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 02:54 Post subject: quote

Just a thought.. but what I hear too often is more opposition than love. I will read more into this Abuna Yesehaq, but I'm beginning to see that if you put too much focus on Selassie, Christians 'generally' see this as worship. Take away the focus and then it seems to 'diminish' Rasta.

Of course we won't all agree but can we come to middle ground? The facts about Selassie and his ties to Solomon are not concrete enough, but that alone does not disprove the validity of his heritage. This may sound harsh but generally speaking I see Rastas approach the subject of Selassie in the same way many Catholics approach the priest, and the word 'Dogmatic' comes to mind.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
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Posted: 27 Sep 2004 17:05 Post subject: quote

blessed love,
Ini have jes com forward again and have viewed all posts on deh topic. deh refusal for ones to acknowledge deh divinity of Ethiopia's royal line is so ridiculous. no other country upon creation can mek dis claim or can refute Ethiopia's claim of having deh Throne of david or deh Ark of the Covenant of Jah. dese facts alone mek Ethiopia Zion or heaven upon Earth because the Ark is deh dwelling place of Jah upon creation from its inception. even more convincing is that the country not deh lineage of Isreal has been covertly petitioning Ethiopia for deh last 30 years heavily for deh return of deh Ark of the Covenant, that according to Isrealis(not Isrealites) doesn't even exist anymore or that has been lost to oblivion.
No other man in 2000 years has stood up wid dese titles **& proclaimed dem to deh world. dat is deh difference between Haile Selassie I and deh rest of His predecessors whom had deh majority of His titles also, He manifest H.I.M.self before deh world, whereas those before H.I.M. ruled in solitary because Ethiopia was closed off from deh rest of deh world similar to China. when Yohn speaks of seeing "heaven" open up, dis specifically refers to Ethiopia because of how I-Majesty "modernized" deh country. and brought it out of obscurity and to the doorsteps of Europe. When Yohn sees a throne wid a rainbow around it, try and find me a throne dat has a banner around it closer to a rainbow dan I-tes(red), gold & green, you won't find it. ones must be forgetting deh fact why Jah established His throne upon deh face of creation and what it represents. it represents Him upon the face of creation as God & King. if dis was not so, deh would have not mocked Christ as deh King of Isreal for not sitting upon deh throne as did David & Solomon. deh fact remains dat dere is no response for deh "Ancient Monarchy" dat includes Adam to Emmanuel deh Christ forward to His Imperial Majesty, none! when Haile Selassie I comes forth with deh title Elect of Jah, dat means if deh Almighty held an election to vote for one man outta deh whole of creation, dis is who He picked to represent Him. when Peter talks talks about deh chief cornerstone and how it is to be [b]elect** and precious, dis is notta coincindence. when deh new testament echos deh old and says dat deh Deliverer shall com outa Zion, where has deh location of Zion been since halfway through King Solomon's reign? in I-thiopia!!
alotta ones will not overstand dis post because alotta ones will choose not to

read or accept deh truth contained in deh Kebra Nagast. dis in itself is okay but ones really have to question how can dis medium size Afreecan nation have the chutzpah to stand and not be conquered by any outside nation from since creation was, have a ruler dat takes unto H.I.M.self deh exact titles of Christ, carries H.I.M.self inna manner dat even allows dis discussion and holds deh only legitimate claim to deh most sacred tangible/man-made object upon deh face of creation.
ones must remember dat dis entire forum would not even exist if dere was no mystery and mystique surrounding the King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the Defender of the Faith, the Elect of Jah & the Light of the World. dat fact alone has drawn ones who refuses to acknowledge H.I.M. for who He is but still cannot run from what is in their spirits'. something is causing "dese doubting thomases" to keep communing wid sons and dawtahs of deh King of Kings and it is not proselytizing because Rases or at least dis Ras is not fallin' fi di okee doke, seen. so now dis becomes an issue for 1st advent Christians to ponder, (except for MD) deh question of why are you here reasoning wid a bredren who knows your basic theology and who has
I-levated it to its present heights of RasTafarI and who refuses to regress.
Give Thanks fi life
blessupinH.I.M.[/b]

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 17:43 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M.

> **Quote:**
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There is no mystery.

You have come to this forum to only (in some way) try to prove your "be-lie-fs" are truth themselves.

I have no doubt that Yesus the Christ is the Light of the world, King of Kings, Lord of Lords.

Are you not here runnin' yourself? Many are under a great babylonian illusion and this illusion permiates through much of your reasoning. When you say you are against babylon,you work for it. babylon is against Jah and Yesus is Jah. You are against Yesus. Then you are against Jah.

You are sure of what you say?

I am completely sure in both mind and spirit of what Yeshua say.

You talk of doubting Thomas and fail to see who Thomas called his Lord and his God.

By your posts I would say that it is you who continue to "commune" with the SONS and DAUGHTERS of the Most High YESUS! Who is the King of Kings.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 27 Sep 2004 18:35 Post subject: quote MD, remember that you have a certain mindset as well, which also can be questioned... _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 27 Sep 2004 19:08 Post subject: quote warrior, you sound similar to a pharisee who like dem was so stuck into deh written deh could not behold deh word made flesh. you will accept a man, who you've never seen, whose exploits have been translated, misconstrued but will refuse deh return Christ in flesh whom you have beheld with your very eyes. Ini praise deh God of deh living, matter of fact deh everliving so whatever rhetoric you choose for your rebuttal it won't matter cuz when Ini chant out deh word sound fiyah of Haile I, all weak hearts tremble. so iz jus more love and I-nity, yuhknow- give thanks fi life Hail H.I.M. _____ "being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in

sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Joined: 30 Apr 2003
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Posted: 27 Sep 2004 19:35 Post subject:

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Quote:

> you sound similar to a pharisee who like dem was so stuck into deh written deh could not behold deh word made flesh. you will accept a man, who you've never seen, whose exploits have been translated, misconstrued but will refuse deh return Christ in flesh whom you have beheld with your very eyes.

Is this definition of a pharisee in your eyes?

Jah lives in my very soul. My heart is filled with Jah love. The word (YESUS)became flesh and dwelt among man for a short time and now is alive in me! Because of His Spirit I am able to love and discern His very written/spoken word. I am able to overstand life and love and I am able to live it. Not I, but the MESSIAH in I.

If this is your definition of pharisee then.....

Jah told Thomas (and all those who) blessed are those who haven't seen and believed.

Psalm 119:147 I rise before dawn and cry for help; I have put my hope in your word.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and CERTAIN of what we do not see.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 20:58 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-X-rist

FIRST! " Some of you have rastafarian creativity all over the works you claim yet you are so quick to condemn I "

I have walked with the africans/ ethiopians in kenya courtesy of www.shashamane.com .

concerning your websites article on a 'black messiah'.....

My advice to you is :->"as a wannabe christian your better off quoting the scriptures than some of this politrickally motivated kenyan lectures to aid a spirituall factual messianic course"

SOME of the aged-out kenyan lecturers your quoting are responsible for betraying their freedom fighters(maumau) to the crazy colonists, in return for money & various maliciously attained favors.

I came to learn this lecturers are the same guys running their goverment, SOME of this lecturers are guilty of hailing up a colonial doctrine that says:-> "ethiopian traditions are paganly-barbaric" in order to create a hypnosis in the populations mind-set that the europian west is superior in all ways, even spiritually.

SOME of this kenyan lecturers are guilty of aiding in the outlawing the rastafarian movement & ordering the torture of ethiopian rastas. Just imagine up to now they in their unchanged racist british laws still term their freedom fighters(mauamau) as terrorists?? ??? just because the british- "crazy"-colonists said so.

SOME of them are guilty of selling out ethiopian tradition & culture to biased racist europian scholar interpretations, which they now use in ethiopian schools as the only legal curriculum.
"I'm ashamed but not surprised you Irie-in-X-RIST has the audacity of hailing up their politrick quotes in your website in a spiritual messianic course"

LAST but not least! Some of you X-ristians make me happy. You talk like you have already made up your mind on:->-- how the messiah looked like
--hoW the messiah should look like

-- a messiah must be crucified like YESHUAH(WHO burned out your blasphemy by saying "it comes only to the pure in heart to see JAH") --he must be tortured again to death

mm mmm I guess in your mind-set your so hypnotised into the caeser gladiator games that only messiahs come through baby wrong torture games.

mm mm & you even wonder why I call you foot soldiers??? ?? a good example is when you hail up the politrickal quotes of this kenyan lecturers who are guilty of cowardly aiding colonialism.

I tell you on a downlow some of you are voluntary or unknowingly aiding to nature this baby wrong "global plantation" .

QEDAMAWE BLESS!

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 19:59 Post subject: quote

Warthog, some advice: if you wish that people will listen to you and take anything serious that you are saying, you'll have to start communicating in a different way.

A wannabee christian

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 28 Sep 2004 21:48 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-christ

THANKS! but I'm not working very hard to get an A+ in your english class

BLESS!!

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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 29 Sep 2004 15:13 Post subject: quote

WART_HOG u keep putting it over like christianity was started in europe,when my brudren show through his studies and as de bible shows also that it started within asia and africa.You acting like white people are evil,and jus because of the history u sticking to that idea,BIG LASH some of our own black people did jus as bad as them,all races have evil people as well as righteous people.Secondly is some of the same white men the fought to free us from slavery some of them even got kill so we could be free today and guess what,is dem same white men from BRITIAN AND EUROPE that fought for us.SO u betta get outta that state of mind cause is real sad to see u talking about freedom and still being clearly in mental slavery.Besides christ showed clearly that is those who harm us that we should go all out to be extra nice to.SO if u be of christ start to help and be nice to all mankind and stop from all de cutting down and judgement cause god alone will judge.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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Reggae D.O

Joined: 09 Jun 2003
Posts: 93
Location: CA

Posted: 29 Sep 2004 15:24 Post subject: quote

Well said! Blessings

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 29 Sep 2004 18:16 Post subject: quote **regis_sound** I'm not talking of white/ black if you try to overrstand me more clearly. I confront the filth within & that which is hypocratically presented outside. We have always had wicked men in every race, judases in every race. I dont care about the so called white men you say helped liberate the black people from slavery . **YES MORALLY AS WANNABE CHRISTIANS THEY HAD TO BETTER DO THAT OR ELSE FACE THE UNQUENCHABLE WRATH OF BLACK BABIES CREATOR!** I leave you with this:-> **"If somebody white or black punches me on my nose, I wont say its the devil who punched me, I will say its that white/black guy who punched me, no hiding cause I saw him"** BLESS!!
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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 29 Sep 2004 23:00 Post subject: quote

Warthog I dont care about the so called white men you say helped liberate the black people from slavery . YES MORALLY AS WANNABE CHRISTIANS THEY HAD TO BETTER DO THAT OR ELSE FACE THE UNQUENCHABLE WRATH OF BLACK BABIES CREATOR! Thats because u still in mental bondage,check it ,u dont care about white men who helped liberate us,from all your statements i`ve ever seen u have down graded the white man and there works or judgements.U talked about king james and the bible and u dont believe it cause he wrote it and yet still u refering us to other books which other non white people have written,i wonder y u hold dem over king james.And no one dent have to help free us they did it cause they were good men,how dear u judge these men which u have not known one thing about and call them wannabes ,and again watch this statement black babies creators.YOU FOR REAL????? Boss god made everything and every race so shut up with that slur.What about de blacks treating indians bad or even blacks having whites in slavery??? You jus have conveinent memory.We are all gods children and he loves us all equally. Warthog I leave you with this:-> "If somebody white or black punches me on my nose, I wont say its the devil who punched me, I will say its that white/black guy who punched me, no hiding cause I saw him"

Actually you are wrong.You should say its the devil, cause it would be him that lead the person to hit you,saying that this is not a physical fight but a spiritual fight.So yes u were it by a man but really is the devil that caused it.Check how god works remember peter cutting off de soilders ear?and jesus stopping him and putting back on the soilders ear??Jesus showed us how to fight and who we are really up against.Not man but the devil.So u my friend are wrong.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 21:19 Post subject: quote

regis_sound

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First! you will greatly discover I-man warthog isn't even in those stupid racial games babylon loves to indulge in. My enemies come in different skin shades, black/white/green & ACCORDING TO ME, BE IT MY CLOSEST FAMILY all *DELETED* stinks same!!

No 'FLIMSY' excuses! you footsoldiers, you the same people 'as birds of the same X-ristian feathers' jailing people for doing wrong in different length jail terms depending on the crime done. YOU ARE NOT WORTHY ENOUGH LIKE YESHUAH TO JUDGE AS IN CREATOR-WISE, AS THE PETER EXAMPLE YOU GAME ME. JAH CAN DESTROY & CREATE, CAN YOU?? ??? ?*&&*(((.

Now you quick at tell me how righteous this white man is, to aid in liberating the slaves, why arent you quick to thank only god & not the white man, YES! for its god doing it???

About the JEWS;->MM MMM THEY DEFINATELY DONT FIT PAULS DEFINATION OF JEWS FROM MANY OF THEIR ACTIONS , BUT AGAIN NEVER MIND .
UP TO NOW WE STILL DONT KNOW HOW TO DETERMINE 'WHOS! WHO' OR IF LINEAGE JEWS STILL EXIST. WE CAN ONLY IMAGINE. WE CANT STILL PROOF THE CALL THEMSELVES JEWS IN THE PRESENT DAY GEOGRAPHIC ISRAEL ARE WANNABES OR THE REAL DEAL. WE CAN EVEN USE THE BIBLE IN YOUR HISTORY OF QUOTE GAMES.

About the bible, YAYAAA AA! thanks to king james he managed to salvage a few books written by different authors of different babylon-wise races, which lie under one JAH-WISE HUE-man race. Believe me, I will leave you with my question quote:-> "WERE THE SCRIPTURES CREATED FOR MAN OR MAN FOR THE SCRIPTURES?? ???"

QEDAMAWE BLESS!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 22:44 Post subject: quote

REGIS_SOUND

AGAIN you wrote:-Check how god works remember peter cutting off de soilders ear?and jesus stopping him and putting back on the soilders ear??Jesus showed us how to fight and who we are really up against.Not man but the devil.So u my friend are wrong.

YAAY YAYA!! I still qive you that question" was the bible created for man or man for the bible? ??m mm iguess thats why FOOT-SOLDIERS cause of contradicting this fact, have been forced to stretch the TRUTH to their more tamed out fantasies"

IN my overstanding I guess maybe if you didnt really finish the verse in your ever quote game; YESHUAH says after healing the soldiers ear:-> ''those who live by the sword shall die by the sword'' , FOR ANY ONE WHO DOESNT LIVE BY A BOOK BUT BY JAH WORD KNOWS YESHUAH USED LOVE TO FIGHT HIS FIGHTS!!

QEDAMAWE BLESS!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 30 Sep 2004 23:01 Post subject: quote

REGIIS_SOUND

FOR ANY ONE WHO DOESNT LIVE BY A BOOK BUT BY JAH WORD KNOWS YESHUAH USED LOVE TO FIGHT HIS FIGHTS

THAT doesnt mean he spared the scribes & pharisees from his word, he didnt say devil, he said "you pharisee" "you scribe"....

I LEAVE YOU WITH THIS PHRASE:-> "ANY WICKED MAN BEING USED BY THE DEVIL TO DO VARIOUS KINDS OF EVIL IS A DEVIL IN FLESH, ANY RIGHTEOUS MAN IS JAH IN FLESH, BLESSINGS!"

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 00:19 Post subject: a righteous man

In words of Charlie Chaplin," Selassie he was a righteous man, coming from the line of King Solomon." Yeah he made mistakes like any human being also does, but he also had Jah Spirit in Him like any one can also. So you asked the question if he is good or bad? In my opinion he was a righteous man.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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Makheru8

Joined: 11 Oct 2004
Posts: 7

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 03:17 Post subject:

From what vantage do we gauge the success or failure of Selassie I. This idea: "he made many mistakes" who has enough information about Ethiopia to know weather or not the decisions he made were appropriate? History can only be the judge of that one, and as history(time) has not closed the verdict is still out. My question though is why do you use the Lion of Zion symbols, the red gold and green, dreads, etc.. when it seems so many of you have such disdain and contempt for Rastafarian doctrines and the Champion of Faith? It would seem that you all agree on the divinity of Jesus Christ.. why aren't you following him? If he is the light that guides you follow him, or is it that you are still seeking? Seriously, if you have a light for your path, why did you jump on Rastas' train? Its peculiar behavior, to adopt the symbols of a movement that one declares invalid -- is that sane? Oui have stated that you declare the movement invalid because you have stated that Selassie I was not divine, Selassie I was not of the root of David, Selassie I was not a good leader of his people, even as far as to say Selassie I did not practice what he preached-- this destroys nearly everything that Rasta is -- and if you choose to believe those things cool -- but why then associate yourself with Rasta or its symbols? One can say that the "Conquering Lion of Judah" and related symbols do not belong to Rasta as they are referenced in the Holy Bible and are property to all. Rasta may not have defined these ideas(symbols) --but Rasta is certainly responsible for their character (i.e. without Rasta the appeal of those symbols would likely not be as strong)... Who sees Red Gold and Green and thinks Rome (granted I overstand this is not the order on the Flag.. but I respect the Creator and him create red gold and green...then ones can still argue that

the order on the flag shifted several times in history before being "fixed" with the green on top).

In Peace,

Mac

+: I overstand Selassie I followed Christ -- but it is increasingly apparent that we do not share a common concept of the nature nor character of Christ. This is why ones said 'if you have your light(truth) -- follow it' -- if you still seek-- search. But must Selassie I's name suffer because you have yet to determine your truth? And if you have found a truth follow it -- or do you find the distraction of our "untruths" more facinating than the truth you have accpeted?

_____
Live and let Live
Live and let Love
Love and let Love
Love and let(s) Live.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 07:30 Post subject: quote

I think I found the answer to your questions.
Yesterday I finished the text of an essay on Christafari which will be published in a few days.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 13 Oct 2004 16:57 Post subject: quote **Makheru8 wrote:** My question though is why do you use the Lion of Zion symbols, the red gold and green, dreads, etc.. when it seems so many of you have such disdain and contempt for Rastafarian doctrines and the Champion of Faith? ...Its peculiar behavior, to adopt the symbols of a movement that one declares invalid -- is that sane? Makheru, I think you will find that many non-Rastas here, like myself, have *great* respect and reverence for Emperor Haile Selassie. As for the symbols: the Lion is an image from the Jewish and Christian scriptures, from which Rastafarians derived it. Ethiopia was a Christian nation for centuries before Rastafarianism ever existed. "Dreads" occur naturally in many hair types, and many people prefer them for their naturalness and/or as a celebration of their heritage. None of these are exclusively Rasta domains. In fact, the majority of them (lions, colors, magens) are symbols that Rastas derived from Judaism and Christianity, not the other way around. **Quote:** One can say that the "Conquering Lion of Judah" and related symbols do not belong to Rasta as they are referenced in the Holy Bible and are property to all. I wouldn't say "to all." I would say such images will inevitably be used by all people and religions of a Judeo-Christian heritage. That includes Rastafari, which is a derivative religion.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

Makheru8,

I think that you have been given the wrong impression of LOZ due some incorrect info. I don't think that you have seen something that downgrades or disrespects Selassie in any way that came from LOZ. First it is a matter of perspectives. If you believe that HIM is diven then anything that anyone could say to show something contrary is seen as being disrespectful. If someone thinks of HIM as God and I do not, I am automatically seen as on the attack and that is by no means the case. The only goal in LOZ is for people who do not know Christ to find Christ. I don't think even one person here thinks that Christ cannot reveal Himself through a Rasta faith. However when that happens there is an adjustment that takes place in regards to previously held beliefs. Think of the life and testimony of Judy Mowatt. Is she not still Rasta in life style, yet she sees HIM in a differant light now. She has seen HIM as He him self wanted to be seen. That is by no means an illegitimate growth!

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Makheru8

Joined: 11 Oct 2004
Posts: 7

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 18:50 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Some say Haile Selassie was not a good man at all. According to them he was not very intelligent, and he made many political bad moves. I spoke with some ethiopians, and they had only bad words about their former emperor...

Jah Pickney wrote:

> Even though he was a devout Christian he did not always practice what he preached. He was a great fighter but he was known for giving bad treatment to the por and hungry.

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Strictly spoken you could say that even Haile Selassie was walking in a babylon spirit (opressing and not looking after the poor and needy).

JonaGus wrote:

> The same may be said of many monarchs in history. A good example is Tsar Nicholas II: he was an extremely devout Christian and great family man, but definitely not cut out for politics and the monarchy.
> .

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Some even say that he was a dictator. I don't know what reasons they have for this, and whether these reasons are valid. Anyone?

Jah Pickney wrote:

> I can too! Just because men decided to give him those titles doesn't mean that's who he truly is.

warrior wrote:

> Why is it fortunate? Were all the Ethiopian Kings perfect?
>
> .

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

> Now about Haile Selassie being a descendant of Solomon, this is historically and scientifically not clear at all. This is not a sure fact. ...I think you give Selassie too much credit. ...

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Respectfully, If oui have gotten the wrong impression it is because oui read what was written. Jonagus: you imply that Haile Selassie was not a fit ruler and king -- is that honor or respect? Blaminak -- what incorrect info? oui can decide if oui have seen writings that downgrade and are disrepectful to Selassie I -- oui have. Oui view Selassie I as the 225th King to sit on the throne descended of the line of David -- oui don't view Selassie I as "saviour" -- but these things that were written are still disrespectful -- you say HIM name not HIM name -- you call him a liar!

Ones mention Rasta as a "derived" religion... all things grow refine and blossom. Christianity and Judaism do not represent the beginning of theological thought. The Lion of Zion is purely AFRICAN...Apedamak an old ntr(god) of Nubia (Sudan) predates any christian thought by thousands years, and as you say future ideas are "derived" from previous ones. So I guess to complete your reasoning above Rasta borrowed the symbol of Christianity/Judaism who borrowed the symbol from Ethiopians (Nubians). Additionally, the use of a symbol requires intimate knowledge of said symbol. If one is to ascribe something the symbol of a Hare it would be because that thing emboided the qualities and attributes of a hare. The only people who can use a hare as a symbol are those who are around hares enough to understand their traits qualities and attributes. It is only these people who overstand hares and can ascribe it as a symbol for something else.

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Posted: 13 Oct 2004 18:59 Post subject: quote

more fiyah!!!!!

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Posted: 13 Oct 2004 19:56 Post subject: quote

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Quote:

> Ones mention Rasta as a "derived" religion... all things grow refine and blossom.

I appreciate that you have a positive view of Rastafarian development. It is still derivation, nevertheless. Rastafari is still inseparably rooted in Judaism and Christianity.

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"Zion" was the name given to a Jebusite fortress *near modern-day Jerusalem* that was conquered by David (2Samuel 5). It was located on a hill in southeastern Jerusalem called Mount Zion. (This hill is now the site of David's Tomb & the Church of the Dormition) In David's time, Zion was a section of Jerusalem. After his death, it came to refer to the Temple mount of Jerusalem, i.e. Solomon's Temple and its grounds. Over time it referred to all the high land of Jerusalem. Among people in the Jewish diaspora, much later, it came to refer to the whole promised land of Israel.

The Lion has always been a symbol of the tribe of Judah (Genesis 49:8-12), whence the kings come. Zion is part of the land belonging to Judah.

On what grounds could you possibly assert that this is "purely African"? It's in Israel, brother, and it's Jewish.

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Ini was listening to a Morgan Heritage song called "outta hand" yesterday and deh lead singer, Peter Morgan made an excellent point of saying dat "deh royalty is so high dat some can't attain, nuffa wi ah work in vain".
when one sits down and meditates on deh presence of H.I.M. on earth during deh 20th century, for many it becomes inconceivable for an ancient biblical personage to be present during dose times so dey were forced to down grade Haile Selassie I's status, to dispute His titles, to dispute His lineage, to dispute whether or not Mama I-thiopia indeed holds deh Ark of the Covenant of Jah and for what? why go out of your way to attempt to dis deh King of Kings? do you think anywhere in deh Christian theology dat dis is upful and positive?

Quote:

has seen HIM as He him self wanted to be seen

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Quote:

Matthew 9:30
And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See [that] no man know [it].

Matthew 12:16
And charged them that they should not make him known:

Matthew 16:20
Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

Matthew 17:9
And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

Mark 3:12
And he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.

Mark 5:43
And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.

Mark 7:36
And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published [it];

Mark 8:30
And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.

Mark 9:9
And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.

Luke 5:14
And he charged him to tell no man: but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

Luke 8:56
And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.

Luke 9:21
And he straitly charged them, and commanded [them] to tell no man that thing;

now Ini waan deh I dem to see deh numerous times Emmanuel specifically told ones not speak of what he had done, basically denying

Himself recognition and glory. so when ones come and say dat Christ was just out and about saying dat He was Jah any and everywhere, that is not true. it still took a "divine conception of deheart to behold Him."

so when Selassie I says " I am mortal and will be replaced by the oncoming generations"

then in deh next breath H.I.M. says regarding death "We do not understand your question" "who is dis woman, what does she want?" (Fallaci inner-view)

or when He says "Who am I to doubt their(Rases) faith?"

for many it would seem to be giving contrasting messages but it is deh walking of deh fine line of Jah and man, because Jah never has to say dat He is Jah.
Hail H.I.M.in perfectlove

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 20:37 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

> now Ini waan deh I dem to see deh numerous times Emmanuel specifically told ones not speak of what he had done

Yes, many times Y'shua told his disciples not to tell others who he was or what he was doing because his "hour" had not yet arrived. But he *never* told his disciples (or anyone else, for that matter) that he is not God, that he is not the Christ, that he could not perform miracles, etc. In fact, he told his disciples and many others that he *is* God and that he *is* Christ, and performed miracles before them. This is why his enemies sought to stone him: they heard him claim divinity. *He never denied who he is*, even accepting their adoration and worship, he merely asked some people not to expose the truth for a short time.

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Actually, you're wrong. He did both: he told many people and he hid it from many people. You can call it inconsistent, perhaps, but you can't deny it.

I think what you're trying to argue is that Selassie hid his divinity like Y'shua. I agree that Y'shua sometimes hid himself (other times, he definitely did not). But Y'shua never denied himself. Not once. Y'shua NEVER said "I am not God" or "I am not the Christ." Y'shua never called anyone his own "Creator," because he is not a creature. When his disciples worshipped and adored Y'shua, he never rebuked them nor told them to stop.

But Selassie *refused* wroship when he said "I am a man, and man cannot worship man." And Selassie *denied* being God when he called Y'shua his Creator. I do not believe Selassie was lying about this. He really isn't God.

There are many Rastas who have studied Selassie's words and agree about this. The Twelve Tribesmen I've heard don't believe Emperor Selassie is God, and they are Rastas. You don't have to believe Selassie is God to be a Rasta.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 13 Oct 2004 20:44 Post subject: quote

Y'shua NEVER said "I am not God"

ON THE CROSS YESHUAH SAID FATHER WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME, IN RESPONSE TO THIS I GET REALLY TIRED OF HEARING ALOT OF MANMADE FANTASY CONTRADICTING THE TWO.

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 13 Oct 2004 22:57 Post subject: quote **warthog wrote:** Y'shua NEVER said "I am not God" ON THE CROSS YESHUAH SAID FATHER WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME We believe Y'shua is God, *not* the Father. There is no contradiction between these two beliefs. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 13 Oct 2004 23:07 Post subject: quote so know we are saying dat dere is a difference between God & deh Fada? _____ "being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.
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Posted: 13 Oct 2004 23:22 Post subject: quote

so now we are saying dat dere is a difference between Jah & deh Fada?

why when Britain sent official emmisaries to Ethiopia in 1958 & 1959 to ask Haile Selassie I to deny He is deh Almighty to halt deh Rastafarian movement, there was never ever any response official or unofficial?

does not Christ refer to Jah as deh one who sent Him, not that He was deh sender Himself?

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Posted: 13 Oct 2004 23:32 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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The Father is God and the Son is God, but the Father is not the Son and the Son is not the Father. This is the ancient and traditional Christian faith. All Christians believe this, including Emperor Haile Selassie.

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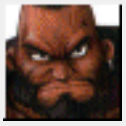

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Selassie may not have forcibly stopped them, but he did *tell* people not to worship him. That is not a "theory," it is a direct quote from his majesty: "I am a man, and man cannot worship man."

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 00:39 Post subject: quote

but dose men did worship H.I.M. as a man, regardless of what ones now say.

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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 00:44 Post subject: quote

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Sometimes what we intend to communicate and what is said are two different things.Above you created an analogy between Selassie I and Nicholi, and in saying that the qualities and traits that Selassie I had were similar to those of 'many other leaders' specifically Nicholi whom you then say "is not fit for politics or a monarchy" you draw attach those same attributes to Selassie I (or maybe it is I who read incorrectly)-- you then attempt to justify it by saying "other people said he made mistakes". This is why this is disrespectful to me, HIM worked him whole life to mordernize and improve Ethiopia -- and you say he was a leader who was not cut out for monarchy? If ones "honor and respect" Him, would not they also honor and respect what HIM devoted him life to?
I'll try and explain this lion thing a different way because the hare didn't communicate the reasoning. What lions are in Israel/Judah? Hatshesput imported Lions from Punt (Ethiopia), that was in 1400 "bc", Israel nor Judah were yet nations.. I only add this to indicate that the animals were likely not living in the area at the time Judaism began. Abraham walked from the west . For a people to have adapted an animal symbol such as the Lion -- they would have had to have intimate expierence with the animal in order to overstand it as a symbol and further ascribe it to represent a concept. This is how I reached the conclusion that the Lion

symbolism is African: Lions are found in Africa... For some time North Africa has been an arid region, if Hatshepsut imported her lions from Punt, there were none in Kmt or the surrounding area at this time. As Abraham did not started his journey near Persia he was far removed from African wildlife. Jonagus -- I have no problem admitting that Rastafari has grown from Christianity and Judaism -- but you must admit that Judaism nor Christianity represent "source" material or rather root material -- they too are derived religions. With that in mind oui directed you toward Apedemak the Sudani Lion Ntr. He embodied both the creative and destructive power of light. Also Apedemak was three-headed evoking the concept of the trinity(this is a unique representation for a Ntr) Apedemak's following rose with the Nubian Kings of the twenty fifth dynasty. The twenty fifth dynasty are from the same line of Menelik I the same as Selassie I, Shabaka and Taharqa(piankhi) -- Tsawi Terhak Warada(13) were brothers -- the Solomonic line. As the septugenuit (sp) was compiled in Alexandria during the rule of the Ptolemies(many centuries later) -- it is difficult to conclude that these Sudani ideas did not find themselves intertwined into Judaism. My only point is... HIM is who him say HIM is, and to calrify what it is we call honor and respect -- but I guess those are terms that are different for each -- because those comments above show neither honor nor respect.

Jah Bless

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Author	Message
Makheru8 Joined: 11 Oct 2004 Posts: 7	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 01:00 Post subject: quote Also, Apedemak was closely associated with the King...very close akin to patron of the Royal Family -- That was it's use(the Lion symbol) in Sudan. Also as the Nubians and Kemetics were a people who were close to nature -- and delighted in bright colors in thier dress and architecture -- it is not a far reach for them to have also used RED GOLD AND GREEN as a significant color combination... Jonagus, and Irie -- just curious, would it offend you if the coming son(Iu Se[a]) were Black? I mean I know you already have your image of what he is, but just for reasonings sake? See we(well myself, and probably some others) have all entertained the western concept Christ, could you allow yourself for a second to see christ from an African perspective? It seems their is a resentment of all things African -- African Symbols, African People, African kings. This is not said because you make your points -- but you make your points and don't seem listen to others, I state this because you did not even consider Apedemak the first time. RED GOLD AND GREEN ROUND A RAINBOW CIRCLE THRONE _____

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 50
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 03:31 Post subject: Good questions Makheru quote

My question though is why do you use the Lion of Zion symbols, the red gold and green, dreads, etc.. when it seems so many of you have such disdain and contempt for Rastafarian doctrines and the Champion of Faith? It would seem that you all agree on the divinity of Jesus Christ.. why aren't you following him? If he is the light that guides you follow him, or is it that you are still seeking? Seriously, if you have a light for your path, why did you jump on Rastas' train? Its peculiar behavior, to adopt the symbols of a movement that one declares invalid -- is that sane? Oui have stated that you declare the movement invalid because you have stated that Selassie I was not divine, Selassie I was not of the root of David, Selassie I was not a good leader of his people, even as far as to say Selassie I did not practice what he preached-- this destroys nearly everything that Rasta is -- and if you choose to believe those things cool -- but why then associate yourself with Rasta or its symbols? One can say that the "Conquering Lion of Judah" and related symbols do not belong to Rasta as they are referenced in the Holy Bible and are property to all. Rasta may not have defined these ideas(symbols) --but Rasta is certainly responsible for their character (i.e. without Rasta the appeal of those symbols would likely not be as strong)... Who sees Red Gold and Green and thinks Rome (granted I overstand this is not the order on the Flag.. but I respect the Creator and him create red gold and green...then ones can still argue that the order on the flag shifted several times in history before being "fixed" with the green on top).

These questions you asked here Makheru, are indeed the

questions I have asked ever since I joined this forum. Well no matter what anyone can say about Rastafari, natty never pay them no mind. Keep on chanting like Luciano seh!

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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 03:55 Post subject: Who seh dat? quote

Good points you made Makheru about the Lion symbol being African & let's not forget the colors neither as well as locks. If I am not mistaken, the land of Israel is a part of Africa also, not the Middle East which Babylon created to divide the biblical linkage between Ethiopia and Israel. Let's not forget that the ancient Israelites were certainly not Europeans, but dark skinned inhabitants, basically African Hebrew Israelites.

Who seh that Rastafari is derived from Judaism or Christianity? Rastafari ain't no religion but a spirituality unlike Judaism and Christianity, which are religions and history has proven that. Furthermore, both of these faiths were not founded by Israelites, they embraced the Messianic Faith.

Judaism is a religion started by European Jews, the Askhenazis. Christianity came from Gentiles not Israelites. Which is obvious because the word Christianity is a greek term not Hebrew. Christ is a Gentile distortion of the Messiah, which originally means Anointed One of Yah.

Jesus is not originally the name of the Messiah, it is Yahshua Ha Mashiach. The Israelites were not known as Christians but Messians or Messianists, it was Gentiles that called them that. Rastafari don't deal with no Judaism or Christianity, but Israel and Ethiopia, the two places that Jah chose. Rastafari roots can be traced in Africa, & like I already said Israel is Northeast Africa.

Like I said already ones better watch what they say about the Emperor Haile Selassie I, because mind Jah might not punish you

for speaking against His elect. None of you can't even do the things that His Imperial Majesty did in the first place. So be careful who some of you dis because you could get a lick from Fadda.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1936
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 03:57 Post subject: quote

As a I am sure you know that many of these symbols that you refer to as being particularly Rasta are more than just that. They are Biblical symbols. Christian therefore should by all means be able to use them to mean the things intended in the Bible.

As far as the idea that there is disdain for Rastas, there is nothing further from the truth here. I for one love Rastas, along with all people. My focus has nothing to do with taking away Rasta ideas. I am just trying to forward the same faith and belief that Ras Tafari held. That is that all men need Christ as Savior. All other matters will be dealt with by God, in the heart of the individual.

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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 05:31 Post subject: Maybe not you quote

Maybe it is not your intention to criticise Rastafarians blaminack, but surely some are doing it here, & its uncall for man, love need to shown. I've reasoned with some Christian people and they are open minded not close minded like others, to overstand Rastafari. Even if they might disagree still they never act ignorant towards I n I.

His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I, taught us tolerance towards all faiths and that is what Rastafarians do practice. I might not agree with everything that Christianity, Islam, & other faiths teach, but still as a Rastaman me don't undermine them by saying they are cults, just because I don't see eye to eye with

them. No, because that is only up to the Most High, Jah, to judge ones not any of us.

You mention that these symbols are Biblical, that is true, but who in these times truly showed these symbols to the people? Jews, or Christians? I don't think so, only Rastas identified with these emblems, & were even persecuted for wearing them by Babylon. Like I said already these symbols ain't for commercialization, but for spiritual usage.

I know what ones have assumed here believing that Rastafari stole these symbols from Jews and Christians. But that is just a fallacious statement, because these are African symbols not European ones. Since history has proven that Ethiopia is the first nation on this earth, and these colors came from this spiritual land, is why I n I Rastafarians use them, to identify with Ethiopia, & Israel.

Another thing that ones need to know is that the founders of Reggae Music were Rastafarians, who sang to uplift the people in the ghetto from their sufferation, & for them to know their African History, not for gaytiness or any kind of commercialization. I don't have no problem with any non Rastafarians using Reggae, just know who the founders of the King's Muzik is, & show raspect to them.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1090
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 07:52 Post subject: quote

I know that blaminack doesn't want to communicate with me no more over the critique I have on the House of Christafari which he chooses to defend so heartically.

I even expect to be banned from this place because I am not doing anything to forward LOZ eeeh the Kingdom of God. In their words ofcourse.

But how can you be silent in an instance where there is so many untruths displayed?

[quote="blaminack"]I don't think that you have seen something that downgrades or disrespects Selassie in any way that came from LOZ. /[quote]

This has been sufficiently answered in the multitude of random quotes as they can be found all over this place.

It is even questioned how people can possibly believe Selassie to descend from king David, but when the founder of Christafari compares himself with David and Moses no one even realizes that for what it is.

> **Quote:**
>
> First it is a matter of perspectives. If you believe that HIM is diven then anything that anyone could say to show something contrary is seen as being disrespectful.

Hmm.... Why do I never hear from Rastafarians that I am disrespectfull when I witness that I do not believe Selassie to be the incarnated JAH?

Why do I only hear that my faith is doubted and my salvation too just because I do not want to join in this game of discrediting everything about Selassie and Rastafarians.

> **Quote:**

> If someone thinks of HIM as God and I do not, I am automatically seen as on the attack and that is by no means the case.

That is obviously not because you do not believe HIM to be God as there are many many many many many within Rastafari who also do not believe Him to be God and they do not ever see the end of a knife being pointed at them for their "believe" by one of these "enemies of Christianity" as Rastas are being described and sisplayed here.

Quote:

> The only goal in LOZ is for people who do not know Christ to find Christ.

This is something of which I have many reasons to sincerely and intelectually doubt.

Quote:

> I don't think even one person here thinks that Christ cannot reveal Himself through a Rasta faith. However when that happens there is an adjustment that takes place in regards to previously held beliefs.

In other words: 1 2 b a Christian? Cyaan't b a Rasta.....

Quote:

> Think of the life and testimony of Judy Mowatt. Is she not still Rasta in life style, yet she sees HIM in a differant light now. She has seen HIM as He him self wanted to be seen. That is by no means an illegitimate growth!

Even that is incorrect. Sister Judy has cut her dreads. I have seen sistren expressing their sadness over the fact that Judy is now trodding in that way.

Quote:

> As far as the idea that there is disdain for Rastas, there is nothing further from the truth here. I for one love Rastas, along with all people. My focus has nothing to do with taking away Rasta ideas.

and wheeeeeeeeeeeeeel!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Quote:

> I don't think even one person here thinks that Christ cannot reveal Himself through a Rasta faith. However when that happens there is an adjustment that takes place in regards to previously held beliefs.

Quote:

> I am just trying to forward the same faith and belief that Ras Tafari held. That is that all men need Christ as Savior. All other matters will be dealt with by God, in the heart of the individual.

Matters such as smoking herb? If you do not want to state that herb is a universal sin for all people in all times this is considered a reason not to sell your music around here as it is reason for some to literally "doubt the salvation" of you. Yes I speak about myself and no I do not want to be sold here but it is about the reason why LOZ doesn't want it. The reason I don't want it is because I do not want to be a part of the Christian Contemporary Musical Industrial Complex and hey why is it that we are not talking about Yesus Kristos?

Because it is not about Him.

It's about LOZ.

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One Love,
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1936
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 12:08 Post subject: quote

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Because it is not about Him.

It's about LOZ.[/quote]

In my heart I absolutely believe that this is all that your entire crusade is all about. You have a vendetta. That is fine. I am done talking about that.

As for the rest. Please show me a place where I have said something disrespectful about Selassie, while leaving it in the context that I intended.

And by the way I am not about defending Christafari. I am about truth, which you love to spin up into little knots to fulfill your ego boost.

For the whole heap that you talked about my ideas of changing Rasta. again you have twisted the truth for your own vendetta. You have totally misrepresented what was said. Please Jetze, tell Morgan Heritage and Gad that you now have to Dread to be Rasta! See the twist that you implied here even goes against what is commonly taught by the largest House of Rasta. Judy Mowatt says that she is a fulfilled Rasta, and that she is following the way that Selassie leads. So I think it is you who should wheel..... the adjustments of previouslt held beliefs had to do with the belief that Selassie is Divine. So I am asking now then, if you misrepresented my words to those here, as saying that the person could no longer be Rasta then you have lied to these people. I

said that they had to adjust. Even Spence in Dread Jesus talks about and has many Rastas talk about that shift in beliefs that many Rastas had to have when Ras Tafari was murdered.

Jetze now you are falling to the level of bearing false witness to continue the campaign against those that should be your brethren even if you disagree with them.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1090
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 18:10 Post subject: quote

You can believe all you want about some vendetta after all that is probably where your mind set would lead you to if you would do what I am doing.

It is because I like to state things which I for myself know are true or can be verified. That is why I refer to the fact that it was stated on this website that my music can not be sold (this was stated without any request from my side) for someone who is "known to be an avod smoker of marijuana" is not someone who is considered Christian enough.

Do I have to point out in this context how business and religion are mixed at LOZ? I think that is evidently if I look to the policy.

I really do not want anything from Christafari, other than that everybody here follows YESUS KRISTOS.

I remember too well how people gathered at this place to collectively decide over the question whether I am saved or not.

Not based on any ideas I have concerning Selassie, as many had the idea that I believe Selassie to be God.

Now where did they get that idea from? From a picture of Rastafari painted in their heads by the Christian "Researchers" and Christafari Interviews?

Not based on any self proclaimed rastafarianess from my side. I do not call myself a Rasta although other people call me a Rasta

and I do not mind because I know what they mean with that.

"Dread To Be Rasta"? That's a black uhuru tune, did you know?

You know, you don't have to tell a Rasta how to be a Rasta. Only Rastas know how to be a Rasta and nobody told them. Still they recognize each other and they sometimes chuckle a bit and play that ol'e culture song: "babylon you can't study the rastaman".

No, the reason why I have tried the last years to find ways to communicate and find common ground is to prevent the fruits of christafarianism.

Because to deny someone's faith is a serious thing. And Christafarianism is based on denying the faith of certain Christian Brothers and Sisters within and around Rastafari. With some terrible results and consequences.

You might change your words a bit in your posting, from "rastas" to "some rastas" as you write your reply to what is written here by no not only me, as it is noticed, and you might say no not a change but adjustement yet you speak about a point in which Judy became born again and you know that born again is more then an adjustement.

Tell me, can a Rasta be a born again Christian?

If the answer is "no", then you know my arguments.

If the answer is "yes" then my question is what are doing here moderating for a culture that claims all born again rastafarians are deceivers?

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 488 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 20:45 Post subject: quote **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** in His first advent was Christ omnipotent? God the Son is always omnipotent. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:10 Post subject: quote **jonagus** We believe Y'shua is God, not the Father. There is no contradiction between these two beliefs. IN MY OPINION TO KILL MOST OF THIS MANMADE "CONTRADICTING' CONFUSION I KEEP MY SPIRITUAL QUOTE THAT STATES ANY WICKED MAN IS A DEVIL IN FLESH, ANY RIGHTEOUS MAN IS JAH IN FLESH
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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:22 Post subject: quote

Makheru8 wrote:

> Above you created an analogy between Selassie I and Nicholi, and in saying that the qualities and traits that Selassie I had were similar to those of 'many other leaders' specifically Nicholi whom you then say "is not fit for politics or a monarchy" you draw attach those same attributes to Selassie I (or maybe it is I who read incorrectly)

Someone else said Selassie made mistakes. I'm not saying he did or he didn't. I'm saying that it wouldn't matter if he did: that it is possible to make mistakes as a monarch and still be regarded a great man. I see no disrespect in it. If you want to read disrespect into it, that just means you don't know me very well.

Quote:

> you then attempt to justify it by saying "other people said he made mistakes".

Read the posts yourself. Jah Pickney said it, not I.

Quote:

> HIM worked him whole life to mordernize and improve Ethiopia

I know. It is a very admirable goal.

Quote:

> and you say he was a leader who was not cut out for monarchy?

No, I said Tsar Nicholas II was not. But even if ones claim Selassie made mistakes, it does not mean he was not a very great man.

Quote:

> What lions are in Israel/Judah? ...the animals were likely not living in the area at the time Judaism began.

There were lions in the land and surrounding areas in ancient times. C.f. Judges 14, 1Sam 17, 1Kings 13, 2Kings 17, etc. "In

early historic times lions ranged over Eurasia from E Europe to India and over all of Africa." Now they are endangered.

San Diego zoo on range of Asian lions

Columbia Encyclopedia on historic range of lions

> **Quote:**
>
> Jonagus -- I have no problem admitting that Rastafari has grown from Christianity and Judaism -- but you must admit that Judaism nor Christianity represent "source" material or rather root material -- they too are derived religions.

Elements from many cultures have been adopted into Judaism and Christianity. I do not deny that at all. It is the nature of these religions to seek out the good in every culture and incorporate it. And I don't have any complaints about Rastas incorporating and using Jewish and Christian imagery, either, so long as they don't claim it is exclusively their own and deny Jews & Christians their use.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:23 Post subject: quote

JONAGUS

& I TAKE IT FROM YESHUAHS WORD, IF YOU LIVE RIGHTEOUS UNTO JAH HEEDING THE WORDS & EXAMPLES THAT YESHUAH BROUGHT FORTH, THEN YOU WILL BE FOUND WORTHY TO BE CALLED A SON OF JAH.

REMEMBER ALSO YESHUAH SAYING THAT IF YOU BELIEF IN HIM, THEN YOU HAVE BELIEVED IN THE PERSON WHO SEND HIM. "IF YOU BELIEF IN THE MESSENGER, THEN YOU HAVE BELIEVED IN HIS MASTER???"

"I SAY MOST OF EVERYTHING ELSE ABOUT YESHUAH & HIS FATHER IS JUST MANMADE CREATING MORE CONFUSION THAN THERE ALREADY IS"

BLESS!!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:25 Post subject: quote

Makheru8 wrote:

> Jonagus, and Irie -- just curious, would it offend you if the coming son(Iu Se[a]) were Black?

Would I be offended if Y'shua is black? Are you kidding? My home is decorated with black images of Y'shua!

Quote:

> It seems their is a resentment of all things African -- African Symbols, African People, African kings.

LOL Obviously you've never been to my website, brother.

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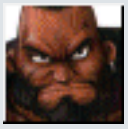

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:29 Post subject: Re: Maybe not you quote

12TribesLion wrote:

> I know what ones have assumed here believing that Rastafari stole these symbols from Jews and Christians.

Derivation is *NOT* theft!

Quote:

> these are African symbols not European ones.

Christianity is *NOT* European!

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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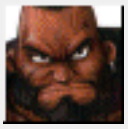

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 21:39 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> "I SAY MOST OF EVERYTHING ELSE ABOUT YESHUAH & HIS FATHER IS JUST MANMADE CREATING MORE CONFUSION THAN THERE ALREADY IS"

You can believe whatever you will. I follow the apostolic doctrines of Y'shua HaMashiach, handed down to us from his disciples in the first centuries. I profess the same Trinity that his imperial majesty Haile Selassie professed, which the Ethiopian Orthodox Church always professes. I believe that Y'shua HaMashiach is our Lord God and Creator, just as Selassie did, just as the Ethiopian Orthodox Church always has. This is the same faith Selassie proclaimed and told Christians to share throughout the world. Numerous Africans and other Christians gave their lives to defend the Christian doctrine of the incarnation of the Son of God. I will never recant it.

_____

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 22:45 Post subject: quote

jonagus

OR LETS JUST SAY OUR LIMITED UNDERSTANDING OF THE YESHUAH & H.I.M.'s WORDs IS WHAT CAUSES CONFUSION?????

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 494 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 23:35 Post subject: quote **warthog wrote:** OR LETS JUST SAY OUR LIMITED UNDERSTANDING OF THE YESHUAH & H.I.M.'s WORDs IS WHAT CAUSES CONFUSION????? I do not believe that the apostles who knew Y'shua misunderstood him, nor that they passed erroneous information down to us. So inasmuch as his words and deeds are understandable, Christians have rightly understood them from the beginning. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 15 Oct 2004 18:38 Post subject: quote

JONAGUS

do not believe that the apostles who knew Y'shua misunderstood him, nor that they passed erroneous information down to us. So inasmuch as his words and deeds are understandable, Christians have rightly understood them from the beginning.

YOU KNOW ITS FUNNY WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT UNDERSTANDING. CAUSE BELIEVE ME, THE CHRISTAFARIAN FAQ & SOME CHRISTIANS ACCUSE RASTAS SAYING "ASK EACH RASTA & HE WILL TELL YOU A DIFFERENT THING CONCERNING HIS FAITH"

BELIEVE ME ITS ONLY ON CHRISTAFARI & FROM YOUNG CHRISTIAN FANATICS THAT GIVE THE CHURCH CREDIT FOR TRUE COLORS(RED, GOLD & GREEN) & DREADLOCKS. MY CHRISTIAN CONSERVERTIVE FATHER WAS A STRONG WELL LEARNED THEOLOGIAN! CHURCH PASTOR!. HE WOULD ALWAYS FIGHT ME WHENEVER HE FOUND ME WITH TRUE COLORS OR WHENEVER I MISPLACED MY SCISSORS & COMB. I GUESS NOT EVERY CHRISTIAN UNDERSTANDS THE SAME.

BLESS!!!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 494
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 19:20 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> THE CHRISTAFARIAN FAQ & SOME CHRISTIANS ACCUSE RASTAS SAYING "ASK EACH RASTA & HE WILL TELL YOU A DIFFERENT THING CONCERNING HIS FAITH"

I've never read the whole Christafari FAQ and do not care what Christafari or Mark Mohr say about Rastas. I'd rather learn from Rastas what they believe. And as I talk to them, they do believe different things.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Makheru8

Joined: 11 Oct 2004
Posts: 7

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 00:19 Post subject: quote

Peace and Love:

Jonagus: first oui did not know of your web page, nice work (oui were only asking). Oui have no cause against you -- oui just get a little passionate about oui ancestors and birthrights.

Oui did forget the Asian lion, oui tend to focus on origins and beginnings at times. However, If you tell oui that the lion you refer to is the Asian lion, then that is cool and when oui will speak of the "Lion of Judah" in future oui will say ambessa to clarify the distinction between the lion that oui use as a symbol and yours. All life are expressions of ideas when speaking of symbol, varying a little bit in character owed to the uniqueness in each of Jah 's creation. Lions are one of few living animals that have fossils that go back well over a million years. To the degree of evolution and seperation the Asian lion (panthera leo persica) is belived to have seperated from the Barbary lion as little as 100,000 years ago. Further the characteristics and traits of the animals are different, and as such their symbolic usage is too different. The characteristics of the lands and nature in which the two lived were very different. The Asian lion lived in a wooded enviornment, as such it could not be cumbered by a full mane -- it's "mane" is shaggy, the ears of the lion are even visible. They also has "tufts" of hair on thier elbows in both lions and lionesses. These animals have a lighter coat and mane, though rarely will develop a darker color. Asian lions grown in captivity will grow larger manes (away from woods)
http://www.asiatic-lion.org/species.html .
Ambessa(Nubian/Barbary Lion) (panthera leo leo -- King of Kings?)has a thick thick mane that extends down it's belly: the mane is dark except for around the face which is golden. Ambessa has shorter legs and a more muscular body than lions. Another difference is in the eyes, Ambessa has clear light eyes as opposed to the brown eyes that other lions have. Gazing into the sun.... but that carries other symbolism both ancient and modern that oui can't reason on here.
http://lionshrine.topcities.com/extinctlion.htm
http://www.barbarylion.com/Article%202.htm
http://users.aristotle.net/~swarmack/nslions.html.

There are other behavioral traits that could be reasoned upon.

From the most ancient times our people have used this symbol -- in Bes it was ntr as an "old man" lion-headed...the idea of the gentle sun as it goes down in the evening, the origins of even the Kemetic use is from equitorial Africa -- Sudan/Ethiopia , the old reflecting on the new. A cycle of rebirth that will never end. Bes was always portrayed with a full face, a unique representation in Kmt. The pygmies were regarded highly for their knowledge of "bes' dance"(southern origin).
http://www.touregypt.net/godsofegypt/bes.htm

Apedemak was discussed in a previous post, as the idea of the conquering and creative powers of light. Also recall the concept's triune nature, and that the was prominent we know in 1"bc"-20 "a.d.", as the idea was favored by Natakamani and Amanitore (just to indicate the idea was prevelant in the upper river).

Just for future reference when oui use Ambessa as a symbol -- it is with this history that is attached, even unto the sphinx that faces the east looking tward the sinai peninsula..the rising sun, procaliming the start of all time (zep tepi) But if a mane be a measure of "strength and might" then it is appropriate to both in a sense, where as Ambessa is the "lion" in it's full might and glory -- the Asian lion (not saying it is weaker on is symbol usage) shows one can we say deprived of their (mane)glory? -- it is overstood that this is situational. Also in case ones did not have time to read the links above, the "Nubian Lion" was kept in the private Royal collection in Ethiopia.... it was thought that they were extinct, a few others were found in a royal collection in Morrocco, efforts are being made to re-establish the species. So to that Jah Bless Sellassie I : Protector of Ambessa -- for without him the may have become extinct -- lost forever...among his "mistakes" oui have seen cited is feeding them. So for oui(personally) in the future oui speak of Ambessa as the "conquering lion" that was proclaimed from the ancient of days with the symbolism above attached.

Selassie I: Jonagus, as you feel you respect him, then oui will conclude that oui just did not overstand what you were saying...and apologize to you. To others oui ask:Is it respectful to deny a man his name? Or to

deny HIM his fathers? Would respecting Haile Selassie require recognition of his names (and titles)?

Niguse Negest (King of Kings)
Atse (Emperor)
Seyoume Igziabiher Elect of God
Janhoy
Girmawi (Imperial Majesty).

Some may not approve of use of information not in the Bible, but oui thing is -- if it is true it measures but that is a matter of overstanding and not closing our ears to truth.

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Let's not forget that the ancient Israelites were certainly not Europeans, but dark skinned inhabitants, basically African Hebrew Israelites.

Who seh that Rastafari is derived from Judaism or Christianity? Rastafari ain't no religion but a spirituality unlike Judaism and Christianity, which are religions and history has proven that. Furthermore, both of these faiths were not founded by Israelites, they embraced the Messianic Faith.

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12tribeslion -- oui sight you on "overstanding". Thanks for the focus(spirituality).

It matters little though Jah is the destination on every road. With this oui will take depart. -- time for oui to go back to work.

In Peace,

Mac

Proverbs 22:1 A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and poor.

Proverbs 22:28 Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set.

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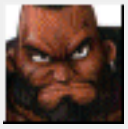

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 18:11 Post subject: quote

> **Makheru8 wrote:**
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> oui just get a little passionate about oui ancestors and birthrights.

Understandable.

> **Quote:**
>
> Selassie I: Jonagus, as you feel you respect him, then oui will conclude that oui just did not overstand what you were saying...and apologize to you.

I do believe he is a great and holy man, a worthy ikon of Y'shua HaMashiach whom he adored and served.

> **Quote:**
>
> Let's not forget that the ancient Israelites were certainly not Europeans, but dark skinned inhabitants, basically African Hebrew Israelites.

Of course they were not Europeans. They were Afro-Asiatics.

But, of course, all humans originated in Africa. Africa is our first home.

> **Quote:**
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> Who seh that Rastafari is derived from Judaism or Christianity?

I do.

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 53
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 03:42 Post subject: quote

Believe whatever you want jonagus, me ain't wasting my time arguing with you. Because Rastafari ain't derive from no Judaism or Christianity. Dem is pure religion, I n I deal with spirituality. Rastafari is from Creation, always was and always will be.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 53
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 03:44 Post subject: quote

Another thing you need to know is that it is Rastafari not Rastafarianism. We don't deal with no isms or schisms.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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JonaGus
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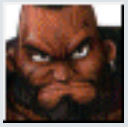

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 494
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 17:43 Post subject: quote

> **12TribesLion wrote:**
>
> Rastafari ain't derive from no Judaism or Christianity.

If Rastafari wasn't derived from Judaism & Christianity, Rastas would not use Jewish & Christian scriptures, terms, and imagery, nor would they so highly revere a devout Christian monarch of a historically Christian nation. But Rastafari is derived from Judaism & Christianity, and Rastas do those things. Just like Christianity is derived from Judaism and Buddhism is derived from Hinduism. Those are the roots. Haile Selassie himself said that one of the most pressing concerns of our age was the promotion of *Christianity*.

This is not an insult or a disrespect to Rastas or to their religions in any way. "Derivation" is *not* a bad thing: I have a very high regard for Buddhism and Rastafari, and I am a Christian. While some may see Rastafari as a crazy and even defective offshoot, you may see it as the

fulfillment toward which the whole was striving. (I don't take either of these extreme myself.) But regardless how you view it, derivation just means that no matter how deep the roots go, and no matter how true the branch is to the roots, the branch is still relatively new and unquestionably dependent.

And though you may wish to deny that Rastafari is an "ism" or "schism," it is, in reality, more than one "ism" by itself. Survey the doctrines of different Rastas and you find that Rastafari is clearly more than one religion.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Haile Selassie: good or bad man?

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 199	Posted: 21 Oct 2004 22:23 Post subject: quote **jonagus you wrote** Survey the doctrines of different Rastas and you find that Rastafari is clearly more than one religion. TO me its nothing like a religion . **To support those who say rastafari is from creation,** we all conciously know everything begun with JAH. Man came up with religion which was a way to reach JAH but over time this idea has come to fail. Man begun to wroship religion more than his creator e.g. statement like "christafarians worship the right god more than rastas/ i'm a baptist what are you.....". The devil has infiltrated mans spirit through the idea of religion. SA TAN has used religion to retard mans spirituall growth, forcing them to relly on the little spirituall knowledge of JAH HE HAS ACQUIRED & LEAVE NO ROOM FOR MORE, PASSING ON FROM GENERATION TO..... **I-man rasta has come to overstand that religion is stagnant(having no room to recognise the flow of reality)** e.g in X-ristianity Cause of arrogantly insisting the bible contains the only books about JAH, they tend to stretch the truth into some crazy fantasy directions, some you dont even want to hear or know. When you **ras-wise** come to overstand how religion has

destroyed mans ability to accept that **JAH CAN CHANGE THE FLOW OF EVENTS DEPENDING ON HOW MANKIND BEHAVES**. With my blame on religious thinking, this means that:- MAN HAS FORGOTTEN THAT JAH & NOT ANY WRITTEN BOOK (which can in many cases be only understood) IS ULTIMATELY SPIRITUALLY IN-CHARGE OF THE JUDGEMENT OUTCOME OF WORLD EVENTS.

Maybe cause of religious thinking, thats why many of the so call themselves christians can't decide whether black-slave **reparations & repatriation** is jah-morally right they would rather in their expense do it to the russian jews, whos lineage they cant really proof, AHA! Cause black slavery is not written in the bible some say?? ???

jonagus you wrote:-
But Rastafari is derived from Judaism & Christianity, and Rastas do those things.

For something spirituall & unreligious like rasta lets just say for the sake & our love for humanity we embrace in sharing alot of (ONE-JAH) ONESS spirituall attributes, We would have done otherwise but we go were JAH wants us to go.

bless!!

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 125
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 22:30 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> 1 Corinthians 12:25
> That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

deh absence of racism, classism, sexism in addition to schisms which is a break or fracture does apply to deh Rastafari movement because dis Ras buns all of dese. in deh beginning dere was Jah and He was of one like mind wid Adam, until Adam violated by transgressing. from I-ration I-tes Adam was a Rastaman and had no other choice but to be one because there were no other options until deh'evil (devil) offered contrary options which divided deh uniform mind of Jah and His I-ration.

dis Ras cites up H.I.M. and acknowledges dat He is deh culmination of "one Black mind" which is deh opportunity for hue-manity to forward back to deh original mindset, because in deh beginning -

Quote:

> Genesis 1:2
> And the earth was without form, and void; and **darkness** [was] upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters

.

dis darkness was nothing but deh darkness dat deh world beholds on deh temples of Afreecans and displaced Afreecans, which is why Afreecans can produce everyother hue but for all other hues it is impossible to produce deh root, which is darkness. dis is deh explanation for "one black mind" and how much it is relevant. now pon dis subject Ini agree wid both because both 12 tribes and JonaGus are correct but jest in different ways. deh term of one black mind means dat deh livity of Rastafari was, is and shall be evermore because it was there in deh beginning wid Jah and His wife "wiseness."

for Ini, where JonaGus is correct is the fact dat deh divinity of Haile Selassie I is acheived through deh scriptures of deh Torah and deh I-ble, which are both Judaic and Messianic texts. Ini know

dat ini am going to catch a earfull but let deh word soundfiyah commence, bless!

Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 199

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 22:32 Post subject: quote

jonagus

sorry for the wrong click of the front color. HERE i come again:

you wrote:
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BLESS!!

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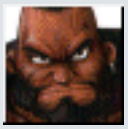
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 500
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 23:25 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

jonagus you wrote

Survey the doctrines of different Rastas and you find that Rastafari is clearly more than one religion.

TO me its nothing like a religion .

I understand that you, like so many people, object to the word "religion" and consider it evil. I *don't* consider it a bad word, personally. But whether you prefer the word "religion," "relationship," "spirituality," "dharma," "way of life," "livity," or *whatever*, my point is that "Rastafari" is not one single entity. Rastas have taught me that Rastas have very different doctrines and beliefs regarding some major issues, and that's all I meant.

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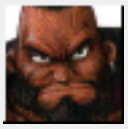
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 500
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Oct 2004 23:36 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

from I-ration I-tes Adam was a Rastaman and had no other choice but to be one because there were no other options until deh'evil (devil) offered contrary options which divided deh uniform mind of Jah and His I-ration.

Many religious groups claim the same thing for themselves. Mormons say Adam was a Mormon and there was no other option, Muslims say Adam was a Muslim and there was no other option, etc. etc.

You may believe that Adam walked upright in a good relationship with Jah from the beginning, and I agree 100%. You may also believe that his way of life is entirely consistent with a true Rasta way of life, if not exactly the same, and I would say "it could be." But he was not explicitly a "Rasta" because there was not yet any

man named "Ras Tafari" to name his way of life after. Adam could only be a "Rasta" in the way that Justin called Socrates (who lived before Y'shua became man) a "Christian": you believe his life was *consistent with* the life of a Rastaman, at least inasmuch as he was able.

> **Quote:**
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Respect for taking such a risk, even if I don't agree that Selassie is Jah.

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Author	Message
Teh drumma 4 Jah Joined: 09 Mar 2004 Posts: 6 Location: So. Cal	Posted: 10 Mar 2004 02:26 Post subject: Help me please, Dreadlock approval question! quote Well, I goto a non-denominational Christian church, and my Pastor, pulled me aside after church and told me that my dreadlocks were not good. She said that " familiar" spirits can jump on me, due to the fact that dreadlocks originated in Jamaica. So, I was forced to cut my dreads off, because my mom agreed with my Pastor. Note- I am 15 years old. So now, I need some advice on what I should tell my parents or so forth. Also, my mom doesn't like the fact that Bob Marley was a rastafarian, or that his family is still, so she was telling me, she won't allow eme to hear his music. Help!
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The Messenjah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
Location: Babylon, North Carolina

Posted: 10 Mar 2004 03:54 Post subject: quote

To the least of it all, respect your parents, even if they are being miss-led by such a belief.
If they are open to debate, or talk, you can tell them the fact that Bob Marley joined the Orthodox Church before he died. Thereby haveing to deny Haile Selassie as JAH.
As for the dread thing, you can point out to them that Samson was a nazarite(Numbers 6:3-6). as well as a good bit of other people in the Bible. So one could argue that dreads are in the bible, to say the least. Anyhow, there people on here that can explain this all better than I ever could, so, I'll end this post now.

Shalom, and blessings.
- Joshuah

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 10 Mar 2004 11:46 Post subject: quote

I would say that your pastor has some odd theology in this area which is incorrect.

However, as Messenjah says, you need to respect your parents. But you should be able to reason with them respectfully and talk to them fully about the issues involved.

There are some other threads on the forum here about locks, so if you do some searching you should find plenty of discussion about it which you might find helpful.

if you have specific questions, or ones about the points raised by your pastor or parents, ask away and I am sure people will try to help.

Blessings

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 10 Mar 2004 20:43 Post subject: quote

Yes, you must first of all; honor your Father and Mother. It seems (no disrespect) that your pastor is mis-guided. It is not outside appearence it is the heart.

So it comes down to your heart/motives.

If you or anyone else has locks because dreads are "cool" then your motives are wrong to begin with. Pray and ask GOD to show you why locks are to be a part of your life. Then continue with love and respect talking with your parents about it.

Teh drumma 4 Jah

Quote:

> Also, my mom doesn't like the fact that Bob Marley was a rastafarian, or that his family is still, so she was telling me, she won't allow me to hear his music.

I am a father of two children and I used to have over 20 different BOB albums from UK, U.S. Jamaica etc...

But after I came to know CHRIST I realized that many of Bob's songs were about rastafari being earths rightful ruler and that he gave praise to a "man" and not GOD. And that wasn't what I wanted to fill my head with. Now reading "Catch a Fire" and other books about Bob I know he was christian rooted and before his death he did deny Haille Selassie as Diety. But the image that is portrayed by the Marley family is that of rasta,herb and fame.

I have seen Ziggy and his sisters on Maybeline commercials and on the front page of High Times. Now where are the priorities of these performers? Definately not giving their spiritual life priority!!

Anyways there is sooo much good gospel reggae now and my point is that I would not like my children to listen to anything that is directing praise towards man, herb etc....

But when my children are of the age (mentally and physically) I will know that the decisions they make will be theirs and not mine.

For what it is worth - that is my response.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Farruk

Joined: 04 Mar 2004
Posts: 18

Posted: 11 Mar 2004 11:52 Post subject: quote

Dreadlocks is just a hairstyle that was copied by Rasta to be different from "Babylon".
It's origin in the Bible is from the Nazarites, but who can follow the true vows of the Nazarites and not just the hair style. Here is what the Bible says:
Numbers 6:1: "And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2: Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall separate themselves to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate themselves unto the LORD:
3: He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried.
4: All the days of his separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the vine tree, from the kernels even to the husk.
5: All the days of the vow of his separation there shall no rasor come upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth himself unto the LORD, he shall be holy, and shall let the locks of the hair of his
head grow.
6: All the days that he separateth himself unto the LORD he shall come at no dead body.
7: He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die: because the consecration of his God is upon his head.
8: All the days of his separation he is holy unto the LORD."
Can you follow that or do you just want to be "cool"?
sallam

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 11 Mar 2004 12:45 Post subject: quote

A place of agreement!!!!!!!!!!

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Farruk

Joined: 04 Mar 2004
Posts: 18

Posted: 11 Mar 2004 12:50 Post subject: quote

Sallam

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 11 Mar 2004 15:18 Post subject: quote

Sounds very familiar to me, when i was around eight years old i has an urge to locks my hair, but in our house hold it was totaly out of the question. After leaving home it was not a very strong desire to locks in me for many years, eventually when i did decide to locks my hair as a concenting adult i still faced much oposition from people and no more than the members of my own family and some loved ones.

My upbringing was rooted in the church and by no means was i void of the fear of the lord, and was not baptised until some conciderable time after i had locks on my head.

I faced resentment from all manner of people and it really hurt me at times how mankind would judge me, even by absolute strangers who would look on me but presumed the worse.

And dispite me still being around my family and friends, it was as though i had become a different person all because i had locks on my head.
And things where presumed about me, much as is to this day.

To me my hair which it is, is a personal thing how can anyone explain that better, even god says I AM.

I am not dictated by it and i am free in christ, people as normal tend to steriotype to easily at times.

In ref to somthing Warrior said

Quote:

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For years the Ethiopian Orthodox church refused to baptise Rastas on account of their belief, they insisted that in order for rasta to be baptised that they should cut of their locks.

I do not believe that christ is going to refuse anyone who comes to him and certainly not because of the fashion of the hair on a ones head.

Another point i would like to pick up on is that warrior said that they Rastas worshiped a man, lets be absolutely clear about this Jesus Christ of Nazereth was a man and according to the gospel when they worshiped him, some doubted his ligitamacy, just because he was in flesh.

And please let some one correct me if i am wrong but i have no record of Bob marley denying his faith or specifically the deity if at all of Haile Selassie 1st.

And finally may i add, i dont think his children are really carrying forward his fame, but again Bob was Bob and wh's really like him.

Rastafari ![/quote]

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 11 Mar 2004 19:52 Post subject: quote gabre, Please don't misunderstand me. I gave personal testimony that's it. It is what is in the heart and that's it. Hair can be long,short, dreaded, colored, shaved etc..... JAH knows the heart. Now I am sure you have seen the interview with Bob (time will tell video) and Bob claims that Rastafari (Haille Selassie) was/is earth's rightful ruler. **DO YOU BELIEVE THIS TO BE TRUE?** If you believe this, then.....Your wrong. But I know that CHRIST is earths rightful ruler and HE will be back to claim what is HIS. Therefore, I don't want to hear words/music which are rooted in these beliefs. And I don't want my children listening to such blasphemes either. **Quote:** Another point i would like to pick up on is that warrior said that they Rastas worshiped a man, lets be absolutely clear about this Jesus Christ of Nazereth was a man and according to the gospel when they worshiped him, some doubted his ligitamacy, just because he was in flesh. I and my children have a relationship with the resurrected YESUS and the Holy words HE spoke - Not the flesh HE walked around in.

> **Quote:**
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> And finally may i add, i dont think his children are really carrying forward his fame, but again Bob was Bob and wh's really like him

No, they are not carrying on his name and that is the point I was making. And yes no one else can be Bob - but his children have choices to continue his legacy or to start their own. And I have seen Ziggy, Cedella many of the Marley's at shows and etc... and their legacy is that of fame and fortune.

Bob was that of humble circumstances and stopping Babylon oppression and so on.... Most the Marley children are apart of this "Babylonian Greed" T.V. shows , commercials, $10 stickers, $30 shirts , all the "stuff" we see of Bob was massed produced after his death and the Marley family are reaping the benefits. Not the oppressed people that Bob so often sung about. Is this something you support?

The last Christian concert my wife and I went to was **FREE** and only asking for money if we found it placed on our hearts. This is to bring people to the saving knowledge of CHRIST. That is the way I want my children to think. GET IT!!!???

Not AIDS benefit or save the whales or buliding structures.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Teh drumma 4 Jah

Joined: 09 Mar 2004
Posts: 6
Location: So. Cal

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 09:18 Post subject: quote

When I said I meant the Marley family kepy an ongoing of him, I meant it to the fact that they continued to be Rastas. That they never denied Haile Selassie, if thats how his name is spelled, as their lord.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 11:25 Post subject: quote

Gabre, you may know that Bob was baptised to become a member of the EOC before he died and this was performed by Abuna Yesehaq, a very high ranking EOC cleric. It is a fundamental requirement of the EOC that for a rasta to be received into the EOC in this way that they renounce the concept that Selassie is Jah or Jesus.

check out
http://www.jahjahchildrencommunity.com/abunaseh.html

There is another page of extracts of interbiews with the Abuna which I can't link to for some reason - I am copying it in below:

Interviews with Abunda Yesehaq who Baptised Bob Marley

Below are "clips" from two interviews with Archbishop Abuna Yesehaq on Bob Marley's Baptism that appeared in the Jamaican Media.

Gleaner Interview
In a newspaper interview with Archbishop Abuna Yesehaq done by Barbara Blake Hannah,November 25, 1984, in the Gleaner's Sunday Magazine (pages 2,3,11), titled 'Abuna Yesehaq Looks Back on 14 Years of Ministry in Jamaica' the following was said about Bob Marley's baptism.

"Bob was really a good brother, a child of God, regardless of how people
looked at him. He had a desire to be baptised long ago, but there were
people close to him who controlled him and who were aligned to a different
aspect of Rastafari . But he came to Church regularly. I remember once while
I was conducting the Mass, I looked at Bob and tears were streaming down his face...When he toured Los Angeles and New

York and England, he preached the Orthodox faith, and many members in those cities came to the Church because of Bob. Many people think he was baptised because he
knew he was dying, but that is not so...he did it when there was no longer
any pressure on him, and when he was baptised, he hugged his family and wept, they all wept together for about half an hour."
(This section below is from p. 11.)

JBCTV Interview
In an Interview the following year (9th July, 1995) on the JBCTV (now called TVJ) program "Profile" he was asked by host Ian Boyne about the bapistim of Bob Marley. Below is a clip from that interview

Ian: You baptized Bob Marley?
Yesehaq: I did baptize Bob Marley in the presence of his wife Rita Marley and his children. Only the family, because he was not so willing to have it officially, it was difficult for him...which I don't want to describe.

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:10 Post subject: quote

Warrior

I had to laugh when I read your question about weather I believe HIM to be earth's rightful ruler, because I was just about to answer your question when I scrolled down and could see what you wrote
" If you believe this then your wrong...."

Anyway...

"I believe"

What you don't seam to understand and what no one or very few

on this web site seam to understand is the difference between Haile Selassie and Tafari Mckonnen.

Haile Sellassie and all the titles etc is Christ and they belong to Christ,
It is Christ, his name and titles that we honour.

These words are spiritual, but no one is denying Jesus Christ testimony and I am not talking about another Christ!

As for Bob Marley and his children, well god is personal and they are blessed in that they have inherited prosperity, because of their father's testimony.

As for ministry perhaps it's just not their calling...

I do understand your concern for your children and their salvation, if I am honest then I would most probly be going to a Christian church today if it was not for the church I attend, this is because the doctrine found in a lot of my Brethrens camps in Rastafari I have found wanting, however I am mightily blessed and empowered to prosper in and through the ministry I attend, of Rastafari.

I have received Jesus Christ, His first and second coming in his new name,

Haile Selassie 1st,
The Lion Of The Tribe Of Judah Has Prevailed.

Bless you.

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Farruk

Joined: 04 Mar 2004
Posts: 18

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:20 Post subject: quote

What about all the other kings of Ethiopia before Selassie who had these titles?
Were they Christ too, and if not why not?
sallam

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:28 Post subject: quote

Yes Farruk,
The title of King of Kings And Lord Of Lords is Christ,
The Kingdom was as is a Christian Kingdom,
The throne is king Davids throne (spiritual)
The Body is Christ
The Glory is the lords

Talking Dog,

I appreciate very much your research into the baptism of Bob marley, I agree it most probly was as recorded very difficult for him to proceed with, but it was confirmation of who he was, hence his baptismal name of Berhane Selassie, meaning the light of the Holy Trinity.

The scripture does say “it is fitting for us to for fill all righteousness”

I too was baptised by a branch of the Orthodox church, but at the time I was not require to deny my revelation knowledge of him, Merely to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savoir as is done.

My point here is that its quite possible that bob marley had to speak some words for his baptism, but there is still no actual record of him denying his faith in Haile Selassie 1st as is suggested by some.

But I have heard it said clearly on video by his mother that at no point did he waver in his faith and believe,
But was strong in faith and the power of his union in the lord, and too the lord.

Praise God.

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:37 Post subject: quote

Farruk,

Haile Selassie 1st is paticular

it is not just because of his name title and position as the head of the body of Christ which is enough for many Just for his name sake.

but it is also because of His testimony and the fulfillment of prophesy,

... How can Jesus not be Haile Selassie 1st

translated... How can the Savoir the word of God not be the three in one God, the power of the holy trinity.

But the word of God is God, and behold the word became Flesh,

Praise God,

Next Monday The Lord Permitting Bye.
Have a nice Weekend, in church of course.

Praise God and the Lamb.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:45 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> What you don't seem to understand and what no one or very few on this web site seem to understand is the difference between Haile Selassie and Tafari Mckonnen.

Well, as far as the british interview with Bob that I wrote of, Bob said that Haille Selassie and Tafari Makonnen were one in the same. You have not seen the interview? There is **No** scripture which back this theory. Only mis-interpreted,mis-guided theory.

Christ has only come once and that was on the cross!!! And His

second return has not yet passed!!!

> **Quote:**
>
> I have received Jesus Christ, His first and second coming in his new name,

If He has come the second time then where is your HOPE? What is your faith in?

Many Jewish people are waiting for the first coming of the Messiah and you and many rasta say the Messiah has come twice already??!!

Well, your way off based.

Read the book of Revelation and see what will occur when Christ returns to earth the second time. The things spoke of in Revelation have not even begun yet. Yes, there are birth pains now but He is still patient in coming!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Author	Message
gabre Joined: 16 Feb 2004 Posts: 48	Posted: 12 Mar 2004 18:54 Post subject: quote i realy can't answer you again tonight ive got to go now but quickly, If you can receieve it his mortality and immortality are one, Please expand upon your question about hope etc and ill reply later ps remember we prophesy in part but when the fulness has come we will see him for who/what he is... Love ...
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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 12 Mar 2004 19:16 Post subject: quote

What I mean is that - I took what you said as Christ has returned again already. Is this what you mean?

If this is what you mean then my question is what is your hope in? Do you not have hope that when Jesus returns to reclaim what is His (earth and His children) that He will destroy the wicked and we will worship/adore Him in His glory in the New Jeruselem.

If He came for the second time in the person Ras Tafari Makonnen then where is the Golden city? Where is the tree of life? Why are the wicked still prospering? etc.....

Maybe for me it would be good if you clarified your beliefs so I don't reason in circles.

JAH Bless in love and grace.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Teh drumma 4 Jah

Joined: 09 Mar 2004
Posts: 6
Location: So. Cal

Posted: 12 Mar 2004 22:45 Post subject: quote

Well, if Heillie Selassie, forgive me if I have mispelled. Was the true Christ the Bible speaks about, and if he had made his "second" coming, it isn't relevent that we'd all be alive still. In the Bible it states that all who serve the Lord, will be taken to heaven, in the rapture.

The only one who was taken to heaven was him. Rastafari, who urged his believers that he was not Christ.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Mar 2004 12:55 Post subject: quote

I am dread. Some call me the "dreadest" singer in the northern part of my country. I have dreads because JAH told me grow them. And no man or woman can tell me to disobey JAH.

No, I am not just not combing my hair to "be cool" or to "reach people" or whatever the reason might be for some to lock their head.

So I guess I can draw my contribution into this thread too.

It is a total absurdity to say that dreads have to be cut because of demonic entities crawling in because someone decided to throw the comb away.

A derivate from colonial mentality. "It's black so it must be wrong".

It's also a case of what I call "spiritual paranoia", a thing you frequently engage in charismatic/pentecostal circles.

It is not so that when you are saved by the Blood of Christ that you must do all kinds of thing and don't do all kinds of other things in order to stay free from demonic possession and all that. There are no Biblical foundations for such a theory.

But the fruit of such a theory is christians living under heavy load, in some kind of supersticiousness even.

So this whole story, told by the original poster, is absurd. It's even criminal to have such false doctrines pushed in the heads of a 15 year old. This "pastor" is a false teacher.

And when your mother agrees with the pastor, is it really so that under the motto of "honor parents" this false doctrine is implemented? I do not agree with that principal at all.

I do not know your particular situation, and I have scrolled through the postings and have not seen what I'm about to say adressed, but look at this:

Why did you nat up your head?

Did JAH tell you do grow dreads?

Then disregard everyone who want to keep you from that path.

And in the case that you "just like" dreads and want to "have them", this is then just a problem that many youngsters face when they grow up and do thing papa and mama don't like. But the mere fact that you write this problem you have right here, does indicate to me that that is not just the case in your particular situation.

So listen to JAH, disregard false paranoia teachings, think for yourself, show your mother that she also has to think for herself and not parrot the pastor.

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 15 Mar 2004 18:12 Post subject: quote

Gosh! Well-said Messian Dread,

A lot of these these arguments are based upon fear, as Joyce Meyer so excellently puts it fear is,
False Evidence Appearing Real,
F.E.A.R

And fear breads all kinds of demonic results,
True don't.

But perfect love casts out fear,

Perfect Love thinketh no evil, but the best towards people,
1Cor13: 7 Perfect Love
Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth

all things.

Saying this then, in reply to warriors question,
Finaly keeping these three things Faith, hope and charity..

My faith, what I believe in dictates my hope, so I hope for the things in which I believe and I give my life to the cause, which is Love/Charity...

I believe that he who was to come to forfill the scriptures has come, and now according to my faith I wait for the forfillment of those things in my life according to the promise.

Indeed if in deed the same Jesus has return, then in deed he has, but if I look for him searching according to signs then I will not see him, because the revelation is according to the revelation view and not of the world.

Every nation shall in deed see him as they have, but seeing him never meant that they would believe, the scripture says that the angels are sent out to minister unto those who will receive salvation,

If it is possible to see the word of God, Haile Selassie 1st as the word of God and not a defile ment of our thoughts but as a pure word, revelation would begin to unfold, you have hit the nail on the head by asking me of my hope and in what I believe, for I am justified by my faith.

I lift the name of Jesus up high declaring him in the glory of his father, the coronation of Haile Selassie 1st marks the beginning of a new age, and the covenant is with his people. Who glory him in the new city, a new and glorious church without spot or blemish in his new and glorious name.

As for the rapture, indeed we are caught up to the glory of God, through Christ Jesus in the name of Haile Selassie1st.
We praise God and the Lamb, in the name of Haile Selassie 1st.

The revelation of Jesus Christ
The Second Coming of the Seed of David in power, (All Authority)

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 10:16 Post subject: quote

To all you folks who believe that Haile Selassie was the second coming of Jesus Christ.

You know nothing about Bible prophecy!...Christ did not say "When you get a chance..check out the parable of the fig tree".....NO!!....He said "LEARN IT!!"

You guys talk so much about Haile Selassie sitting on David's throne....All this talk about lineage of King David.

And you guys do not even understand the KEY OF DAVID!!

If you did then you would know that Haile Selassie is NOT Christ!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 10:21 Post subject: quote

TROLL ALERT!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 10:24 Post subject: quote

Yeah...YOU!!

I have been gone for weeks...Away from this forum....Away from the computer.

I come back and make one comment....

.....And you see how quick Messian Dread is to call names and start up his labeling system against me.

You are a nonforgiving person MD....You like to hold grudges.

Give it a rest....That is not very christian like.....Face it dude!.....You are a grudge holding non forgiving person.

I hope this shows you guys the true MD...As grudge holding and nonforgiving.

WHY MD?.....Why you gotta start with your stupid little name calling?.....You really think I am a troll?

As a matter of fact don't even answer that question.....I know why you do it!!

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 17 Mar 2004 11:49 Post subject: quote Man-Who-Names-Himself-After-Burning-Crosses-And-Interogations: One Time. This thread is about DREADLOCKS, and not a platform for you to diss Rastafari or continue on your personal crusades against everyone who does not bow down to your twisted sick mentality. You must hold your mouth shut when you do not know what you talk about. And you do not know where you talk about. DO NOT DISS THE DREADS. DO NOT DISS HAILE SELASSIE. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 14:55 Post subject: quote

Lets face it Folks Cross Fyah is right ,

the later is not the correct grammatical term
Haile Selassie 1st is not Jesus Christ,

But ..
Jesus Christ is Haile Selassie 1st (Almighty GOD)

Jah! Ras Tafari!!!!
Haile Selassie I

concerning the fig tree, cross fyah, share the undertanding of the fig tree then in context,

i am declareing to you,
Haile Selassie 1st is the almighty God, in heaven and in the earth,
Haile Selassie 1st is the Head of the Body of Christ,
have you read ,

He alone has immortality according to 1st timothy,

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 18:37 Post subject: quote

gabre,
Why say " Haile Selassie " ???

Can't we say **POWER OF THE TRINITY!!!!!**

WHY SO MUCH EMPHASIS ON THIS Haile Selassie NAME?

Scriptures say Jesus Christ **IS THE NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES.**

> **Quote:**
>
> Jah! Ras Tafari!!!!
> Haile Selassie I

JAH = LORD right? Psalm 68:4

Ras Tafari is birth name to Ethiopian ruler.

So you are saying that Ras Tafari Makonnen is your Lord??

Messian, you see that this thread has turned slightly a different way.

Dreads are good and so is long straight hair and so is short hair and so is curly colored hair. SEEN?

Dreads do not make anyone more spiritual.

> **Quote:**
>
> So this whole story, told by the original poster, is absurd. It's even criminal to have such false doctrines pushed in the heads of a 15 year old. This "pastor" is a false teacher.
>
> And when your mother agrees with the pastor, is it really so that under the motto of "honor parents" this false doctrine is implemented? I do not agree with that principal at all..

MD, yes it is absurd! And this pastor needs much more overstanding of what he is speaking.However the original post was referring to his mother wanting him to cut them because she felt it was apart of Rasta/Bob Marley not just because pastor said so.

Do you not see what is being done in the name of Rasta??!! I see it all the time. Babylon using the name of Rasta to enslave youths minds and souls.

It is the same with Christianity!! You have said yourself many times. NOW DO WE SAY CHRISTIANITY IS BAD. No, but there is much heresies and such. This youth must look to GOD and GOD'S word then talk with his parents. This is what I said in my original post.

Hear me out!!!! Now- many, many people see Rasta as pot smoking, rebellious, angry militia against all white people. Only out to promote false doctrine. Now with this in mind - there are many who see anything labeled "Rasta" as bad. Do you see what I

am saying? As a parent it should be up to the parent to research their childs interests and not just take a pastors (or anyones) advice. However, if the parent finds that the reason for this childs dreads are contrary to the Christian home they live in then it is the parents decision. This youth can grow dreads and anything else when he is no longer in the care of his birth parents.

Come on!!! So are you saying this youthman should disobey his parents because of the freedom he has in Christ? Paul says in Galatians not to use the freedom in Christ Jesus to sin. So are we to ignore all of JAH precepts and decrees and say "OH we are free" NO, we still are to find JOY in GOD'S precepts. The Psalms are full of this.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 18:48 Post subject: quote

I say Jah Rastafari too, but I mean Jah is the Head Of Creation. Rastafari is also not Haile Selassie. Head of Creation is the Power of the Trinity.....

anyway.....

> **Quote:**
> Dreads are good and so is long straight hair and so is short hair and so is curly colored hair. SEEN?

No.

> **Quote:**
> Dreads do not make anyone more spiritual

Disagreed.

> **Quote:**

> Do you not see what is being done in the name of Rasta??!! I see it all the time. Babylon using the name of Rasta to enslave youths minds and souls.

Please explain contextual reason for this sentence?

Quote:

> So are you saying this youthman should disobey his parents because of the freedom he has in Christ?

No. I am saying that when JAH told him to grow dreads he should obey JAH.

And the fact that JAH tells people to wear dreads makes these dreads spiritual.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 21:09 Post subject: quote

OOOPPSS! He did say that his mom agreed with pastor. My bad.

MD,

Quote:

> Quote:
> Dreads are good and so is long straight hair and so is short hair and so is curly colored hair. SEEN?
>
> No.

I was long hair and my wife was dread and when Christ came to us and took hold of our lives HE told me to cut my long hair and she no longer wore her dreads. **SO DOES THIS MEAN THAT MY SHORT HAIR IS SPIRITUAL?** It means I am obedient to JAH! But by your definition of spiritual- then my short hair IS spiritual.

You would be contrary to your posts if you say ONLY dreads are spiritual!!! I cut my hair for one reason alone. Because JAH told me to. I wasn't persuaded by people or "church" like you might assume. It seems you are sometimes not seeing what JAH does in/with people with short hair, long straight hair etc.....

Quote:

> Quote:
> Do you not see what is being done in the name of Rasta??!! I see it all the time. Babylon using the name of Rasta to enslave youths minds and souls.
>
> Please explain contextual reason for this sentence?

It is the same thing you may see with Christianity. Using the name to do evil.

Babylon stores selling more merchandise then ever..... Rasta shirt, Rasta pants, banners, red,gold,green lava lamps, on and on....

And it can be said the same of Christian goods. Pictures of Jesus, shirts with clever slogans on and on...

I am not saying wearing red,gold and green shirt is bad. I am saying that when people say they are against a system which supports idolatry and witchcraft and still buy merchandise from a place where they also sell pagan dragon sculptures and black light posters of Led Zepplin it makes me wonder who these "people" are really supporting or following.

This is just one example. I think you know my point.

I see all over many people who have red,gold,green clothes listen to reggae and say they are Rasta. Yet, when confronted (and I know this personally) they say I am Rasta because I burn herb against babylon and listen to reggae music!! Is this what Rasta is to you Messian?????

When I say doing evil I talk about supporting the very system "they" are saying that "they" are against.

They buy babylon clothes and CD's and drive babylon's stinky cars (bought on credit) and except babylons money from welfare etc..... Yet they say they are against the very system they are being and supporting.

Is being Rasta anti-people? Is it Rasta to say that anyone not Rasta is of babylon? Is Rasta about wearing $50 hemp shirt and $100 hemp pants.

From reasonings with you and talking with many "True Rasta" it seems there is a relationship in being Rasta-Christian. RIGHT?

Where is the spiritual relationship in these youths who say "I am Rasta" and yet do not make mention of their creator and yet they make mention all the time about THE CREATION!!! What spirit is in these youths?

1 JOHN tells us what spirit is in these (false Rasta/Christian) people.

When I say they are enslaved by babylon it is true. These youths are far from knowing the truth and their lifestyle show this.

And CHRIST is calling them to Him through true belivers like you and I and others. Still these youths are blinded by bright lights and "cool" hair and fancy clothes.

We are not spiritual because of Christian T-shirt or dreads. We are spiritual because the FATHER sees us only in CHRISTS' righteousness because we confesssed Him as LORD and follow His commands.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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The Messenjah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
Location: Babylon, North Carolina

Posted: 17 Mar 2004 21:22 Post subject: quote

> **warrior wrote:**
>
> shirts with clever slogans

I find that they usually aren't that clever. =\

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 18 Mar 2004 08:02 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread-Why do you choose to play the fool?...I have told you guys before that the name "Cross Fiyah" has NOTHING to do with burning crosses...kkk...Or anything like that.

Since you seem to have such a problem with this...Let me explain once agian.

The name has to do with the POWER of the cross!....It has to do with that consuming fire that IS Christ!

In my line of work...I use a cross fire every day....A cross fire is basically like a big blow torch used for bending glass tubes.

See picture
http://www.daconeon.com/page6.html

It figures that you would still be trying to use it to say I am

racist...That is the kind of person you are....You just love to put people in your own little category don't you?

You do not understand the POWER of the cross!!

So what's up MD??....Why you saying that my "Handle" is racist?

It is probably because you are trying so hard to hard to cover up your own racism that you go around pointing the finger at everyone who disagrees with you.

Who is the accuser of the brethren?....Satan is!!.....A little knowledge goes a LOOOOOOONG way!!.....And I thank God for that!!

People don't need your little label system!...People don't need MD's stamp of approval....You stand in the way of the door with your adolescent name calling...And by your wanting to stamp everyones hand!!

The parable of the fig tree is very easy to understand...I would/could share it with you...But your tone almost seems as if a mocking one.

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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will

Posted: 18 Mar 2004 12:41 Post subject: quote

Wait, wait. Whose the rastas??? I can see clearly warrior isn't, but the rest of you are confusing. Messian Dread, you rasta? Suspect

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Author	Message
gabre Joined: 16 Feb 2004 Posts: 48	Posted: 18 Mar 2004 16:20 Post subject: quote I ve ammended my previous reply, Shouldn't we start a new thread, concerning who believes in Haile Selassie 1st name. Reading some of the other threads, its not possible to say that what people have known of rasta is Not! but the movenent is known for its lack of being homogeneousness. Just as an example, if you ask so many different rastas what it is to be rasta you are likely to recieve so many different answers. When i speak then i am talking on behalf of a collective, though i am not the head we have all in common, Further we believe that by the Grace and favour of the most high, all Bredrin who believe in the name of Haile Selassie 1st will receieve, our faith, being of one mind in spirit and truth. What a world it will be when we see rastafari comming in the glory and unity of the father in the name of HaileSelassie 1st The revealing of Jesus Christ His New Name, The Glory, God His Father.

Bredrin/

Sistren

Don't miss over my words here,

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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will

Posted: 18 Mar 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

I don't know much about this guy, Selassie, so can you enlighten me? Is he still alive? Did he do miricals? Heal AIDS for example? Heal the crippled? If he can't even do that, then he's not even the anti-christ because the antichrist will heal also. It's deception i believe. If you got WS&P by christafari you can hear a interview where he says he's not christ.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 18 Mar 2004 17:59 Post subject: quote

CW, this "guy" you speak about is not a "guy"

Have some respect.

http://www.dubroom.org/rastafari

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One Love,

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gabre

Joined: 16 Feb 2004
Posts: 48

Posted: 19 Mar 2004 16:02 Post subject: quote

How is it that a one can be in a forum discussing rastafari/rasta and not know of the man Haile Selassie 1st.

I am sure it is because of lack of knowledge of the subject matter why my words have been met with such hostility,

can any one believe our report ?

I stress that for most people the comming of the Son of man in the glory of his Father is at hand and that he comes with tens and thousands of his saints,
To establish his kingdom and bring restitution to the earth, many have not yet grasped that it is not an overnight afair but according to scripture will last at least a thousand years.

And the word rapture used on its own is misleading, but the replenishment of the earth, its renewal will be and is the new heaven and earth.

"the earth abideth for ever"

and ill just like to say ,
From a christian perspective don't a one wish for christ return, and if so when you hear of it why scorn,

for it is a wicked and adulterous generation that seeks after a sign, but we believe upon his word, not making sense to senses.

Without faith who can please God, at his comming will you not need faith anymore?
just asking

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Mar 2004 18:51 Post subject: quote

gabre,

Quote:

> To establish his kingdom and bring restitution to the earth, many have not yet grasped that it is not an overnight afair but according to scripture will last at least a thousand years.

AAAHHHH so are you saying we are living during this time.....

Revelation 20:2
He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a **THOUSAND** years.
Revelation 20:3
He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the **THOUSAND** years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.
Revelation 20:4
I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a **THOUSAND** years.

Are you saying that Revelation is "symbolic" of what is and is to come? Do you not know that JAH word is literal?

Quote:

> for it is a wicked and adulterous generation that seeks after a sign, but we believe upon his word, not making sense to senses.

Even the "elect" will be led astray. Do you not know that the NEW HEAVEN and NEW EARTH is real. Not figurative. The old heaven and earth will pass away but GOD'S word will stand. These things around us will burn up in a HOT/BLISTERING heat!!!!The things you speak of seem to be earthly and what you can see. You talk of signs and yet still speak of what is here and now. Do you not know that we must keep our minds/thoughts heavenward? Not what is here

on earth!!!

gabre, please remember-----
2Peter 1:20 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. 21For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man,

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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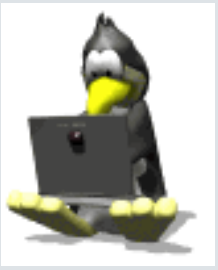
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Mar 2004 19:20 Post subject: | quote

> **gabre wrote:**
> How is it that a one can be in a forum discussing rastafari/rasta and not know of the man Haile Selassie 1st.

"brainwash education to make some the fool..."
Wouldn't you say?

Some think "rasta" is another word for "heathen".

When some hear "rastafari" they think it is the name for an idol.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Mar 2004 21:05 Post subject: | quote

Messian,
Yes, Bob Marley has very good lyrics which are true. Yet brain washing and the way people decide to live their lives are two different things. Many say they are "Christian" yet are not and the same is said for rasta.

Many say they are rasta and yet hate and kill. What are we to think of this????? It is lack of research/knowledge of ALL people which make them ignorant. Messian you have to know what I mean!!!! You talk about the fruit (or lack of) of George Bush being a christian and yet it seems you "back up" and defend ALL rasta regardless of the fruit (or lack of) they produce.

I see alot of DOUBLE MINDEDNESS in your reasonings!

What is worse ---- double mind or brain wash? (SARCASM)

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Posted: 19 Mar 2004 23:24 Post subject: quote

And why do you think that some post here and no know the name Haile Selassie I?

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 19 Mar 2004 23:42 Post subject: quote Messian, I would agree most definately. But, just because someone is not "with knowledge" of something doesn't mean they cannot question motive of beliefs or even the beliefs themselves. Maybe this youth will be "enlightened" by your website or by your reasonings. My question is still posed. If someone declares "I am Rasta" do we consider them Rasta no matter what their lives reflect or how they live their lives? If the answer is yes, then the same must be said for someone who says "I am Christian". There is more to being Rasta/Christian then just saying "I am ....." Only the Father says - **I AM** _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
Posts: 164
Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will

Posted: 20 Mar 2004 01:17 Post subject: quote

I do not know much about rastafarians belief. But doesn't that make speaking on this topic a violation??? I just simiply pointed out did he do miricals and i get <"this "guy" you speak about is not a "guy" have some respect">

On that statement i have 2 replies: 1) the "guy" is a "guy" unless he is a woman in disguis and 2) Why have respect for someone exaulted as most high??? Thats like exaulting Allah.

When jesus comes back, he'll come as he went. As far as i know this "guy" didn't come down to earth from the sky. (christ_fiyah: please don't go on agruing this because it clearly say the 500 saints where looking UP into heaven when he left)

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 Mar 2004 02:03 Post subject: quote

Warrior, some really make a fool of themselves. They are only confirming what many feel concerning "christafarians". Too many have the impression that it's more "disstafari", seen? I do not know if many realize this, I don't think so. But I do know how many of my Rastafarian Idren think about it. And i know that this impression is given to them also by "christafarians" or fans of christafari.

There's many who come to know Reggae because of Christafari. Christafari operates mainly in the Christian Contemporary Music scene. A lot of people who buy CCM are people who buy stricktly CCM. So Christafari is for them the major source that attrackts them to Reggae Music. Gradually they learn a little bit about Rasta, but again, their source of information comes from within, from within the Christian world. And when you check the avarage description of Rastafari in the Christian World, this will not make you very happy. It's poor on info and research, rich in prejudice and babylonparroting: a recipe for "brainwash education to make them the fool".

And no, simply saying "I am Rasta" or "I am Christian" or "I play Reggae" doesn't neccesarily make you so. And? Who says otherwise? I can't see the contextual relevance for your statements.

When JAH tells YOU that YOU are DREAD then YOU are DREAD from CREATION and then YOU can SAY: "I AM DREAD" and babylon will feel it because Jah Jah reveal it.

CW, I'm awaiting your reply in the discussion on the door, which you know much more off then about Rastafari. While it is true that some believe HIM to be the Incarnated JAH, I know that also people thought this about PAULUS and that's not a reason to diss Paulus.

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When you say Paulus i'm assuming you mean paul in the bible. I don't see anybody calling Paul, Jesus incarnated. The closest maybe is when he and barabas where exaulted as gods, in which Paul said get it stright, we are not gods. Oh and i replied to the "discussion" on my fellowship. But wait, you probaly already know that. Trying to ruin my fellowship's name is quote "one of the things I do". And no that is not out of context. Search for reports and peoples testamonies against my "church" is trying to ruin my "church's" name (as in how it looks to non believers).

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Mar 2004 01:44 Post subject: quote

HIM means His Imperial Majesty and refers to the Emperor Haile Selassie. Not to Paulus.

And yes I was refering to the event where people thought Paulus was god and he said no I am not.

The same with His Imperial Majesty.

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christ-warrior
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Posted: 21 Mar 2004 22:03 Post subject: quote

So then why do people still think he is when he say he isn't?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Mar 2004 11:49 Post subject: quote

Because the "Yesus" that is painted in front of their eyes by western "churches" and "missionairies" is on the side of the babylonian workers of iniquity.

Besides, there are many Rastafarians who do not believe Selassie to be JAH. The head of the biggest Rastafarian Organization is saying this, for example.

The descriptions of Rastafari as written in most christian publications, including the one here on lionofzion, are not accurate either.

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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 22 Mar 2004 13:05 Post subject: quote Where are the descriptions of Rastafari that Lion of Zion puts out?
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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 22 Mar 2004 16:35 Post subject: quote That's easy..... Here's a few..... **Quote:** Rastafari is a belief that Jesus Christ has already returned to the earth bearing a new name, as Emperor Haile Selassie I of Ethiopia, King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari. Rastafarians believe that he is God, the Savior and Judge of the world. http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da33310400009b0066/Rasta's+beliefs+&+Marijuana+as+a+Holy+Sacrament.html **Quote:** Question: "What is the difference between Rastafari and Christafari"? We do not worship Haile Selassie, but pray to whom he prayed, Jesus Christ. We do not believe that the second coming of Christ has taken place yet, but are preparing for it daily. http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da3334060000970065/Difference+Between+Rastafari+and+Christafari.html

Quote:

> **Quote:**
>
> > A "Rastafarian" is a follower of "Rastafari" and an adherent to the beliefs of "Rastafarianism" (i.e., a believer in the deity or veneration of Haile Selassie, repatriation, Ethiopia as Zion and the sacramental use of marijuana).
>
> **Quote:**
>
> > If you look like a Rasta, walk like a Rasta, talk like a Rasta, and call yourself a Rasta, then guess what? You ARE a Rasta.

http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da334e040000c90095/Should+Christians+call+themselves+"Rastas?".html

Quote:

> What is the best way to witness to **a Rasta or anyone else in a cult**? (emph. by md)

http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da3349010000ce0099/How+To+Witness+to+a+Rasta.html

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 22 Mar 2004 18:49 Post subject: quote

Whatr in accuracy are you seeing? Granted they are generalized statements. But they must be. Each Rasta is differant so they must sift out as much commonality as possible... So where is the error in these statements? The definition of the word Cult does fit places and parts with in the Rasta movement. Please show me how Bobo Shanty are not tight with this description...

cult
PRONUNCIATION: AUDIO: klt KEY
NOUN: 1a. A religion or religious sect generally considered to be extremist or false, with its followers often living in an unconventional manner under the guidance of an authoritarian, charismatic leader. b. The followers of such a religion or sect.
2. A system or community of religious worship and ritual.
3. The formal means of expressing religious reverence; religious ceremony and ritual.
4. A usually nonscientific method or regimen claimed by its originator to have exclusive or exceptional power in curing a particular disease.
5a. Obsessive, especially faddish, devotion to or veneration for a person, principle, or thing. b. The object of such devotion.
6. An exclusive group of persons sharing an esoteric, usually artistic or intellectual interest.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Mar 2004 20:02 Post subject:

quote

Quote:

> Granted they are generalized statements. But they must be

So I was told. I do not agree.

I have more things. Much more.

I disagree with more but let's leave it at this unless you are willing to accept critique that will question much essential things of loz/christafari.

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Teh drumma 4 Jah

Joined: 09 Mar 2004
Posts: 6
Location: So. Cal

Posted: 23 Mar 2004 01:02 Post subject:

quote

Sorry to interrupt the debate,but I have some news.

Apparently, my mother is going to let me grow my dreadlocks. The thing is, I want to have research ready , just in case my Pastor tries to confront me again

Note- I was speaking to my youth Pastor, about this, and his son was a dread. He was telling me, the same thing Messian was saying, if Jah, told me too do it, then do it. Reguardless of if I am Rasta or not. He said if its a personal thing, that I feel I have to do for whatever reasons, I should do it. But in my case, have some kind of research just in case, my pastor tries anything.

So, I've seen some good material bouncin' around in here, but from a Christian's point of view, what should I tell my Pastor if she confronts me?!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Mar 2004 01:25 Post subject: quote

That you are thankful for her advice. And that you will be in prayer about it and you are seeking God's will because it is Him that you are out to please.

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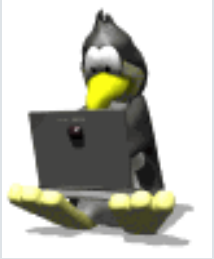
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Mar 2004 02:04 Post subject: quote

Drummer, I think this Itation could perhaps help you out or at least give you some food for thought.

http://messiandread.dubroom.org/itations0008.htm

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 827
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 23 Mar 2004 15:14 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

> **Quote:**
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> So I was told. I do not agree.
> I have more things. Much more.
>
> I disagree with more but let's leave it at this unless you are willing to accept critique that will question much essential things of loz/christafari.

Jetze,

I am interested in hearing what you have to say on essentials of Christafari/Lion Of Zion. Reading Mark Mohr's explanations carefully, I feel that he doesn't paint everything with the same brush, but helps to break down the

stereotypes. For example, he clearly says that not all Rastas worship HIM Hailee Selassie as JAH. Some do site Yeshua as Lord and Saviour and the One worthy of worship. As I stated in earlier discussions, I believe if someone comes and says "I am Rasta", they need to define that statement as it can mean many different things- which you and others have helped me to see over time. I think Bill's comments are good as there are many different scenarios one may encounter in reasoning with Rastas but you need to have some reference point to understand where they are "basically" coming from and then you can discuss things more intelligently.

So, if you don't mind I'd like to know what your comments or criticisms of Christafari / Lion Of Zion are. What caught my eye was your use of the words "much essential things"- because that leads me to believe your differences of opinion go further than simply a style or methods of accomplishing things. Any organization or ministry which is based on and rooted in truth can stand criticism and none of us is above being asked or inspected to see what's really happening.

higher heights in Christ Jesus...Everytime,

Mike

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Posted: 23 Mar 2004 18:44 Post subject: quote

Messian

Quote:

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Messian

Quote:

> Quote:
> Granted they are generalized statements. But they must be
>
> So I was told. I do not agree.
> I have more things. Much more.

Messian- don't you see that you are being contrary? First you write that there are many Rasta's that believe differently than other Rasta's and then you disagree that there should be a generalization for that exact reason.

You write of westernization brain wash mentality and how Rasta see this as their beliefs being generalized; yet you are generalizing just the same!

Your reasonings are becoming more opinion instead of fact on this subject.

You did not respond to my post completely----- Is not my short hair spiritual since it is JAH who told me to cut it??? Or are you saying **ONLY** dreads are spiritual??? Anything which JAH tells you/I is spiritual, right???

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 23 Mar 2004 18:55 Post subject: quote Messian, Your generalization of listeners of Christafari is way off also. Most who I know that listen to Christafari are very knowledgable of/about Rastafari. I was a person who listened to Lee Perry, Joseph Hill, Winston Rodney, you name it I listened and owned WAY , WAY before I ever heard of Christafari. Yet I know now that the many messages that Peter Tosh, etc....wrote and performed were not glorifying our Messiah. Where as Christafari and their music revolves around salvation and truth. Not militant opinion because of opression which will only end when this earth is reclaimed by CHRIST. Now, I am not saying we should not fight for/against such things. But we must allow JAH through HIS SON to accomplish these things through us and not let the flesh lead our lives like many performers have and do let happen. Is ALL reggae a ministry?????? I know that the reggae Christafari plays **IS**! _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 05:38 Post subject: quote

I am not willing to go into all of this. Not here not now.

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christ-warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 06 Feb 2004
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Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 11:57 Post subject: quote

Why, you seem open to critize my church? (BTW, i havn't finnished my post yet. I'm working on in notepad.)

> **Quote:**
> ...question much essential things of loz/christafari.

Go ahead, we're listening.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 17:16 Post subject: quote

It has been quite a while since I have posted on this sight. I have felt led to post today because of many reasons. One of which is this..... I myself have found some diffrences in opinions with messian dread, HOWEVER, I do believe that his motives are pure. In this instance I think he refrains his speech biblically, as not to cause strife among brethren. I site md as a brother in Christ and we should all remember that if we call ourselves Christians we should remember we are talking to our eternal family when speaking to one another. As Paulus said "exorting one another in love". Now, this brings up a subject that ties to a different thread. As a person who has no tendencies toward either one of you CW or MD, I must say that I see resentment on your side CW. MD is

very forthright in his speaking. I do not believe at all that he is directing any ill will toward you personally though. His purpose is to reveal what he sees as truth. I understand that you would feel offended by someone attcking your place of worship, but I DO see relevant points in his itations. PLEASE remember that the Holy Spirit sometimes DOES use others to bring to light his truth to us. Consider with an opened mind the words he speaks. I do not say to agree with all he says, but he has a gift given by God of a very strict berean sense. He also has many years above you and may have some wisdom to impart to us that could help our individual walks with Jah. Just a thought.

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Forum Veteran

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Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 24 Mar 2004 18:38 Post subject: quote

ZIONSLAVE,
I just wanted to add something.

What you say is true and right, yet I once wrote something simular as you and I was told that "I should not be on a forum if I can't stand the heated reasonings". We are posting here because we all enjoy debating.

If we hold to what Paul said about- 2 Tim 2:23 **Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels.** than I believe alot of people would not learn. This verse is talking more about discussions with those who are still lost in their lusts and evil ways and don't want to learn they just want to argue and fight.. Look at verse 22 Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

We are here (forum) to debate,sharpen and even disagree with each other without strife and backbiting etc.....

We must always proceed in LOVE and we should not post until we have thought and even prayed on what we are posting.

Some may say "PRAY!???" but we (as believers) should pray

before and during all writings/talks that we have.

Anyways I have said/wrote before that I have been blessed by the reasonings that I have had and been a part of with Messian Dread (Jetze) and he has shown me tings' that I have not been shown before and I give thanks for that.

And that goes for ALL who post on this site. It is amazing to know that there are many others all over the world using the NET to encourage and rebuke with ALL authority.

TROD ON

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 02:10 Post subject: quote

I'm not afraid to back out of any debate. Do not think I don't want to discuss it because I fear to "lose" any debate on where I think christafari is wrong. Do not think please I have no argumentation to answer Bill or anyone else. For any christafarian: just say so and I will start a thread "christafari on rastafari".

But not on this thread. This is about people who are told by socalled pastors to cut the dreads while it ***could* very well be** that someone here has to have the dreads by ordinance of JAH and has to know that JAH is to be obeyed above mother or socalled "pastor".

The mere fact that the mother is now no longer parroting the pastor should ring the alarm allready, since JAH might say something through that development.

Now for all those who have dreads to socalled "be like the heathen to reach the heathen", or "they are cool how can i lock my head", that has nothing to do with JAH wanting someone DREAD. When JAH makes someone dread, this is in creation, in the mother's womb. And what is in must come out. And yes some people are

BORN DREAD and so they should, when they are born again, BE what they ARE! Because only when you are born again through Kristos are you who JAH wants you to be.

I'm not saying that the drummer who started the thread is a dread from creation. JAH knows and he knows it too. But I have an idea that I should have written what I wrote and so I did.

JAH!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 04:24 Post subject: quote

Feel free to start that thread but understand that it is likely to make you look like you are quite judgmental concerning the efforts of these men and women.

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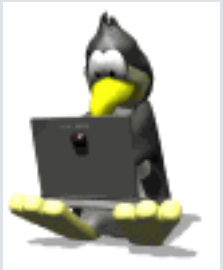
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Mar 2004 08:55 Post subject: quote

I don't care about an image "people" can have of me.

But what do you think about the topic?

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christ-warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 06 Feb 2004 Posts: 164 Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will	Posted: 25 Mar 2004 10:56 Post subject: quote I don't get why everything has to be dreadful. You say God says be dread when the bible say rejoice. Another thing is God doesn't look at the outward appearance of man: **Quote:** 1Sa 16:7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart. The Lord doesn't look at the outside of man, but the inside. So saying "Jah told me to wear dreads" is not infact Jah, but you mind. God doesn't worry about how you look or what style your hair is, but the inside of your heart. I find nothing wrong with wearing the hair in dreads. The look nice, but you don't need dreads to serve God, nor does he say to wear or not to wear dreads. And to think it is bad for man to wear dreads to outreach to rastas is wrong because Paul said in 1Cor 9:19-23 that how i was a Jew when reaching the Jews, and he was as a lawless person (not lawless, but under the law of Christ) to the lawless, and he was weak when preaching to the weak then he say i do it for the gospels sake so they might be saved. If that was true back

than, then why wouldn't it apply to us? This should be the only reason for having them, not "because i was told to" or "because there cool" or "because i'm under the nazarian vow". The nazarian vow was for people by birth a nazarian, not someone how is "born again as a nazarian". You might say John the Baptist was under it. But if you say that, your saying your a disiple of John not of Christ. Paul spoke of this when people started to say "i'm of Paul" and "i'm not Apollos". We aren't supose to be serving man, only Christ.

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 12:43 Post subject: quote

This is NOT about "jews to reach jews" and thing. Paulus never said "become a satanist with the satanists or a pagan with the pagans", he said become a POLE with the POLES. Now, most people who say they have dreads to "reach the rastas" or so clearly state how they feel Rastafari is a false religion and all that. How then, when they have in mind that Rastafari is (like satanism) a false religion, they have to become like the Rastas to reach them? Nobody every thinks a little further other then the very people they try to reach and will not reach because of these things.

This is NOT about hairstyle either. People wearing their hair for the looks go to the barber saloon to buy "let's dred" (yes that is how they call it, not even spelled correctly) and read on the Internet how to grow them and look even cooler. It's sickening. It has nothing to do with JAH DREADS.

Let's talk about being a Dread as created by JAH. You say it's not possible. I say it is. I witness it is.

I wear dreadlocks, not to "reach other dreads". I wear dreadlocks, not because they "look cool". I wear dreadlocks, because I am created by JAH as a dreadlock. It is my identity in Kristos.

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 15:55 Post subject: quote

Firstly: When the word rasta is used it is refering to people that believe Hallie Sellasie or however you spell his name, is God.

Secondly:

> **Quote:**
>
> I wear dreadlocks, because I am created by JAH as a dreadlock.

That doesn't make sense?? Your a dreadlock???

And if you mean created to wear them, you weren't born with dreadlocks therefor not created to wear them, but at some point you or you, mom, dad, or a friend locked them up for you.

I have nothing against dreads, but you saying other peoples motives are bad is wrong.

> **Quote:**
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> This is NOT about "jews to reach jews" and thing. Paulus never said "become a satanist with the satanists or a pagan with the pagans", he said become a POLE with the POLES.

No it about what the bible says:

> **Quote:**

> 1Co 9:19 ¶ For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.
> 20 And unto the Jews I became **as** a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, **as** under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;
> 21 To them that are without law, **as** without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.
> 22 To the weak became I **as** weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.
> 23 And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you.

It not you become one, but as one. It says 'as' not 'be'. It more of a appereance before them and how you act around them. Such example is that Paul made Timothy get circumcized so Tim (a greek) would be accepted among the jews:

Quote:

> Ac 16:3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.

Why is this important? Because unfortantly somepeople (just like the Jews back than) looked at the outward apperance of men.

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 17:35 Post subject: quote

Man, learn to read. Then think for a few minutes about what you read.

I AM SAYING THAT YOU CAN NOT BE A SATANIST FOR THE SATANISTS.

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 18:35 Post subject: quote

Well you can become as one of the satanists for the satanists, but nobody will ever hear of Christ that way because if you are a satanists, you'll never talk about Christ (atleast in any good way).

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In only one name.

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 19:19 Post subject: quote

Right. So Paulus did not say that. But still the ones who say "I wear the dreads because of 'all things to all men'" say it, where they also say that Rastafari is a "false religion". As far as they're concerned, Paulus did write "I became a satanist for the satanists".

So they have a problem. On one hand they have to give their dreads some biblical basis and on the other hand they have to be inline with the christian political correct craze of the day.

When they would really "be a Rasta to reach the Rastas" as they put it, they would then have to admit too that Rastafari is a culture and npot a religion. But they can not do that, for then it would not be impossible for a Rastafarian to be a Christian.

Is this the reason why there seems to be NOBODY AT ALL who sees that PAULUS does NOT refer to other religions but to other CULTURES?

Is this the reason why there seems to be nobody who thinks one inch further and meditates on the consequences of the fact that PAULUS DOES NOT say to BECOME A SATANIST WITH THE SATANISTS?

I think so.

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Jah Pickney
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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 20:26 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> But still the ones who say "I wear the dreads because of 'all things to all men'" say it, where they also say that Rastafari is a "false religion". As far as they're concerned, Paulus did write "I became a satanist for the satanists".

No, because wearing dreadlock's does not mean you are a Rasta. It is an outward association. Not doing anything against the word of God. Christ-Warrior hit it right on when he spoke about Timothy being Circumcised. People who wear dreadlocks as an outward association with Rastas are not becoming Rastas to win Rastas they are meeting them on some form of common ground. Meeting them in their comfort zone. It is the same thing as using patois and reggae music to reach Jamaicans and reggae fans. Associating with them and coming to them in their comfort zone so that for the sake of the gospel they may know the truth.

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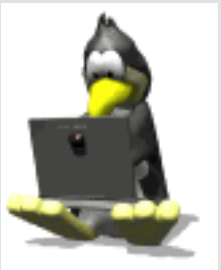

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 20:30 Post subject: quote

So then why are they using the scripture that says "become ... to reach ..."?

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Author	Message
Jah Pickney Moderator Joined: 16 Nov 2001 Posts: 791 Location: Canada	Posted: 25 Mar 2004 20:39 Post subject: quote Here is a modern translation of the scripture that I think explains it better. This is from the Living Bible. *When I am with the Jews I seem as one of them so that they will listen to the Gospel and I can win them to Christ. When I am with Gentiles who follow Jewish customs and ceremonies I don't ague even though I don't agree, because I want to help them. When with the heathen I agree with them as much as I can, except of course that I must always do what is right as a Christian. And so, by agreeing, I can win their confidence and help them too.* *1 Cor. 9:20-21* This is a better explanation of the ministry of those who wear drocklocks as a witness tool. _____ Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/
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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 25 Mar 2004 21:25 Post subject: quote

Thanks Jah Pickney for explaining.

And in the context of reaching satanist and using that scripture would be best used in wearing regular clothes (best black) so they fill confortable around you when your talking to them. They wouldn't be accepting you as good if you wore the white shirt/black pants/black tie combination compare to slacks and a simple black shirt. Doing that doesn't make you a satanist, it just makes them more easy to talk to. Do you think that when Paul and Tim were speaking to the Jews and Tim wasn't curicumsied, would the Jews have been more open or less? Maybe less maybe indefferent. But they might have asked (they knew he was greek from knowledge about his father) and it could have made a impact on their minstry for the bad. But getting circumsied didn't make him jewish. Neither wearing black shirts around satanist or dreads around rastas. When people start wearing symbols and icons or in agreement about sin and the such, they are not applying the scripture properly. A christain reaching a satanist shouldn't be wearing the upside-down star in the circle and such. Niether should a christain be wearing a marijana patch on their bookbags or shirts when reaching rastas.

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 00:16 Post subject: quote

The Living Bible is a new age translation. Have you ever compare Romans 13 with the original? In the "lieing bible" it says policeman where the original says DEACON.

Another NEW WORLD ORDER "translation".

I do not accept the Living Bible as the Word of God, sorry. Better get the KJV.

> **Quote:**
> And in the context of reaching satanist and using that scripture would be best used in wearing regular clothes (best black) so they fill confortable around you when your talking to them.

Satanists usually wear colour ties and suits.

http://www.xsorbit1.com/users/mdread/index.cgi?board=livinginababylon&action=display&num=1079451986

But come one, you can't be serious. You all seriously think that Paulus said "become a satanist with the satanists". And you think this is in the clothing. If this wouldn't be so serious, I would laugh for 30 minutes. Really.

No wonder people get confused when "pastors" tell them to cut their dreads. This "pastor" will convince the younger brother very easily how wrong it is to wear dreads. Because the reasons you give and the lines you draw on your absurd reasoning are so unbiblical, unlogical and ignorant that it's hard to take you serious.

Your "approach" shows only one thing: you don't realize anything at all about true Rasta or true Dreadlocks. No matter how many times you visit "Jamaica". You can't compare Rastas with satanists and you do. You think that a "rasta" is a reggaefan yuppie hippie ganja skank jam and you think a "satanist" is a metalfan or gothic or how do they call it these days. So you're making too many mistakes.

And somebody laughs very hard. And it's not me.

It's those people who tell me how they feel because they are treated in ways such as you propose. Do you really think that JAH wants you to be an imposter, a manipulator? No man. JAH says be humble and adjust yourself to other cultures. But he didn't say to be like a pagan. Or worse: a satanist.

By doing what you are describing, you are not only totally wrong in applieing certain scriptures, you are making a fool and a clown of yourself, and a mockery of the gospel.

I have seen this. You don't, probably. Do you think people are so stupid that they do not see right through that? Wait, maybe not. Maybe the ones "you" "reach" with this SCAM SCHEME are the ones who will follow the first guru they meet anyway. And then they will be taken good care off in the churchical system. They will be tauight how to listen to the preacher and "respect" the "ones placed above him" until he gets sick of that and leaves the Christian Faith as a desillusioned, bitter man.

It's a disgrace.

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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 13:30 Post subject: quote

Hey dude, get a attitude check. He (Jah Pickany) wasn't saying that the Living Bible was the best way to go, he was just using it to quote a easierly understood translation. That particular scripture was not changed in what it was saying, just something more easily understood. And so it a New world order "translation", so what. If it translates a scripture or word wrong, don't use it. You should always compare the bible with other just to make sure there is no changes to it. But, not using it because it's part of the NWO is messed up. Why? Because if you knew about King James, you would know that some historians believe that he was GAY (a HOMO)! So what, just because he might have been a homo, your going to ban the KJV of the bible?

Secondly, you obviously have a shallow knowledge about satanist. You ever thought that maybe their is more than one group of satanists? Could it be possible? And we aren't talking about the people that you have on your website. They (the ones you posted on your website) are wrong, but we are talking about the average Joe on the street that considers him self a satanist. Most of THOSE guys wear black and red. Those guy are not wearing ties and suits. Those guy are more confortable around tieless guys. Get it thru your head, just because you wear black around them doesn't mean your practicing their religon. If you are wearing their symbols, that is different. That is not right. But if you are wearing black, that doesn't make you wrong.

And a reminder: I wasn't the one that brought up satanists, you did. So keep your comments. I wasn't comparing satanists as rastas or visa versa.

And my reasons are biblical unlike yours. You have NO biblical standing why wearing dreads to outreach to rastas is wrong. Your just saying "your using it out of context!" while i clearly showed you how you can compare wearing dreads as the samething as paul making tim get circumised. They are both outward things that people look at. The jews looked at wether people were circumsied. Does a rasta looks at a person with short hair equally or lesser then when someone that has dreads also talks to them? That awnser would best be someone that is outreaching to rastas. Like Jah Pickany. Jah Pickany, do you think you would be equally accepted if you had short hair when talking to people that have dreads?

> **Quote:**
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> And somebody laughs very hard. And it's not me.

Yep, and it can be the very oposite person you think is laughing.

> **Quote:**
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> By doing what you are describing, you are not only totally wrong in applieing certain scriptures, you are making a fool and a clown of yourself, and a mockery of the gospel.

I'm not making a mockery of the gospel. I did not say "Go with the satanist and do their cerimonies". And perhaps Timothy was made a fool and clown of himself in front of the Jews. Maybe not. It is the same for us. We might be made a fool or we might be accepted. It depends on the other person.

> **Quote:**
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> And then they will be taken good care off in the churchical system. They will be tauight how to listen to the preacher and "respect" the "ones placed above him" until he gets sick of that and leaves the Christian Faith as a desillusioned, bitter man.

That statement just shows how rebelious you are. And how open you are to the word.

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Jah Pickney
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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 15:38 Post subject: | quote

> **Quote:**
>
> Jah Pickany, do you think you would be equally accepted if you had short hair when talking to people that have dreads?

I have seen first hand through my ministry, Mark Mohr's ministry and the minisities of some others that dreadlocks are a successful method in reaching most Rastas (an even non-Rasta Jamaicans). They get us respect that we wouldn't have otherwise. But it's not because they think we are Rastas. We are open from the start but the dreads give some kind of connection that causes them to trust and respect us. It's the same thing with any group that you are trying to witness to.

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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 15:39 Post subject: quote

christ-warrior wrote:

> Hey dude, get a attitude check.

Sure, "dude"..... Bwaay who tells me that "respect" upwards is what holds your system up....

Quote:

> He (Jah Pickany) wasn't saying that the Living Bible was the best way to go, he was just using it to quote a easierly understood translation.

Don't you think I don't know that? I have no need for an "easier understandable translation". And if I would I would not use a new age translation.

Quote:

> And so it a New world order "translation", so what.

BECAUSE IT IS THE ANTICHRIST SYSTEM!

Quote:

> If it translates a scripture or word wrong, don't use it. You should always compare the bible with other just to make sure there is no changes to it.

No. You should study the poriginal language manuscripts or texts.

Quote:

> But, not using it because it's part of the NWO is messed up.

Yeah, sure, you're the first to go and take the verichip implant too, right? So what if it's the NWO. It's NWO o it must be

Quote:

> Why? Because if you knew about King James, you would know that some historians believe that he was GAY (a HOMO)! So what, just because he might have been a homo, your going to ban the KJV of the bible?

Ofcourse I know what "hisatorians **believe**. So? They also believe that your father is a monkey. Anyway, James didn't do the translation. Others did. It's still the best translation YOU have in YOUR language.

Quote:

> Secondly, you obviously have a shallow knowledge about satanist. You ever thought that maybe their is more than one group of satanists? Could it be possible?

No. It's a pyramid system seen. On the "top" you have lucifer or satan. Then at the bottom you have all these (as they are called in jargon) 'usefull idiots'. The more you are initiated, the higher you go in the pyramid. Low-level minions are unaware of the top and who runs it. But not the other way around. It's one system. The idiots at the bottom, who run around in gothic and upside down crosses do so because they think that the ones who run this planet are "christian". They have no idea that the ones they are fighting, the leaders of nations, are also their leaders.

Quote:

> And we aren't talking about the people that you have on your website. They (the ones you posted on your website) are wrong, but we are talking about the average Joe on the street that considers him self a satanist.

I go ahead of you and quote you saying:

Quote:

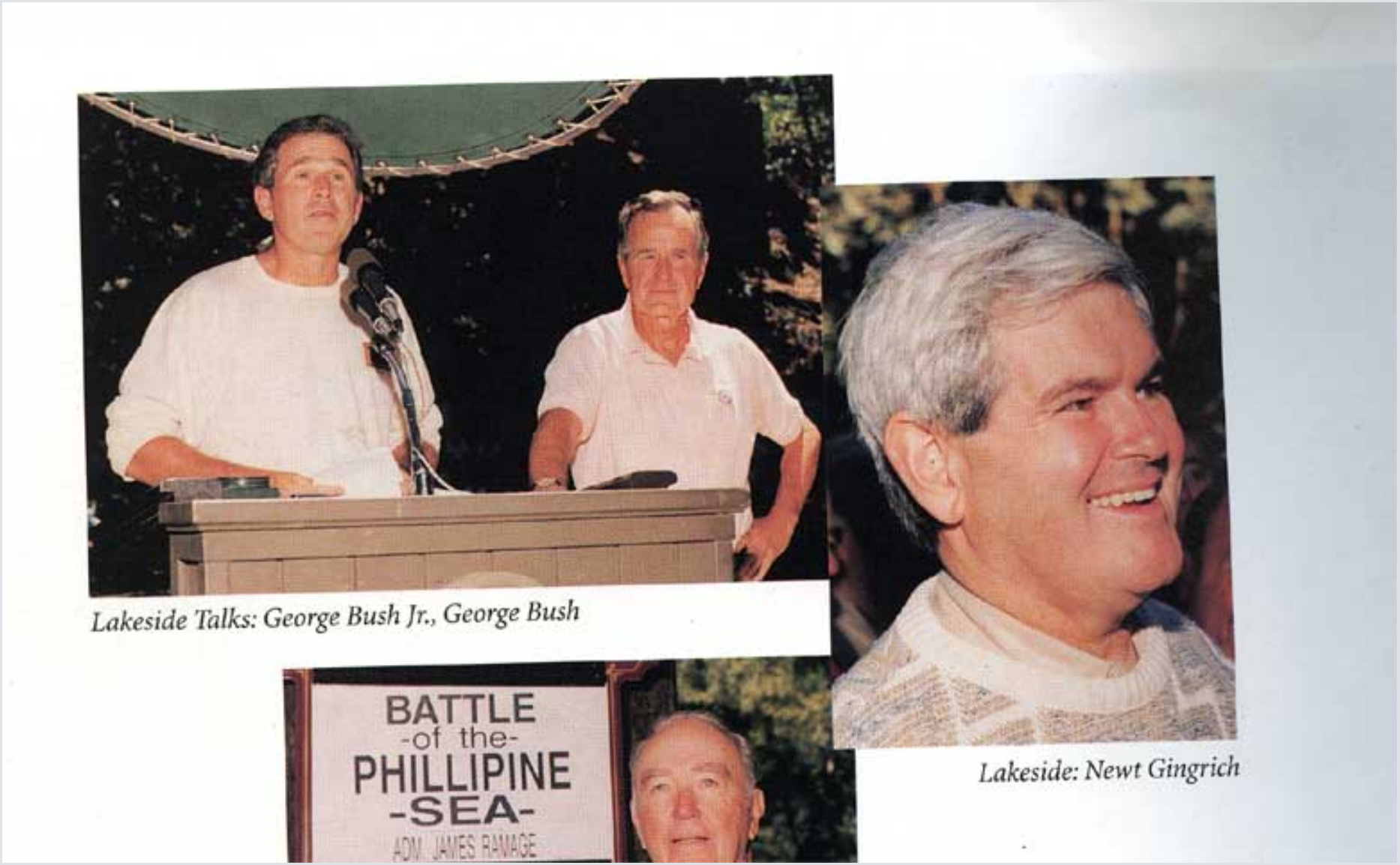
> And a reminder: I wasn't the one that brought up satanists, you did.

Yes. I brought them up so how come you are the one to decide it's about those idiots running around with paintings of skulls and bones on their t-shirts while they are on a demonstration against the skull and bones bush who is a mass murderer in the name of satan?

Quote:

> And we aren't talking about the people that you have on your website.

You did not check it. That's obvious. So here is from the book of Bohemian Club, which is a place of satan rituals, some of their members:



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Lakeside: Newt Gingrich

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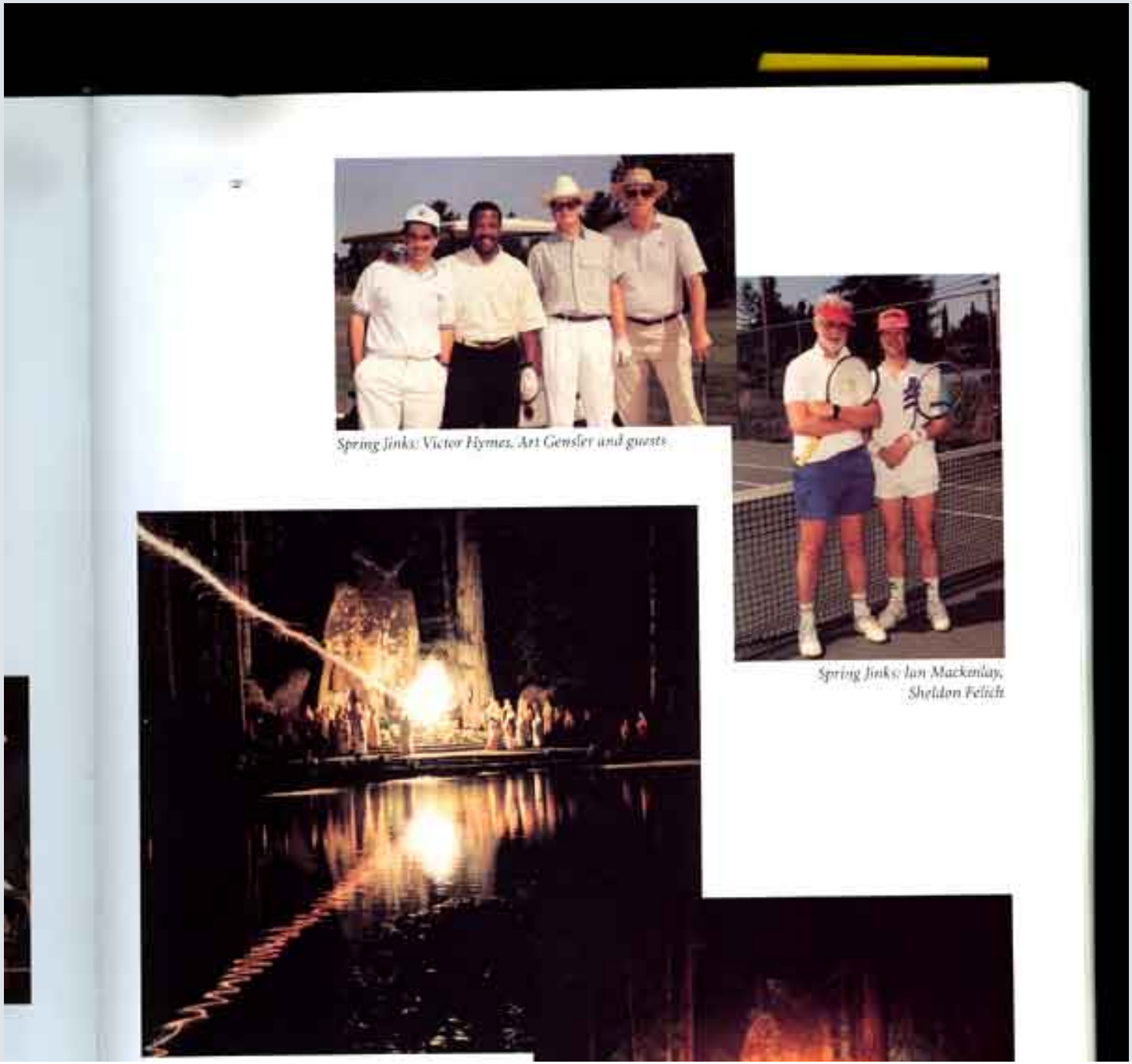
And this is their loving god:



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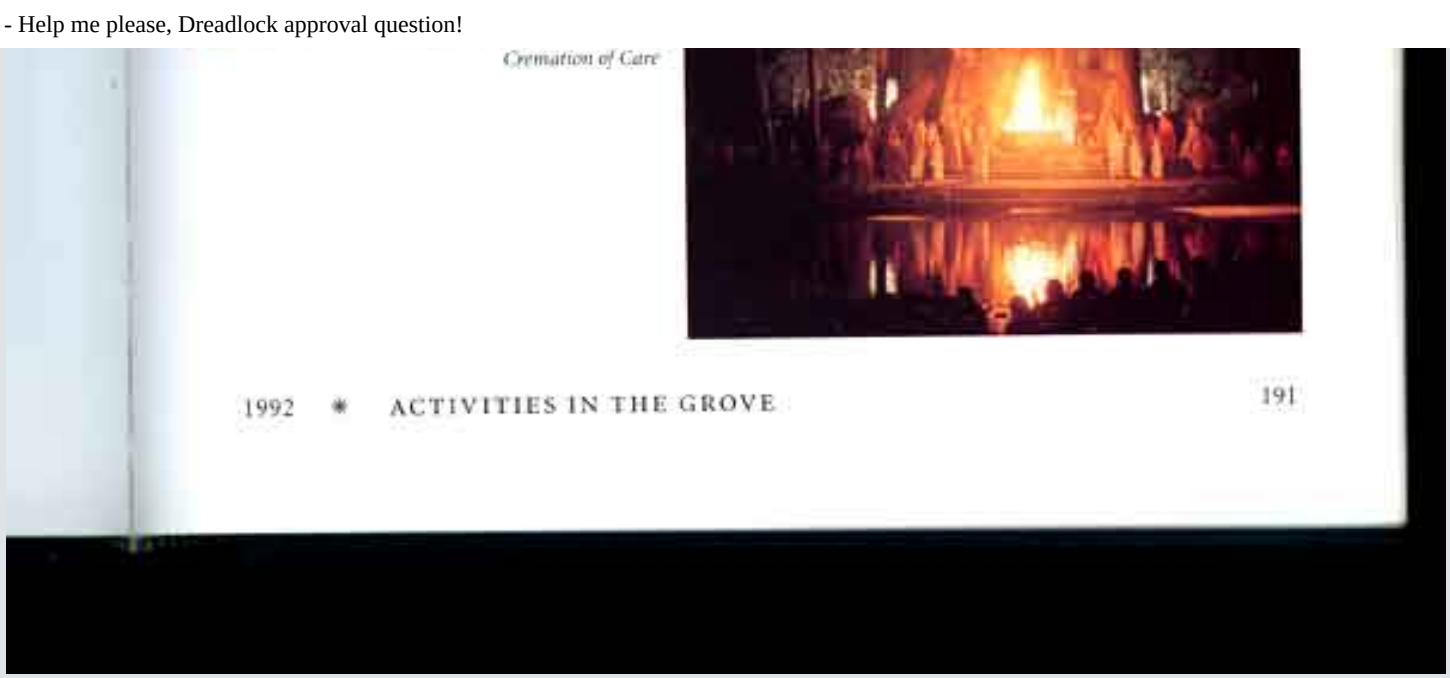

Quote:

> Get it thru your head, just because you wear black around them doesn't mean your practicing their religon. If you are wearing their symbols, that is different. That is not right. But if you are wearing black, that doesn't make you wrong.

That's a complete distraction what you are doing. You think you can apply the scriprute in Corinthians to "become a satanist with the satanists" andf I say it says no such thing. It's a distraction to speak about clothing and all that when speaking about satanism. Do you start to speak about burka's when you talk about Islam? I'm not even sure if you know the word! Ofcourse not. When you speak about a different religion, a worship to a different "god", you're not speaking about clothing.

Quote:

> And a reminder: I wasn't the one that brought up satanists, you did. So keep your comments. I wasn't comparing satanists as rastas or visa versa.

Yes you do for you are stating that Rastafari is a religion worshipping a different god then the God of the Bible. So I am stating that when you are in that particula thought, you can not apply theat corinthians scripture to "biblically justify" having uncombed hair on your head and call it "dreads to reach dreads". For in your mind set Rastas wear dreadlocks to worship a different god. You would be indeed like a satanist wearing a satanic symbol.

But nobody cares about a strict application of scripture. They use new age translations because then the brains do not have to work so hard, they think they are biblically correct where in fact they are only political correct, and many Christians see this and condemn it as "conformed to the world". And so it is! But these are wiped away as "conservatives" and "ludicrous".

It's very hard for me to see this every time again.

> **Quote:**
>
> And my reasons are biblical unlike yours. You have NO biblical standing why wearing dreads to outreach to rastas is wrong.

Oh yes I have. For one, the way you are doing it, really is manipulation and imposing. When you say you wear dreads to "reach" dreads, and I presume you speak about true dreads here not the barbersaloon yuppies, you are manipulating and you are an imposter. Why? Because you are not a dread yourself! I know that many, many, many Rastafarians see right through this and they only see it as a confirmation that this western christianity really is babylon.

For JAH is TRUTH. REALITY. NO LIES.

And when you pretend to be a dread but you are not a dread, just someone with uncombed hair looking at it just as a hairstyle, you are not in the truth and reality and honesty.

And JAH NEVER says go out and manipulate the world.

When you are a true dread, you know you ARE dread. You are dread because this is how JAH created you.

> **Quote:**
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> Your just saying "your using it out of context!" while i clearly showed you how you can compare wearing dreads as the samething as paul making tim get circumised. They are both outward things that people look at.

People looking at circumcised penises? What are you talking about?

Now, okay. Seriousness.
A true dread is not someone who does not speak to people who have combved hair. That is an absurdity and sign of ignorance. A dread stands between the ballheads and other people with uncombed hair. I don't care if you comb your hair or not. If you make sense I listen, if you don't make sense I don't listen.

I most definitely do not respect "dreads" who are no dreads.

> **Quote:**
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> The jews looked at wether people were circumsied. Does a rasta looks at a person with short hair equally or lesser then when someone that has dreads also talks to them? That awnser would best be someone that is outreaching to rastas. Like Jah Pickany. Jah Pickany, do you think you would be equally accepted if you had short hair when talking to people that have dreads?

I think I am one of the persons to ask such a question. I answered some of it in the above paragraph. As for Christafari, they do realize that they were on the wrong way because they have changed their "focus" from Rastas to "universalists" or "new agers". Besides, look at their (and JP's) concert agenda, you will see most of the performances are in some Christian event or Church. No problem with that, but you can hardly speak about people who are "reaching out to" outside-church people. This is also clear when you read why Christafari does not use the Name of JAH anymore in their new releases. Their influence in the Rastafarian Communities all over the world have not been that big, but instead their influence in the Christian World is.
Not every Rasta wears dreads, by the way. That alone should answer your question.
Study on. You'll see that most christians with lox do it to "look cool". If they give any spiritual meaning to their hair it's the aburd interpretation of the Corinthians Scripture. But it's only, in their own words also, "a biblical justification" of a hairstyle. And this justification is applied in situations as described by the original poster of this thread. Now then, do you honostly think that the guy's "pastor" would take that argument serious? No he wouldn't. He would crush it down and the guy who wrote the original post would be left totally confused.

> **Quote:**
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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 15:54 Post subject: quote

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Most of these events do bring in non-Christian people. They are outreach concerts. Other times it is for the support of the churches or other worthy ministries that I perform there. Also for their support for my ministry. Every missionary needs the backing from Christians. For prayer, financial, and moral support. My focus with my mnistry is not to entertain Christians. It is first and foremost a ministry to the lost - be they Rastafarians, ghetto youth, pagan, etc. Secondly it is to edify beleivers and encourage people to trust in the Lord.

Jah Pickney

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Posted: 26 Mar 2004 19:32 Post subject: quote

Thanks for the confirmation. Any comments about the other things?

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JAH SON Joined: 01 Nov 2003 Posts: 67 Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH	Posted: 26 Mar 2004 19:37 Post subject: quote yo md and others.. **check the thread on the angel of light** being lucifer (luz, get it). this is the bohemes' god. "light".
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christ-warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 06 Feb 2004 Posts: 164 Location: Warsaw, Poland-doing God's Will	Posted: 27 Mar 2004 13:42 Post subject: quote **Messian Dread wrote:** **Quote:** And so it a New world order "translation", so what. BECAUSE IT IS THE ANTICHRIST SYSTEM! Opps, I put the quotes around the wrong thing. I ment "New World Order" translation. What you don't understand is that just because it has errors doesn't make it a NWO bible/translation. KJV has errors too. Oh, and just to be clear: in my previous post, I wasn't trying to say that the nwo is ok. I agree that it is wrong. **Quote:**

Quote:

> If it translates a scripture or word wrong, don't use it. You should always compare the bible with other just to make sure there is no changes to it.

No. You should study the poriginal language manuscripts or texts.

Unfortuatly, most people don't have a concordance/dictionary for greek and hebrew around them.

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> Why? Because if you knew about King James, you would know that some historians believe that he was GAY (a HOMO)! So what, just because he might have been a homo, your going to ban the KJV of the bible?

Ofcourse I know what "hisatorians **believe**. So? They also believe that your father is a monkey. Anyway, James didn't do the translation. Others did. It's still the best translation YOU have in YOUR language.

Actually the historians are people like you that believe in the bible, but think every little thing makes it wrong. Those historians were christains not evolutionist. Yes, I know he didn't do the translation himself, he had a team of people he commanded to translate it. You can find the whole history in it's preface. And yes, I agree this is the best translation.

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> Secondly, you obviously have a shallow knowledge about satanist. You ever thought that maybe their is more than one group of satanists? Could it be possible?

No. It's a pyramid system seen. On the "top" you have lucifer or satan. Then at the bottom you have all these (as they are called in jargon) 'usefull idiots'. The more you are initiated, the higher you go in the pyramid. Low-level minions are unaware of the top and who runs it. But not the other way around. It's one system. The idiots at the bottom, who run around in gothic and upside down crosses do so because they think that the ones who run this planet are "christian". They have no idea that the ones they are fighting, the leaders of nations, are also their leaders.

Yes this is true. That is why we (as in christains) generally go for the "usefull idiots" because they don't really know what they are doing. The have a easier chance of geting saved then a leader.

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> And we aren't talking about the people that you have on your website.

You did not check it. That's obvious. So here is from the book of Bohemian Club, which is a place of satan rituals, some of their members:

Actually i did. That is obvious when i say what you quoted. How would i know that you had people/pics on your forum if i didn't go to it?

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> Get it thru your head, just because you wear black around them doesn't mean your practicing their religon. If you are wearing their symbols, that is different. That is not right. But if you are wearing black, that doesn't make you wrong.

That's a complete distraction what you are doing. You think you can apply the scriprute in Corinthians to "become a satanist with the satanists" andf I say it says no such thing. It's a distraction to speak about clothing and all that when speaking about satanism. Do you start to speak about burka's when you talk about Islam? I'm not even sure if you know the word! Ofcourse not. When you speak about a different religion, a worship to a different "god", you're not speaking about clothing.

You obviously didn't pay attention to the KJV of the scripture i posted. It didn't say "become a -------- with a --------". It said "unto the ------ I became as a ------". Not with, as. Clear. As doesn't make you something. Tim didn't become a Jew because he got circumsied.

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> And a reminder: I wasn't the one that brought up satanists, you did. So keep your comments. I wasn't comparing satanists as rastas or visa versa.

Yes you do for you are stating that Rastafari is a religion worshipping a different god then the God of the Bible. So I am stating that when you are in that particula thought, you can not apply theat corinthians scripture to "biblically justify" having uncombed hair on your head and call it "dreads to reach dreads". For in your mind set Rastas wear dreadlocks to worship a different god. You would be indeed like a satanist wearing a satanic symbol.

Stating that rasta's don't worship the same god as us doesn't compare you to satanist. I'm not saying "you see satanist do this and rasta do this, can you see the similarity?" That is comparing. I didn't do that. And it's not my "mind set" that rastas wear dreadlocks to worship a different god. I know this is not true and you confirmed this later on in your post that some don't have dreads.

Quote:

> But nobody cares about a strict application of scripture. They use new age translations because then the brains do not have to work so hard, they think they are biblically correct where in fact they are only political correct, and many Christians see this and condemn it as "conformed to the world". And so it is! But these are wiped away as "conservatives" and "ludicrous".

Obviously you don't even care about application of scripture. That is unless you can tell me how to use 1Cor 9:19-23 to reach non christains.

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> > And my reasons are biblical unlike yours. You have NO biblical standing why wearing dreads to outreach to rastas is wrong.
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> Oh yes I have. For one, the way you are doing it, really is manipulation and imposing. When you say you wear dreads to "reach" dreads, and I presume you speak about true dreads here not the barbersaloon yuppies, you are manipulating and you are an imposter. Why? Because you are not a dread yourself! I know that many, many, many Rastafarians see right through this and they only see it as a confirmation that this western christianity really is babylon.

And what Tim was a imposter and manipulator? Peter? Paul? ect.

Quote:

> When you are a true dread, you know you ARE dread. You are dread because this is how JAH created you.

I don't know if your refering to a pychodelic defention for just rastas, but the bible says to rejoice and to only fear god. Be happy.

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> > Your just saying "your using it out of context!" while i clearly showed you how you can compare wearing dreads as the samething as paul making tim get circumised. They are both outward things that people look at.
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> People looking at circumcised penises? What are you talking about?
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Hmm... you can laugh out loud as long as you want be i think Jews did:

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> Ge 17:10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.
> 11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.
> 12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.
> 13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.
> 14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.

If you read the 1 Cor 9 scripture, you would know it said that the Jews knew Timothy's dad was greek. Why would it mention that if

they didn't care about who was from where unless they cared if he was circumsised? Paul was not "right" in their eyes because he believe in christanity. The only difference between Paul and Tim was that he was by blood a gentile. And all gentiles back then didn't get circumsised. They knew that. And Paul knew that they knew. That why Timothy was circumsised. Paul knew that they would say something to the effect that "we can't accept Tim because according to the law he must be circumsised to be God's child" and if Tim wasn't circumsised, the Jew would have give no ear to what they had to say.

Now the question is WHY did Paul choose Tim and make him go thru the hassel and pain of getting circumsied instead of just using Peter or another jew that converted? Because he wan'ted to make the point to the Jews and people like you that the who and the from where and the outside apperance of man doesn't matter to God anymore. You can get circumsied or you can wear dreads and it's not going to make you closer or futher away from God. Jesus doesn't care about the outside of man. He's worried about the inside.

[quote]Now, okay. Seriousness.
A true dread is not someone who does not speak to people who have combved hair. That is an absurdity and sign of ignorance. A dread stands between the ballheads and other people with uncombed hair. I don't care if you comb your hair or not. If you make sense I listen, if you don't make sense I don't listen. [quote]

The problem with that is that the only people that "make sense", are the people saying your right and OK.

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> I most definitely do not respect "dreads" who are no dreads.

Oh you can say that, but that the same thing as me saying i don't respect rastas that think they are allright. Now of course, i'm wrong according to you, but the point is not that. The point is that that is what you are doing. Your judging people by their outside appearance.

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> I think I am one of the persons to ask such a question. I answered some of it in the above paragraph. As for Christafari, they do realize that they were on the wrong way because they have changed their "focus" from Rastas to "universalists" or "new agers". Besides, look at their (and JP's) concert agenda, you will see most of the performances are in some Christian event or Church. No problem with that, but you can hardly speak about people who are "reaching out to" outside-church people. This is also clear when you read why Christafari does not use the Name of JAH anymore in their new releases. Their influence in the Rastafarian Communities all over the world have not been that big, but instead their influence in the Christian World is.

Actually i purposly asked Jah Pickany, not you. Why? Because i know that you think that christains-that-think-rastas-are-wrong are wrong and "imposters" and "idiots", ect. You don't care what the response of others are. Your in your own little world of people who don't accept rastas are wrong. Period. The rest of your statement is a opinion. Oh and that last statement is so true. It seems as rastas don't care anymore about the truth. 10 years ago, it was safe to say that for the most part reggae was generally for rastas only. Now more and more non-rastas listen to reggae also so that could be the reason on not focusing on rastas as much as before.

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Just to let you know there is NO "biblical justification" for to wear dreadlocks. For christains and rastas alike. It doesn't say were are to be nazarites or the such. There is no scripture saying we should have dread. Infact it say the opposite. It says men are better of with short/no hair then with long hair. Of course I know it say later that there is no law or custom to inforce that men should have short/no hair. You might use a old testament reference but that just makes you a follower of the OT. You might use John the B as a reference but that just makes you a follower of John not christ. So don't give this "they are wrong" stuff, because you have no standing for your dreads either. Get it thru your head: God didn't make you wear dreads or wants you to. God doesn't care about the out ward apperance of man. That includes your hair.

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christains is simply that a rasta wont say he a christain because he has differences. The real fact is that a rasta don't want to be called christains because their aim is not to be christ-like as christain means. Christ didn't smoke pot or the equivalent, nor did he wear dreads. He might have had long hair but that doesn't make him dreaded. Christ didn't need any earthly substense to get to meditate or think about stuff.

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Then perhaps you know that the word pastor means shepherd. What is the POINT of a shepherd?

And if your so open to the word, then can you tell me why their was respect to the aposteles?

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Posted: 14 Apr 2004 01:22 Post subject: quote

i just started locking up my hair last week .my pastor is cool with it.soo i thank jah daily..well im new to these boards.soo yeah .its cool to be here.

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JAH SON Joined: 01 Nov 2003 Posts: 67 Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH	Posted: 21 Jan 2004 01:42 Post subject: HERB IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS quote WHY IS HEMP ILLEGAL? BECAUSE IT IS THE MOST LUCRATIVE CROP ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. CLOTH, OIL, FOOD, MEDICINE, CORDAGE, PAINT, SEALANT, INCENSE, INSULATION, SMOKE, AND A MILLION MORE USES FOR MAN. IT IS ONE OF YHWH'S GREATEST GIFTS TO MAN. WHY DO INI CALL IT "THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS"? MOST PLANT CROPS WORLDWIDE MUST BE "ROTATED"(MOVED TO NEW SOIL YEAR TO YEAR TO AVOID DEPLETING THE SOIL FROM CERTAIN ELEMENTS AND NUTRIENTS SUCH AS NITROGEN, ETC.) HEMP ON THE OTHER HAND REPLENISHES THE SOIL WITH THE NESSECARY NUTRIENTS TO COMPLETE THE BALANCE OF NATURE. THAT'S WHY HEMP GROWS EVERYWHERE. AFRICA, ASIA, EUROPE, AUSTRAILIA, NORTH/SOUTH AMERICA, ISLANDS, ETC. "HERB BEARING SEED WHICH IS ON ALL THE FACE OF THE EARTH...TO YOU IT SHALL BE FOR MEAT..."GENESIS CHAPTER 1 THINK ABOUT IT. STUDY THIS THING FOR YOURSELF. IS MEDICINE

"SORCERY"??IF SO NO MORE ADVIL, ROBITUSSIN, OR FLINSTONES VITAMINS!

NO NO NO. INI WILL TELL YOU WHAT SORCERY IS. READ 1TIMOTHY CHAPTER 4:"DOCTRINES OF DEVILS, FORBIDDING TO MARRY, COMMANDING TO ABSTAIN FROM MEATS WHICH HAVE BEEN CREATED BY THE CREATOR TO BE RECIEVED WITH THANKSGIVING"

THEIR CONSCIENCE HAS INDEED BEEN SEARED WITH A HOT IRON.

BEWARE JAH CHILDREN OF THE "WEED" YOU GET OUT HERE IN BABYLON!!!

ENOUGH OF IT IS REGULATED AND CHEMICALLY ALTERED TO MAKE YOU ADDICTED. I SPEAK FROM TRUTH WHICH IS EXPERIENCE. I'VE SEEN THEIR GOVERNMENT CHRONIC FIELDS. THEY ARE THE SWINE, THE GREEDY DOG THAT SHALL LOSE ITS BONE.

THE PROPAGANDA AGAINST HEMP WAS PART OF THEIR PLAN GENERATIONS AGO WHEN THEY REALIZED THE PROFIT POTENTIAL. FIGURE IT OUT. DO THE RESEARCH.

OH YEAH, THERE IS ANOTHER USE FOR HEMP. PAPER!!!
PLANT 1 ACRE OF WOOD TREES, AND WAIT 20 YEARS.
PLANT 1 ACRE HEMP AND HARVEST TWICE PER YEAR FOR THOSE SAME 20 YEARS AND YOU WILL HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH AT LEAST FIVE TIMES AS MUCH PAPER AND A BALANCED ECOSYSTEM.

DO NOT "BELIEVE" ME! DO THE RESEARCH YOURSELF! IT MAY HELP TO EMANCIPATE THE MIND FROM ALOT OF THE ILLUSIONS HERE IN BABYLON.

KNOW THE TRUTH. BELIEF CAN BE A FORM OF DOUBT. JAH CHILDREN ARE COUNTED AS SHEEP TO THE SLAUGHTER FROPM LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.

JAH SEE AN KNOW

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Sorry, But Jesus Christ is the Healing of the Nations. Weed, has it's place in some of the things that you mentioned, but People need Christ first. With out salvation there is no point in being healed from anything. We, INI need repentance. That is the healing! Repentance. Why reason in circles that arre intended to justify our actions when all around us people are going to Hell? What is the point of this? Is weed more important than Souls? I hope not.

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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 08:29 Post subject: quote

Of course it's the healing of the nation! Zeeeen. And of course it's first of all Jah who is! But isn't the herb created by Jah?

Bob Marley calls it the healing of the nation,
'cause the wisdom weed gives so much inspiration.
The herb, growing from creation,
should be legalised without hesitation.
Searching for a positive vibration,
the rastaman will fight for decriminalization.
Because rasta use the ganja for meditation;
while praying for salvation.
Praying to sustain Babylon indoctrination,
and to see the meaning of the Book of Revelation.
Sensimilia used for rastaman's concentration,
just to get a higher education.
Babylon must stop this senseless operation,
and stop spreading false information!

Rastafari!

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"Many discouraging hours will arise before the rainbow of accomplished goals will appear on the horizon." **(Haile Sellassie I)**

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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 08:35 Post subject: quote

As with many other religious groups, the history of this one also begins before the group itself. Marcus Garvey, born in 1887, would direct the philosophical ideologies that would eventually grow into the Rastafarian movement.

In the early 1920's, Garvey was an influential black spokesman and founder of the "back-to-Africa" movement. He often spoke of the redemption of his people as coming from a future black African king (Magical Blend, June/July 1994, p. 76). On one occasion, Garvey proclaimed, "Look to Africa for the crowning of a Black King, he shall be the Redeemer" (The Rastafarians, p. 67). Only a few years later that prediction would be fulfilled in the person of Ethiopia's king, Haile Selassie. As Barrett has explained, "in the pantheon of the Rastafarians, Marcus Garvey is second only to Haile Selassie" (Ibid).

On November 2, 1930, Ras Tafari Makonnen was crowned king of Ethiopia. Upon his coronation, he claimed for himself the titles of "Emperor Haile Selassie (Power of the Trinity) I, Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Elect of God and King of the Kings of Ethiopia" (Ethiopia and Haile Selassie, Peter Schwab, editor, p. 11).

After the crowning of Selassie and the apparent fulfillment of the millennial expectations of Marcus Garvey, the Rastafarian movement gained a following and officially began in 1930 (The Rastafarians, p. x).

One of its early leaders was Leonard Howell, who in 1933 was "arrested by the Jamaican government for preaching a revolutionary doctrine" (The Perennial Dictionary of World Religions, Keith Crim, editor, p. 601).

While Howell's doctrines [which will be noted later] helped shape the theology of the movement, his arrest helped shape the movement's organizational structure. As Barrett explained, "The harassment of Howell by the police might have been the reason why Rastafarians have decided to remain leaderless, a decision which has strengthened the movement" (The Rastafarians, p. 91).

One of the key doctrines of Rastafarians had been their expectation that they would one day return to Africa, "the Zion which would be restored to them after centuries in the Diaspora" (Rastaman, p. 243). Garvey, with his "back-to-Africa" ideology had inspired much of this hope.

In 1960 this anticipated move seemed potentially possible. With the help of the Jamaican government, a delegation of Rastafarians set out on a mission to Africa. "Though no large-scale immigration to Africa by Jamaicans was achieved, the sending of some Rastafarian leaders to Africa resulted in the movement's enhanced knowledge of African realities, and probably diffused the movement's enthusiasm for immediate repatriation" (The Rastafarians, pp. 100-101).

An important historical event in the Rastafarian movement occurred when Haile Selassie visited Jamaica on April 21, 1966. This event resulted in two profound developments within the movement. First, Selassie convinced the Rastafarian brothers that they "should not seek to immigrate to Ethiopia until they had liberated the people of Jamaica." Second, from that time forth, April 21 has been celebrated as a "special holy day" among Rastafarians (Ibid, pp. 158, 160).

On August 27, 1975, Haile Selassie died. With his death came various forms of rationalization from many Rastafarians. The responses concerning Selassie's death ranged from "his death was a fabrication" to "his death was inconsequential because Haile Selassie was merely a `personification' of God" (Rastaman: The Rastafarian Movement in England, Ernest Cashmore, pp. 59-60). As the Magical Blend states, "When Selassie died in 1975, his divinity did not die with him. According to current belief, the Ras Tafari lives on through individual Rastafarians" (June/July 1994, p. 76).

Currently, the Rastafarian movement has official branches in England, Canada, the Caribbean islands and America as well as members in most of the civilized countries (The Perennial Dictionary of World Religions, p. 601).

It has also experienced some fragmentation since the death of Selassie. One of the prominent splinter-groups, known as the Twelve Tribes of Israel, founded by Vernon Carrington has its headquarters in New York (The Rastafarians, pp. 210, 227, 236). Other groups which "claim allegiance to Ras Tafari" are the Ethiopian Zion Coptic Church and the Ethiopian World Federation (Ibid, p. 238).

DOCTRINE

As Cashmore has observed, "The belief system of Ras Tafari was so vague and loosely defined, even at its inception, due to its lack of a single

authoritative voice, that what was to be acceptable doctrine was largely a matter of individual interpretation" (Rastaman, p. 7).

Early in the history of the movement, Leonard Howell gave the Rastafarians six principles. "(1) hatred for the White race; (2) the complete superiority of the Black race; (3) revenge on Whites for their wickedness; (4) the negation, persecution, and humiliation of the government and legal bodies of Jamaica; (5) preparation to go back to Africa; and (6) acknowledging Emperor Haile Selassie as the Supreme Being and only ruler of Black people" (The Rastafarians, p. 85). As Barrett notes, "This first glimpse of the new doctrine that launched the Rastafarian movement has not changed significantly over the years" (Ibid).

Aside from these six principles are two overriding concepts that are key to the Rastafarian system.

First is the idea or teaching about Babylon which refers to the Jamaican government, the establishment or the white oppressors in general (Ibid, pp. xiii, 3, 89).

The second concept is that of I and I which has "become arguably the most important theoretical tool apart from the Babylonian conspiracy in the Rastafarian repertoire" (Rastaman, p. 66). Cashmore explains, "I and I is an expression to totalize the concept of oneness. `I and I' as being the oneness of two persons. So God is within all of us and we're one people in fact. `I and I means that God is in all men. The bond of Ras Tafari is the bond of God, of man. But man itself needs a head and the head of man is His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie of Ethiopia'" (Ibid, p. 67).
Other doctrines which are more loosely taught and believed by the Rastafarians are the following:

1) Rastafarians have a doctrine of avatar which is very similar to Hinduism. They believe, "God revealed himself in the person of Moses, who was the first avatar or savior. The second avatar was Elijah. The Third avatar was Jesus Christ. Now the advent of Ras Tafari is the climax of God's revelation" (The Rastafarians, p. 112). They even teach that Jesus predicted the coming of Haile Selassie (Ibid, p. 106).

2) The devil is actually the god of the White man (Ibid, p. 108).

3) As with many new religious movements, the Rastafarians only accept the

Bible conditionally preferring those passages that can be forced to harmonize with their unique doctrines. "Rastas accept the Bible as their central text with the proviso that much of its original material had been deliberately distorted during its translation into English. It is necessary, therefore, to interpret the Bible as critically as possible and recognize the aspects of it which might have been flushed out, included or altered in meaning." Further, they prefer an allegorical approach to Bible interpretation claiming that the pages of Scripture should be searched for "hidden meanings and directives" (Rastaman, p. 74).

4) Women's role in the Rastafarian movement is at best a subordinate one (Ibid, p. 7.

5) A physical feature that sets the Rastafarians apart from all other groups is the wearing of their hair in dreadlocks. "Dreadlocks were inspired by a biblical injunction against the cutting of one's hair" (Magical Blend, June/July 1994, p. 76).

6) Another commonly held belief among the Rastafarians is their emphasis on the smoking of marijuana. "Likewise, ganga or marijuana is considered to be the `holy herb' mentioned in the Bible and its smoking is a holy sacrament to many" (Ibid, June/July 1994, p. 76). As Barrett explains, through the use of ganga, the Rastafarian reaches an altered state of consciousness. In this altered state, "the revelation that Haile Selassie is God and that Ethiopia is the home of the Black" is realized. "The herb is the key to new understanding of the self, the universe, and God. It is the vehicle to cosmic consciousness" (The Rastafarians, pp. 254-255).

7) In line with their idea of being the supreme race, the Rastafarians also believe that they "1/4were the reincarnations of the ancient tribes of Israel who had been enslaved and kept in exile by their white oppressors, the agents of Babylon" (Rastaman, p. 129)

True Rastafarians are also vegetarians (The Rastafarians, p. 126).

BIBLICAL RESPONSE

As with many other groups which selectively acknowledge biblical passages, the Rastafarians will only accept those parts of the Bible which appear to agree with their unique theological perspectives. However, the following verses may be of some help.

1) Haile Selassie is not the latest avatar of God, for Jesus was the fullness of God. John 1:16; Eph. 1:20-23; Col. 1:19, 2:9.

2) No race is superior to any other race. Gal. 3:28; Col. 3:11.

3) While it is true that the Bible does have meanings on various levels of interpretation, it is not a concealed book. Also, it is not a book that can be selectively believed. Rom. 15:4; 2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20.

4) The Rastafarian's view of Jesus being only one of several "avatars" depreciates Christ's unique claims to deity and His role as sole mediator between God and man. John 8:58; Acts 4:12; 1Tim. 2:5.

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"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." (Romans 1:16)

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 11:08 Post subject: quote

What is this extended quote for?

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http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 12:05 Post subject: quote

[sarcasm]To place the original poster in the heretic corner.
"those evil rasta's", perhaps you've heard of them[/sarcasm]

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blaminack
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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 13:03 Post subject: quote

I have not by any means placed him in that catagory. But Herb is not by any stretch of the imagination the answer to societies ills. Only Christ can be seen this way. With out Christ we all perish, herb or no herb. Yes of course Christ created herb, he also created scorpions and mosquitos, and poison ivy. Herb healing nations? How? Christ has shed his Blood, to Heal us! I say this in love.

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Boomshakalacka

Joined: 23 Dec 2003
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Location: in the cleft of the Rock

Posted: 21 Jan 2004 13:56 Post subject: quote

Hi, I'm going to write this as two posts
'cause I just typed this out and lost it...
frustrating

I think the extended quote by the evangelist
was to shed light on some of the aspects
of false doctrine pertaining to Rasta...
as well as a foundational view of Rasta.

At least that is what I took from his post...
not that Rasta's are evil...just that the belief
for many is not based exclusively on Jah's
redemptive plan of atonement through His
only begotton Son Jesus.

Like Blaminack, I believe Jesus Christ is
The Healer...offered for all people of
every tribe and tongue who will accept Him.

Ole Gallis referred to Bob Marley having
called herb, "the healing of the nation"...
which I think comes from a misrepresentation
of Revelation 22:2,
"In the midst of the street of it, and on either
side of the river, was there the tree of life,
which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded

her fruit every month: and the leaves of the
tree were for the healing of the nations."

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Boomshakalacka Joined: 23 Dec 2003 Posts: 81 Location: in the cleft of the Rock	Posted: 21 Jan 2004 14:13 Post subject: quote Personally, I fail to see how this tree in the New Jerusalem is in fact a pot plant... you know...the tree of life for the healing of the nations...when we see clearly that all of us, the descendents of Adam were cut off from the tree in early Adamic history. For in conjunction with the fall of Adam and Eve came this reality... Genesis 3:22-24, "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand , and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

So he drove out the man; and he placed
at the east of the garden of Eden cherubim,
and a flaming sword which turned every
way, to keep the way of the tree of life."

So...we don't have access to this tree anymore...
and we tell our beloved Idren this in total LOVE
because we LOVE you.
Many of my most cherished friends are Rasta...some
porcelain and some not...but sadly, most have not
accepted Christ as Messiah...

at least not yet!

roaring lambs, <><

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OleGallis

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Location: The Netherlands

Posted: 21 Jan 2004 16:27 Post subject: quote

I know what you mean but InI don't see marijuana as the tree of life...but InI DO see the herb as healing of the nations....noty in biblical way seen...

Mumia Abu-Jamal:
The significance of the herb, aka, the flower?

Bob Marley:
Herb? herb is the healing of the nation, seen? Once you smoke herb, you all must think alike. Now if you thinking alike, dat mean we 'pon the same track. If we 'pon the same track, that mean
we gonna unite. Some say 'don't smoke herb.' Dey don't want us to
unite, right, so they say, 'don't smoke herb.' (laughter)...It's true! So you know, herb is the healing of the nation and people must get herb for dem use. Dem wanna smoke it, let 'em smoke it.
Dem wanna boil it in tea, let 'em boil it in tea. If dem waan steam it, steam it, if dem gwanna eat a little, eat a little, but

dem must det it! True true. Yea, mon, that is why I say, um, you have a lotta liquor store, and because dem know man must smoke,
you have plenty cigarette, but dem no waan ya smoke herb, y'know?
Because, as ya know, the alcohol kill ya, and herb build ya! Yea, herb make ya live. People I know smoke herb live the longest! Jah know! True, true! Herb smoker live the longest pon earth, mon -- true true! I know a man when I a likkle youth who smoke herb and
I grown and see, him kyaan change, him is the same mon from ever
since! (laughter)...Him a deal with Rasta, ya know? One named Robert. Never change. See him years, never change...It's Rasta ya
know?

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"Many discouraging hours will arise before the rainbow of accomplished goals will appear on the horizon." **(Haile Sellassie I)**

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Ras B
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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 18:27 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> But isn't the herb created by Jah?

what difference do it make? Jah also created magic mushrooms, poppy(opium and heroin) and the coca plant(cocaine) and paote, so should we use all those drugs because Jah created them?

while i see many uses for hemp many of which i use, smoke inhalation of any kind is damaging the body not healing it.

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Messian Dread
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Jan 2004 18:47 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
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> I have not by any means placed him in that catagory.

Indeed you didn't. It wasn't about your on-topic post!

I agree with the original poster by the way, what he says!

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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 18:55 Post subject: quote

Revelation 2down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. 3No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him.

It is clear that "the healing of the nations" is the tree of life. They are one and the same. The healing of the nations IS the tree of life. And in the New Jerusalem CHRIST is our living water and him alone will heal the nations. There is no peace and no healing without JESUS CHRIST. The curse will be lifted once and for all. The curse was lifted when CHRIST died on the cross. And in eternity the nations will be healed and not before.

Don't be fooled about the healing of the nations. Research it!!!!!

Even the uses of hemp is no arguement. The eskimos can/do find uses of all 100 feet of a whale, from food to clothes to heat to jewelry etc.... So what is the whale the healing of the nations too?????

Come on, why so much priority/emphasis on pot, herb when the truth is there are many perishing and marijuana will NOT save their souls. To reason about it is one thing BUT to call it the healing of the nations and to spend time and energy on promoting it is not edifying in any way!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 19:07 Post subject: | quote

Well, the original poster said he had reasons. These reasons are facts. It's not about either or, as far as I'm concerned. But stricktly taken, Herb is for healing of the nations, because the argument is not whther the tree in rev is the ganja plant but whether the ganja plant can do something for the healing of the nations, and his arguments lead towards that more then the reasons to illegalize them.

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Posted: 21 Jan 2004 20:10 Post subject: | quote

I don't argue legal or illegal.

I argue the many uses of hemp being the reason for the healing of the nations. It is clear that JAH has given us ALL GEN 1:herb bearing seed, every beast of the earth, fowl of the air, every tree. etc.. Does this not mean we can also say the cow is the healing of the nation. Leather, food , heat , fertilizer etc... this can be argued for all the things that GOD has created. Or how about the pine trees are the healing because we use it for houses, heat, paper etc....

I argue the fact that many say that herb is the healing of the nations. This is taken out of Revelation and therefore my points are valid.

There will be NO nations healed and NO peace between the nations until CHRIST returns! That's what JAH'S word says!

And if we think otherwise then we are putting our faith in something GOD created instead of the creator himself.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JAH SON

Joined: 01 Nov 2003
Posts: 67
Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 23 Jan 2004 01:41 Post subject: quote

FIRST LET US GIVE ALL THANKS, PRAYS, HONOR, AND GLORY UNTO OUR ALL-MIGHTY FATHER, IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, AND WITH LOVE. OUR FATHER WHO IS THE SOURCE OF ALL LIFE AND HEALING. **JAH** BEING ONE OF HIS MANY MIGHTY NAMES.

TALKING DOG: GOOD QUESTION. WE ALL KNOW THE ANSWER.

WARRIOR: "HEALING OF THE NATIONS" IS NOT TAKEN FROM REVELATIONS. IT GOES ALL THE WAY BACK TO KEMET (MODERN-DAY "EGYPT"), BUT FIRST LET ME CLARIFY WHY WE SAY HERB IS THE HEALING:

AS WE KNOW, LIFE CONSIST OF BIRTH, DEATH, AND REBIRTH.

WHEREAS DEATH IS THE MORE DESTRUCTIVE FORCE, BIRTH AND REBIRTH IS THE GENERATIVE OR REGENERATIVE (HEALING) FORCE.

BY CRIMINALIZING HERB, MAN IS CREATING AN IMBALANCE IN THESE LIFE FORCES. (FORCES OF JAH). IN THE ALMIGHTY FATHER'S CREATION TODAY, HEMP IS A REGENERATIVE FORCE.(**** AS FAR AS USING PINE TREES FOR PAPER, HEMP IS THE HEALING FORCE WE ALL NEED.****)

YOU HALFWAY QUOTED THE HOLY BIBLE IN GENESIS. THE VERSE SAYS SOMETHING INTERESTING WHICH YOU SKIPPED OVER. IT SAYS THE HERB [WHICH IS UPON ALL THE FACE OF THE EARTH]. INI SEEING YOU RESPECT THE RESEARCH, SEE TODAY WHICH "HERB BEARING SEED" IS "UPON THE FACE OF ALL THE EARTH".

I LIKE WHAT YOU SAID, "DONT BE FOOLED ABOUT THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS, RESEARCH IT". OK**, IS IT THE TREE OF LIFE (CREATION), OR CHRIST (CREATOR)?** ITS NOW TIME TO LOOK WITHIN AND TAKE YOUR OWN ADVICE. NO DISRESPEC, JUST TRUTH AND LOVE.

BLAMINACK: GOOD QUESTION. (HERB IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS, HOW?). IT'S ALREADY BEEN ANSWERED.

MESSIAN DREAD: YOU KNOW. NUFF PEOPLE ON HERE ARE PRIVY TO THESE LITTLE FACTS AND MUCH MORE. THESE ARE WOLVES IN SHEEPS CLOTHING. IT'S THE MASSES THAT NEED THE KNOWLEDGE. THEY ARE THE ONES BEING DOWNPRESSED. TRUTH IS TRUTH. TRUTH IS LOVE. GOD IS LOVE.

RAS B: SMOKING IS THE LEAST OF THE USES FOR HERB. DON'T LET THAT BE A SMOKE SCREEN THAT KEEPS YOU FROM SEEING THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER, SEEN?

OLEGALLIS: RESPECT. BIBLICALLY, HERB IS ALSO GIVEN FOR THE SERVICE OF MAN PSALMS 104:14. DEEP STATEMENT. ANYTIME SERVICE OR SERVITUDE IS MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE, THERE ARE DEEPER MEANINGS. THINK ABOUT IT. THANKS FOR THE REASONING IYAH.

BOOMSHACKALACKA: IT'S NOT WHETHER THE PLANT IN REV IS GANJA, BUT WHETHER HERB CAN IN OUR REALITY DO SOMETHING FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS, AND EVERYBODY KNOWS IT CAN. PARTICULARLY THE SPIRITUALLY WICKED ONES IN HIGH PLACES.
ALSO THE BURNING OF GANJA IS THE MAIN DISTRACTION BABYLON USES NOW TO KEEP US FROM THE LIFE FORCE OF THE HERBS. YOUR GENESIS QUOTE REMINDED ME OF THAT. ALSO WHEN YOU CLICK 'SUBMIT' TO SEND YOUR MESSAGE AND IT PROMPTS YOU TO RE-TYPE YOUR NAME AND PASSEWORD, DON'T DO IT-- GO 'BACK' FIRST, HIGHLIGHT YOUR TEXT AND COPY IT (CTRL+C), THEN LOG IN AND PASTE IT. THE SAME THING HAPPENED TO ME.

ELVIS: PLEASE. THANK YOU.

IS MEDICINE SORCERY? INI HAVE EXPERIENCED MIRACULOUS HEALING THROUGH PRAYER TO THE ALMIGHTY IN THE NAME OF THE TRUE CHRIST. (WITH AND WITHOUT USING HIS HERBS) BUT HERB IS THE HEALING OF **THE NATIONS .**

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JAH SON Joined: 01 Nov 2003 Posts: 67 Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH	Posted: 23 Jan 2004 01:43 Post subject: quote TO WHOEVER ANSWERED "NAAH": GIVE THANKS FOR THE HONESTY. SHAME ON THOSE WHO SAY OF COURSE AND DO NOTHING.
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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 23 Jan 2004 02:00 Post subject: quote

Ganja is going to correct the imbalance of the nations? See, this is a huge jump for me. I see much larger problems than the ones that Ganja can solve. I am talking about issues of the heart. Seen? Ganja at best can stir the flesh, in some way. The soul is not cleansed or healed from sin by it's use. If ganja healed every disease it cannot deal with sin. Is Babylon really keeping Ganja from those who want it? I never saw my parents do with out it. But then, I did have to go with out decent clothes so they could have it. Are their Spiritual lives really pushed towards Christ? No. Their level of understanding spiritually has been stagnant for years. Isn't it more possible that the Ganja use has not been revealing but a hinderance? Healing? Ok Paper production... fine. Food? Who eats it, for a major source of food really? Seriously it is mostly smoked. Crop rotation? How is that going to keep men from sin?

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OleGallis

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Location: The Netherlands

Posted: 23 Jan 2004 10:38 Post subject: quote

JAH SON wrote:

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Yes I. Respec Bredren!

Psalms 104:14
[14] He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

GIVE THANKS!!! InI see what you mean!

For more biblical notes on the herb, this may be a very interesting link:
http://www.druglibrary.org/schaffer/hemp/potbible.htm

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"Many discouraging hours will arise before the rainbow of accomplished goals will appear on the horizon." **(Haile Sellassie**

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Posted: 23 Jan 2004 11:13 Post subject: quote

I wouldn't consider herb to be the tree that is described in Revelation. On the other hand I can perfectly see what the original poster said. There are reasons why babylon is holding the herb away from the people. So I agree with warrior that herb is not going to bring the peace and justice that we know JAH JAH brings forth when HE comes.

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Posted: 23 Jan 2004 19:00 Post subject: quote

JAH SON,
I did not skip it. it was more a paraphrase. I was bringing up the point that if WE convince ourselves of something then we will be with scales on our eyes. What about my arguement. There is much much much more scripture about cattle-meat sacrifices and beasts of the land. So should I say that animals are the healing of the nations? Animals are ALL over the earth rain, snow, mountains. Marijuana cannot grow in snow! If you use the flower of marijuana than it cannot rain or it will mold. I can go on and on. It is far from the perfect plant!!!!!!

Your arguement is not what you think it is.

Genesis 2:9 And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground-trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food.

Marijuana good for food!!?? I have done much, much research on the affects of eating marijuana and it is terrible for the digetive

track and holds no vitamins which will help us in any way that is healthy.

Now the fact is that I live where it rains 65 inches a year and I would not want my children living in a house made of hemp! There is limited uses for hemp and you must realize that your agenda is NOT always JAH'S will.

I don't argue legal or illegal or wether or not babylon is controlling use and non-use. You are right. But your arguement for the healing of the nations is not credible.

Quote: OK, IS IT THE TREE OF LIFE (CREATION), OR CHRIST (CREATOR)? I see your point. But you still did not give any more valid reasons for hemp than I can bring up with any other of JAH'S creation.

Quote: IS NOT TAKEN FROM REVELATIONS.

There was only ONE REVELATION. NO "S" The book of Revelation.....

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JAH SON

Joined: 01 Nov 2003
Posts: 67
Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 29 Jan 2004 02:04 Post subject: quote

BLAMINACK: YES I. I SEE THESE PROBLEMS, TOO. WHAT I'M SAYING TO YOU IS THAT THE ENEMY IS "SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS IN HIGH PLACES". IT IS BABYLON. IT IS INDEED AN ISSUE OF THE HEART. BABYLON USES HEMP LIKE A CRACK DEALER USES COCAINE. THE MONEY THAT PEOPLE SPEND ON THE WEED *OF BABYLON* TRICKLES RIGHT BACK *TO BABYLON*. CAN YOU SEE WHAT I AM SAYING? I TRUELY FEEL YOU AS A BROTHER IN CHRIST AND IT IS SAD THAT SO MANY PEOPLE ARE SPIRITUALLY STAGNANT AND ADDICTED TO DRUGS. BABYLON ABUSES HERB, MEANING THEY USE IT IN A WAY CONTRARY TO THE NATURAL BALANCE. HERB IS NOT THE SOLVER OF ALL

PROBLEMS, BUT WHAT I AM SAYING TO YOU IS THAT I KNOW WE FIGHT NOT AGAINST FLESH AND BLOOD. DOWNPRESSION IS SIN. DOWNPRESSION IS SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS. DOWNPRESSION COMES FROM SO-CALLED HIGH PLACES. DOWNPRESSION IS THE "SPIRIT" BEHIND REGULATING THE MOST LUCRATIVE CROP ON JAH EARTH TO THE POINT OF SPREADING LIES THROUGH PROPAGANDA, TO CONFUSE THE MASSES AND PROFIT THEMSELVES. BABYLON GROWS MORE WEED IN MEXICO AND VARIOUS PLACES THAN YOU MAY REALIZE. ONLY OUR FATHER GOD ALMIGHTY (WHOM JESUS HIMSELF TEACHES US TO PRAY TO) CAN CURE SIN. THAT STATEMENT IS TRUE AND DOES NOT GO AGAINST ANYTHING I SAID MY BROTHER. JAHLOVE EVERYTIME ALLWAYS.

MESSIAN DREAD: I AGREE

WARRIOR:If you use the flower of marijuana than it cannot rain or it will mold. WHAT? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

Q)good for food!!?? I have done much, much research on the affects of eating marijuana and it is terrible for the digetive track and holds no vitamins which will help us in any way that is healthy.
A)MY MOTHER COOKS WITH HERB, INI TOO. I DO NOT KNOW YOUR SOURCE OF INFORMATION, BUT I CAN TELL YOU FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE THAT DISHES PREPARED WITH HERB ARE GOOD AND HEALTHY WHEN PREPARED CORRECTLY.

Q)I would not want my children living in a house made of hemp! There is limited uses for hemp and you must realize that your agenda is NOT always JAH'S will.
A)LIST THE USES FOR HEMP COMPARED TO OTHER CROPS.

Quote: OK, IS IT THE TREE OF LIFE (CREATION), OR CHRIST (CREATOR)? I see your point. But you still did not give any more valid reasons for hemp than I can bring up with any other of JAH'S

creation. YES I DID. PLEASE ANSWER. IS IT THE TREE OR HIM? THIS CAN ONLY HELP.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 29 Jan 2004 17:16 Post subject:

quote

Jah Son,
What I meant was that during the budding(flower) time it is terrible for the plant if it rains, right?! Therefore making it impossible to use. And my statement is that it is far from the perfect plant. Also I did not mean that it is bad to use to cook with. I made it clear that it is not a significant source of protein/vitamins alone. Sure I cook with oregano but alone it would do nothing for me.

I was simply saying that apple trees, avacado, etc... last through the winter and bloom each year. And are edible alone with good health measures. Marijuana cannot live through harsh snow and cannot be eaten alone and still provide our bodies with nutrients. Far from the healing of any nation with the many ways that it is susceptable to the elements.

It is CHRIST of course. However it is the faith and belief in him (by his grace alone) which allows us to even eat from that tree. SEEN?

I will not list any uses for hemp or other plants or animals. It is clear that there are many uses for ALL of JAH'S creations and we must not put one above all the others!!

PEACE

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 29 Jan 2004 17:45 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> RAS B: SMOKING IS THE LEAST OF THE USES FOR HERB. DON'T LET THAT BE A SMOKE SCREEN THAT KEEPS YOU FROM SEEING THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER, SEEN?

Jah Son please read and think before replying, i was only adressing a certain use which was smoking and i also said that i know there are many uses for ganja many of them i use myself

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dreadedheart	Posted: 30 Jan 2004 23:45 Post subject: uses and abuses quote

Joined: 14 Jan 2004
Posts: 41
Location: norcal

i am addicted to weed. sure there are uses for it, clothing, paper, spice, small amount for apetite enchancment and sleeping aid, but all these uses work as a front for what the majority wants to do. the majority wants to get loaded! if i had a plant in my back yard it would be very hard to not smoke the product. if some of you brothers and sisters can have it around and use it correctly more power to you (an of course JAH) but for a lot of people that are advocates for it, it is their drug. and it is what is keep them from a more full relationship with God. i am trying to weed (no pun intended) out the drugs in my life because God has told me to. i took heed to His call, if he is telling you to not smoke dont mess with Him, you know who you are, dont justifiy someting Jah says wrong. you bodies are temples, keep your hearts pure. Jah bless all ya.

ty beach

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"zion train is coming our way"

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 31 Jan 2004 00:26 Post subject: quote

dreadedheart,

I am glad that you are recognizing God's calling for you to quit and I pray he grants you the strength to conquer your addiction! I know what it's like as I have been through a similar experience. You will pull through!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 31 Jan 2004 00:33 Post subject: quote

Yes indeed Ty!!!!! Right on Brother! Beautiful words of courage. I am sick of what Satan does to people with addictions. People can become addicted to ANYTHING that pleases the flesh and I mean anything. There is little that saps the strength from a Christian more than addiction. It could be ciggarettes, drinking, sex, drugs, it doesn't matter! As long as it makes the flesh feel good for a while we can become hooked. But God has not called us to bondage!!!!!!!! He is a MIGHTY deliverer!

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
2Co 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
2Co 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
2Co 10:6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

Ty I glory in the work that God is about to do in you!!!!! When God has brought the victory begin to take revenge against Satan for the years lost! Pull others out too!!!!

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Posted: 31 Jan 2004 01:25 Post subject: quote

And how do you know it's JAH telling you? Do you test the spirits to see if they are off JAH? Do they **confess** that YESUS is KRISTOS in the flesh?

Because I see everyone now jumping in to say how good it is to follow JAH's voice. Ofcourse it is, but is it JAH's voice?

Don't be fooled, sometimes satan come as an angel of light.

Just some Berean Sense

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Posted: 31 Jan 2004 04:30 Post subject: quote

just trying to encourage the brother man.. isn't it more constructive to encourage than to speculate?

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Posted: 31 Jan 2004 04:43 Post subject: quote

Just because this guys experiences differ from yours that does not by any means say that they are not valid? Don't like some one admitting to addiction? Ty is stepping out in faith. Question what God is telling you, but allow this guy some room.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 31 Jan 2004 10:33 Post subject: quote

Funny, I thought exactly the opposite.

"Just because this guys experiences the same as yours that does not by any means say that they are valid? "

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Posted: 31 Jan 2004 16:47 Post subject: quote

Ok are you saying that your experience IS the same as his? Because he is saying that he is addicted and all his past ideas about ganja use were to justify his addict to make it look ok? Is that what you are saying or are you saying that you just have smoking in common?

I have never once heard a "voice" telling me to do something good for me! And you your self have said that you don't encourage people to start. So I am wondering if you would encourage some one to continue when his INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE has told him not to?

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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 01 Feb 2004 05:10 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Ok are you saying that your experience IS the same as his?

No. Neither have I claimed that I smoke and that JAH told me to smoke or doesn't forbid me to smoke. I might, I might not.

Quote:

> Because he is saying that he is addicted and all his past ideas about ganja use were to justify his addict to make it look ok?

I learned to be observant, analytical, not taking anything at face value. I know how enormous the pressure of the churchical system can be on a smoker who in himself isn't really having trouble with his smoking. I know much the churchical system is aimed at putting ganja among the rest of the drugs. I know they can make believe believe certasin things.

In short, just because he says he's addictive and all that doesn't neccesasrily make it so. And we are here in a discussion forum. He also calsim JAH told him and that might or might not be so in his personal

"case". I do not one second doubt that JAH sometimes does this.

I just wondered. The bnrother said he stopped because JAH told him so, in the end. All the "non-smokers" seem to be happy with that. But are they happy because JAH told the brother a thing or because of what JAH told the brother? Or do they believe it is the voice of JAH because the voice is saying what they are thinking? If either one of the above is the case, then there is something wrong.

Should I expect the same responses when somebody would come here and say blatenly that JAH told him it is okay to smoke herb?

No, I shouldn't.

So the rejoice is not in JAH talking, but in what is said that JAH said.

> **Quote:**
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> So I am wondering if you would encourage some one to continue when his INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE has told him not to?

I most certainly would not be so enthousiastioc when someobedy says JAH told him this or that. This has to be taken VERY serious, checked and double checked.

If it is not JAH who said what the brother said JAH told him, then this brother is bound to fall in some really serious addiction. Think about it.

> **Quote:**
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> Is that what you are saying or are you saying that you just have smoking in common?

I have not much "in common". I'm not posting here about myself having some kind of cannabis use, addictive or not. Neither do I calim that JAH told me that smoking herb is bad for me. For me this is the subject of a reasoning, not a public confession room.

> **Quote:**
>
> I have never once heard a "voice" telling me to do something good for me!

I have. And I do not take these things lightly. I know JAH speaks to all. But

before you go and tell in public that JAH said something to you, you must be really carefull. Berean sense!

> **Quote:**
>
> And you your self have said that you don't encourage people to start.

Where do I encourage anybody to start when I state that it might be possible people rejoicing when others claim JAH told them to **stop** (which is not allways the opposite of "start"), are not rejoicing because we have a speaking God, but because this God was speaking their thing. Feel me?

This is an option to consider in the Berean Tradition.

> **Quote:**
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> So I am wondering if you would encourage some one to continue when his INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE has told him not to?

Again, I was responding to the "JAH Voice" aspect of it all primarily. I also do not know this particular brother or his situation. I do know the tremendous pressure from the churchical system to disable people from being able to potentionaly smoke up some thing.

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Forum Veteran

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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 01 Feb 2004 09:26 Post subject: quote

First off, if someone comes out and says "I have an addiction" I recognize that as a serious problem that needs to be dealt with physically and psychologically. It doesn't matter what the addiction is. My experience there is not the same. I said my experience was somewhat similar because He has also claimed that God asked him to stop and he is trying to heed his call. According to what I read it seems as if he is still dealing with it and I encouraged the brother to continue to listen to God, not to me, the church, rastafari or anything.

MD, it concerns me that you seem to speak out against encouraging a

brother in Christ. I am responding to what he wrote. I can take what he said as a fact or as lies. I am in no position to question how he heard God and wether or not it was God or no. I seriously doubt that he would go that far to say something that was not true. There is nothing he said that indicated he was influenced by some anti-herb-with-no-just-cause Christians.

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And how do you propose that is done? Are you the one to make the final decision? Do you know his spiritual connection with God? I just think that you are being pessimistic and a bit over analytical about something that you really cannot prove. I can't prove it either but I made the choice to respond positively and not to scoff at his comments.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 01 Feb 2004 14:07 Post subject: quote

> **coolpoete wrote:**
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No?

I haven't seen one remark that actually pointed out to what JAH orders us in the Bible, to check the words. Not to take anything just like the word of God simply because it is claimed what you like. And I am not talking about the person, but about those who responded to what he said.

You are not aware of the enormous influence the churchical system can have on one person, even to the extend this person might actually think JAH "asks" (JAH no ask, JAH tell!) this person to do a certain thing. Especially when there is no real discernment, this is a thing which happens. And it has nothing to do with the genuiity of the brother. I am not suggesting he is lieing.

The Bible actually orders everyone who hears another one say: "JAH told me this or that" to actually CHECK whether that is so. Even, perhapes ESPECIALLY, when the statement supposedly from JAH is saying something that tickles our ears.

I'm not against encouraging a brother in Christ. Ofcourse not! That's not what I suggested. I was wondering whether this actually was encouraging a brother in Christ.

Quote:

Quote:

I most certainly would not be so enthousiastioc when someobedy says JAH told him this or that. This has to be taken VERY serious, checked and double checked.

If it is not JAH who said what the brother said JAH told him, then this brother is bound to fall in some really serious addiction. Think about it.

And how do you propose that is done?

You are not aware of the biblical commandment to CHECK EVERYTHING and KEEP THE GOOD (a verse only to be applied for prophecies)? The Bereans checked the scriptures. John tells us to test the spirits.

Fall into serious addiction? That is refering to the church system. Suppose someone came up the the brother and told him "The Almighty says to me he says to you to stop". The brother tries to stop and all that, thinking he is is doing the Lord's will. But it doesn't work so he goes back to the prophet to hear what JAH has to say about that. And before you knoew it this person is addicted to magical thinking and depending on socalled prophets. You are saying you have never heard of happenings like this taking place?

Quote:

> Are you the one to make the final decision?

Yes. For myself. Yes. Like JAH ordered us all. Yes.

Quote:

> Do you know his spiritual connection with God? I just think that you are being pessimistic and a bit over analytical about something that you really cannot prove. I can't prove it either but I made the choice to respond positively and not to scoff at his comments.

Scoffing? Since when is testing the spirits "scoffing"? It actually is a biblical commandment to check and test. It's not "nothing", we speak here about the Almighty saying something to a person.

Am I scoffing? When I am, I am scoffing about a serious lack of critical discernment which by the way is a gifft of the Spirit. So go ahead and call it "scoffing". I call it Berean Sense.

Sure you "made the choice to respond positive", simply because it appeals to you what he says. But that is not the standards which our discernment has to follow.

No, I do not know "his connection with JAH". Do you? Another reason for me not to jump up and rejoice over something he says JAH told him.

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Posted: 01 Feb 2004 19:48 Post subject: quote

I am sorry Jetze but this guys desire to be free from Weed is totally in line with Scripture EVEN IF it is not a sin!

Heb 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

If he WANTS to stop and cannot as a Christian it is a weight that is hindering his walk with God.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 02 Feb 2004 03:33 Post subject: quote

Ofcourse. And the weight, how is it put there? Is it put there by JAH, or by the system? Why is THAT question not asked? Only because the brother is saying a thing that supports people in their own stance?

Would you go for the same responses if someone would tell you JAH told him or her that it is okay for him or her to smoke herb? Or would you ask the question if this man or woman is really sure it is the voice of JAH? Be honest That is the issue I adress.

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Posted: 02 Feb 2004 03:53 Post subject: quote

Yes, I would ask that question because I have never seen even one instance of God telling some one to do something that is harmful to their body. So yes I would question it.

What I am asking is this... if Ty says he is addicted, and wants to stop for WHAT EVER reason why have you not come out and said something like Ty I will pray that God will help you? Is that stance SO contrary to the stance that you have of liberty? This Brother has expressed that he wants to stop but is not finding the strength in himself and you are questioning if it was God who REALLY told him to stop. You are not addicted? GOOD Praise God. You can stop anytime you want. Good Praise God. Ty has expressed that he hasn't been able on his own. Are we to be BOUND BY ANYTHING? Is his bondage not genuine enough for you to have some compassion on? Jetze in all honesty you are eroding your stand on this subject. You are going way past the stand of liberty for the indivdual and going into saying it is good for all.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 02 Feb 2004 14:02 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
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> Yes, I would ask that question because I have never seen even one instance of God telling some one to do something that is harmful to their body. So yes I would question it.

Okay, thanks. Now I have seen many instances in which people were saying all kinds of thing on herb or whatever, and JAH told them this or that. And nobody asked the question: "Is it really JAH speaking?" A serious thing.

Ofcourse you would question it and you have every right to do so. That is what the Bible tells us to do. To CHECK. It takes courage and trust to check also when JAH says a thing that tickles your ear so to speak. Then you still gotta check too. And I do not see many people practising that biblical commandment.

What I see is the brother said something that you agree with and therefore you don't question if it is really JAH speaking to him. And that is what I

adress.

> **Quote:**
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> What I am asking is this... if Ty says he is addicted, and wants to stop for WHAT EVER reason why have you not come out and said something like Ty I will pray that God will help you?

Okay, fair enough. I have seen many instances in which people who are smoking herb they go to a church or whatever, some christians telling him that he doesn't want herb, that he is addicted, that he is inviting legions of demons in every draw he takes, and more of that. Now the force of the christians around him may force him to say certain things like: "I'm addicted and I can't stop", or "Weed is a sin and you will go to hell if you do it". This can even come to a climax in which it is said that also the MOST HIGH says to stop.

I'm not talking about the brother per se, could be that I am, could be that I don't. I do not know that. But I do know that I will not be so enthousiastic all the time when someone comes and says JAH told them something.

> **Quote:**
>
> Is that stance SO contrary to the stance that you have of liberty?

It's not when it's really JAH speaking to him, it is when JAH is not speaking to him.

I know the tremendous pressure that can come out of the churchical system and it can make people think things about themselves which are not even true neccesarily.

> **Quote:**
>
> This Brother has expressed that he wants to stop but is not finding the strength in himself and you are questioning if it was God who REALLY told him to stop.

Yes. Because of a couple of reasons.

-1- The Holy Spirit CONVINCES of sin. When the Holy Spirit convinces of sin, He also gives the power to stop. If JAH tells someone to do a certain thing He gives the strength also. If you don't have the strength, maybe

JAH doesn't want you to do so.

-2- The Bible tells us that EVERYTIME someone comes and says in a public setiing that JAH told them this or that, we are ordered to check this. Even if it tickles our ears. Especially when it tickles our ears. Like it tickles your ears to heart someone saying JAH told them to stop herb. Because you like what you read it doesn't come into you that perhaps JAH did not say that whereas when someone would come and say JAH told them this or that, contrary to what you feel, you admit you would have checked THAT. How do you respond to people who say JAH told them reggae music is wrong?

-3- I know how the pressure from the churchical system can lead people into saying and believing certain things.

I know this guy, he was on the stage in the church telling 1000's of people how he was addicted to weed and how JAH freed him and this and that. So his non-smoking was very well connected with his christianity, okay? After a while he started smoking again. He lost his faith as far as i know. Simply becausde he couldn't hold up to what he thought was neccesary in order to be a christian. Do you realize the danger I see potentialy?

What when the brother here would be like the example above? I don't know him, I don't know the people he deals with, so the possibility of what I described above is real and when it would become reality in the brother's life, you would actually be a part of the guilt in that.

> **Quote:**
>
> You are not addicted? GOOD Praise God. You can stop anytime you want. Good Praise God. Ty has expressed that he hasn't been able on his own.

I never said if I smoke or not. I simply have a stance on it, and I can explain with argumentation why I think what I think. I can tell you that I smoked and not smoked and I had this stance which I have now because I know it is not about me.

> **Quote:**
>
> Are we to be BOUND BY ANYTHING? Is his bondage not genuine enough for you to have some compassion on?

I simply do not accept it when someone says that they are addicted to

herb just because this someone says so. I see a lot of reasons as to why this brother could come to say a thing like that and only one of them is that he would actually be addicted. I want to "weed out" (to quote the brother) everything else before I can make up my mind.

> **Quote:**
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> Jetze in all honesty you are eroding your stand on this subject. You are going way past the stand of liberty for the indivdual and going into saying it is good for all.

No I don't.

This is only partialy about herb. It's more about: "how do we respond when someone says JAH told them this-or-that". Why do we respond positively when it is said JAH said something which we like, and why do we not respond positively when JAH would have said a thing which we do not like? Why are we not checking the first time and only the second time?

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Posted: 02 Feb 2004 18:28 Post subject: quote

Why are we not the first time? That is ludicris! Your stance has been about personal experience. If God told him to stop that should be between him and God. Did he say that God told him every one needs to quit or start or shove the weed up their noses? No, He believes that God wants him to stop. That is why I say that your stance on liberty is slipping. You just seem to want liberty to indulge in it, not liberty from it if one feels compelled to do so.

This is exactly why I feel that the line that some want to draw between weed and harder drugs is arbitrary. They want folks to believe that no one can be addicted to weed. Why? This weakens the claims that the Pro-Dope folks want for us to think.

Your statements about addiction are ONLY partially correct. Yes the Holy

Spirit does give the power of addictions, but He does not go against your will.

I was seriously bound by addiction to Porn for 15 years. All that time the Holy Spirit convicting me. Pleading, pushing and never letting the issue rest. All the while I "said that I wanted to stop". But the power to stop never came until I meant what I said. What ever the cost I want freedom. It came and I am free. Why? Because of true repentance. Repentance from what? Sin. My Sin. You said your self that sin is when we do something God does not want. That is what Ty is saying. He wants freedom because he believes God wants him to be free. Now yes, when his desire is God's desire he will find more power over it than he could imagine. Do you really have a problem with the idea that Ty may be hearing from God on this issue? Why?

You are railing against the Churchical stand against weed. But there is good reasons for the stand. But of course you have rejected those on the basis of personal experience. Yet you question Ty's experiences...

Have you asked Ty if the pressure to quit is coming from his friends? I firmly believe that his friends from Church know very little about it. Why, because sin is done in darkness and in hiding. I think Ty would tell you it is his heart that is agreeing with the Holy Spirit compelling him to quit, not some over zealous Bible Thumper.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 02 Feb 2004 18:51 Post subject: quote **Quote:** If God told him to stop that should be between him and God. True. **Quote:** Did he say that God told him every one needs to quit or start or shove the weed up their noses? No, He believes that God wants him to stop. True. **Quote:** That is why I say that your stance on liberty is slipping. You miss my point, I think. **Quote:** You just seem to want liberty to indulge in it, not liberty from it if one feels compelled to do so.

I can see why you think this, because it is your interpertetation of what I said. I am sorry for my lack of ability to spell it out.

Quote:

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You're focusing on the wrong aspect of what I am trying to get across.

Quote:

> Your statements about addiction are ONLY partially correct. Yes the Holy Spirit does give the power of addictions, but He does not go against your will.

I disagree with that. I think that JAH works the will in us. I think so because the Bible say so. I know about the struggles between our new spirit and our not new flesh. I know how our flesh can tempt us to commit the most terrible sins. And sometimes babylon encourages these things that we see as sin and this makes it all harder. Sometimes we fall, but our will is good. Because of our flesh it is that we struggle stumble and sometimes fall in sin. Not because of our spirit. And our spirit is born of JAH , when you are born again through Christ. Meaning our spirit can not sin. So when we sin, this is because of the flesh.

Quote:

> Do you really have a problem with the idea that Ty may be hearing from God on this issue? Why?

No. I have a problem with some of the issues that come with it. It's not even about the brother Ty. Don't get me wrong.

All I am doing is this. I am saying that in this world where we live, the following situation is very possible:

Man smokes. No problem. Chruch comes and tell him: you a sinner. Man think when church say so JAH must say so. Man stops to smoke. Man starts again to smoke. Man get confused for wasn't JAH with him before? Other Christian comes and say: you are smoking again. You must have a will to commit sin. Man read in the Bible: "What is born out of Jah can not sin". Man get really confused now. Man loses faith....

Do you think the above scenarion is nonsens? If you think it is possible, don't you feel like you should incorporate this possibility in whatever conclusion you make?

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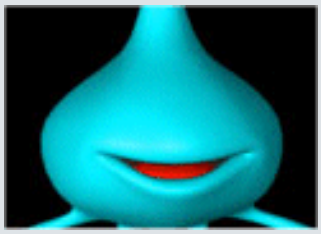

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Posted: 02 Feb 2004 22:29 Post subject: thanks friends quote

i hear you all. i had to read this thread a few tiimes...theres a lot of info here. blaminick, you are right on. i talked to you in more depth the other day about it so, of course, you are going to have more info on this current situation. thank you for your encouragment and prayers by the way.
m.d., just 3 weeks ago i would have loved what you were saying here, in fact i would argue similar views with christian friends of mine. i tryed very hard to convince my friends and i that it was ok as long as you "felt" it was ok and as long as you dont do drugs (not weed). i would tell people that i didnt feel called to quit yet; and i didnt, but there was something missing in my walk with God. something in the way. He showed me it was my addiction and dependence on weed that is keeping Him and I apart. (if you want specifics pm me(it wasnt audible)). you have some intriging arguements, ones i would have loved to use. but i have since stopped trying to justify it and attempted to stop. now is when i realize i cant!! what kind of freedom is that? i figured out, from the lack of fruits on my spiritual tree, i cant smoke and be right with God. its wasnt my pastor (though i would love to talk w/ him about this) or my church body, it was simple self reflection and lack of happiness in my life. the Holy spirit is there, take heed! God is being clear with me, that is why i know i will have the power to stop, if He is not being clear about this with you then thats cool...i am not going to say just because i cant you cant. but your comments on this thread may be leading some brothers to stummble. i really enjoyed reading that many posts on this subject (sorry if i created a tangent) much love to all, ty

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"zion train is coming our way"

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Posted: 03 Feb 2004 09:12 Post subject: quote

Hmph!! Copy and Paste works folks!! If you have a long post, copy it before you hit submit!

MD, I agree with your system of checks to validate God's voice. When I first used to hear about Christians being convicted of God I used to think to myself "well, why doesn't he speak to me that way and just tell me what to do? I would be better off and not have to make mistakes." I had to learn God's voice in my stint with smoking.

Like I said before when I started you couldn't tell me I was doing something wrong. I had arguments with theologians that tried to convince me that smoking was a sin. They could not bring any scriptural proof, as we have reasoned here as well. I believe that God had to bring me through the "fire" in order for me to not only hear but understand his willl. You hear God's voice, then you disobey, then he gives you the reality check that shakes you. At that point you quit. For some it's weed, for others its hard drugs, or sex, or other addictions.

All of this time when God was talking to me I was not consulting with the church or being influenced by friends to stop. Even afterwards it was something that I did not want anyone else to know about because I did not want to be ridiculed. God spoke to me again and told me to put my experiences on my site and it took alot of deep meditating and fighting against him not to do it right away. I learned how to listen to God's voice and I decided that I was not going to ignore it anymore like I did before so I did and like the saying goes "the truth shall set you free."

It takes alot of GUTS to come out and say "I was addicted to porn" in this churchical system that you refer to. The truth of the matter is that we can't prove some things biblically and that scares alot of the conservatives who don't want to hear the truth but want things to flow like it has always been. Maybe your arguments do sound "pro-herb" and that's not true?. Maybe you think that the Christians out here jump to conclusions on things without checking and inquiring but that's not all together true either.

All I'm saying is He who feels it knows it.. for real.. dreadedheart, bill, myself, some others.. when I read their experiences they all add up to what I went through. I went through years of being a Christian and not knowing what God's voice is. Trust me.. I've checked.

As for those "do as I say and not as I do" christians who say smoking is a sin without knowing the experience of smoking, there is something to be said about what they say as well. It is true: If you heed the words and not go to the club or drink or smoke you would not expose your body or your mind to certain harmful elements. This does not mean that not having those experiences means you're going to get a "get to heaven free" card. Everyone has their point of learning and growing and struggling with God. All have sinned and come short of the glory.

Quote:

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I had a problem with my site earlier on that I did not state that I was a Christian or a Rasta and people questioned me about it constantly. So what should I believe? How do I become a Rasta? I say it's a problem because if you don't stand for what you believe people can be influenced in the wrong way, especially those who are looking to sites like ours for answers. I almost thought that if you could read everything about Rasta and Christianity you would have so much to think about and consider that the only other person you would need to help you is God. But (un)fortunately PEOPLE make their own choices (instead of letting God) and make mistakes. They fall, God picks them up and cleans them off and helps them to make the right choices.

So the way I see things, if you are really searching for God he will find you

no matter where you are.

(I think the 3 of us have drained this thread of it's original topic!)

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Posted: 03 Feb 2004 13:02 Post subject: quote

True words all the way around!

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Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 03 Feb 2004 15:22 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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Only three weeks?

Quote:

> i would tell people that i didnt feel called to quit yet; and i didnt, but there was something missing in my walk with God. something in the way.

No, my argumentation is not the same as yours. Let me elaborate, please. I notice the word "yet" in your reasoning, which totally changes the whole stance and opinnion. It implies a theory that JAH has to "call" someone to quit and until that time it's okay to do it. It shows that you in yourself were far from being happy with smoking it, you saw/see it as a situation in which a change had to come anyway. I hope you feel me here. Even if you for yourself had not the idea that you had to stop one time, the word "yet" will give people the thought that the idea that people have to stop in itself was not questioned by you.

I this context, your next step and the way you describe it is perfectly logical. In yourself you were allready convinced that -at least for you- it

was neccesary to stop, and I'm sure you had reasons for that.

Now, to the "stumble" aspect. Ofcourse my words can be twisted and changed around so people can say that they smoke because messian dread say so. They said about our Lord and Saviour that he was a windrinker and among prostitutes and sinners. But I am not going to change my mind or change my words to cater to hypocrites looking for a reason to justify herb for a chruchical system. Equally, I would say that the words of my opponents-in-debate (but Idren in identity) can lead people to stop using their freedoms and get into a serious state of what we call "cramp". Bound by rules that JAH JAH never gave them in the first place. This can seriously impact your view on the Most High, especially in the long run.

Because JAH says clearly, that where HE is, there IS Liberty. Kind of like JAH is Light and where He Is There Is Light. Jah IS Liberty.

I am against the stance that says it is allways wrong for people to smoke herb. There are too many different situational contexts and there are situations where not one argument applies. So these people should be let in freedom that they have. Agreed?

I am against the stance that says herbsmoking is allways good for everyone too. Many arguments have passed the revue here allready...

For me it matters, that people follow JAH and not use or use not herb simply because the church say so or the local hippie say so. And I see people rejoicing over stuff they agree with, not questioning at all if it is really JAH saying so (and it isn't, from what I read in your story), simply because it's in their street so to speak. And that is a thing which I don't really see as something not to critisize.

I would love to have some personal correspondence with you, but I have not so much time and I am not into going public on personal things. I do hope that this thread and others will helkp people to make up their own minds. Most people here represent the stance (is stand a better word?) that it's wrong to do so. Let the argumentation we all have speak for themselves.

If people want from me a reason to smoke because they can't think of a reason for themselves, I'm not like that. But you have to see everything in the context of the discussions here.

CP (I know about ctrl-C by the way)

Quote:

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I know that sometimes things happen a bit like what you describe here. One side remark, is that when there is no scriptural proof this means other principals have to be applied and I have come to the conclusion that these things do not allways apply over all the weed smokers. I might or might not be speaking about my own situation too, but that is not the point. The point is that I have come to realize this over the years that I observed smokers...

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Ofcourse man had to search out the scriptures for themselves. Ofcourse man has to think for man's self. That's why I say, the church telling him that he is a sinner where he didn't think like that himself. He didn't read it in the Bible. When he read the Bible he didn't read anything that applied to his smoking herb. But churchical pressure can be very heavy and people can easily become dependant on the opinnion of others in this system. And when people believe it is a sin because the system makes them believe it is a sin, and they read "what is born of JAH can not sin", they might be finding themselves in a very serious situation.

Quote:

> What about "Man comes across LOZ or Dubroom or CoolPoet's websites and starts to pray and listen to God and asks for help on discussion boards. What would you then say to this man?

I would hopefully talk to him personally, by private email. When he would post something in a "pray for me" board. But here, in a discussion, I would "treat" his posting like a contribution in the discussion. That's just me, though....

Quote:

> If 10 people come out and say "God is great, keep listening and praying etc." that does not mean that everyone has jumped to conclusions without thinking. This is precisely why I kept my initial response to dreadedheart so short.

And I think my counter-weight helped placing everything in a better perspective too. I would not have written what I wrote when the replies were not there or when the replies would have been different. I realize, though, that I might treat this all more as a debate/discussion then some here.

Quote:

> I do recognize what you are saying though.

Seen.

Quote:

> I had a problem with my site earlier on that I did not state that I was a Christian or a Rasta and people questioned me about it constantly.

And I bet most of them were Christians that wanted to know how "acceptable" you are in their views. Unbelievable...
I draw a different audience I think. I also make it clear that I'm not into seperating Rastafari and Christianity.

Quote:

> I say it's a problem because if you don't stand for what you believe people can be influenced in the wrong way, especially those who are looking to sites like ours for answers.

I'm NOT into influencing people, with the expetion of that I'd like to

influence people to love DUB REGGAE. I'm into sharing my own thoughts, I'm into people thinking for themselves. I do receive a lot of mails from people who are happy that they found in my writings an expression of what was in their own thinking as well and they are happy that it is also written down somewhere on the Internet.

> **Quote:**
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> (I think the 3 of us have drained this thread of it's original topic!)

Eeehhh.....

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Location: england

Posted: 04 Feb 2004 18:50 Post subject: quote

excuse me, let me understand this...herbs healing of the nation.....how??? medicine uses extract from all kind of plants and herbs.....but where does a doctor prescibe his patient to smoke it????
isnt that the typical act of man...gratifying the flesh like going lapdancing looking at other people's woman..or in the case of them being single.

once again some topics only have one answer....to a believer in christ it can only be jesus as a healer for the nation...
and for a nonbeliever its a flesh reation....i find the whole topic funny...seriously how can one try to defend gunja smoking or pot taking...or whatever term you want to use.....all christians knows what thier spiritual leader would have to say on this matter.....its not a problem in the church...or is it????

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love the lord with all your heart and prove it aswell

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JAH SON

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Posts: 67
Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 05 Feb 2004 01:28 Post subject: quote

GOSPELKID: I HAVE A FRIEND WHO LIVES IN CALIFORNIA WHO WAS PERSCRIBED BY HIS DOCTOR TO SMOKE FOR HIS ANXIETY.

BOTTOM LINE: MAN HAS SMOKED CANNABIS SINCE ADAM AND GOD HASN'T SAID A DAM THING TO CURSE IT. ONLY BLESS. MAN CURSES IT. TO JUDGE ME FOR SMOKING WOULD BE LIKE ME JUDGING CHRISTIANS FOR LETTING WOMEN SPEAK IN CHURCHES WHEN THE BIBLE CLEARLY SPEAKS AGAINST IT.
WAS SITTING BULL DOING GOD'S WILL WHEN HE SMOKED AND DANCED ALL DAY AND NIGHT BEFORE HIS PEOPLE GOT MURDERED BY BABYLON? FOOLISH JUDGES.. JUDGE FOR YOURSELF WHETHER IT BE RIGHT TO JUDGE. WWJD? MAYBE NOT EXACTLY WHAT CAESARMINDTRICK-FED EVANGELISTICS ARE TRAINED TO.

2ND BOTTOM LINE: STOP BUYING WEED!!!! LIKE I SAID IN BABYLON'S TRICKE-DOWN SYSTEM, THE $$$ IS GOING RIGHT BACK TO THEM. LONG TIME THEY KNOW THIS AND THAT'S WHY THEY WOULD ARREST YOU IF YOU GROW IT YOURSELF. I WOULD CALL IT SHEER HYPOCRACY FOR THEM TO "LEGALLY" GROW IT BUT WE CAN'T. "GET UP, STAND UP! STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS!" I KNOW TO SOME OF YOU GROOMED HERE IN BABYLON, EARTH MATTERS DON'T MATTER TO YOU, BUT THEY DO TO GOD. (REAL LOVE)

MAY GOD ALMIGHTY BLESS YOU(I&I) TO BE FREE FROM THE ADDICTIVE CHAINS OF BABYLON'S WEED, IN THE NAME OF THE TRUE CHRIST.

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Posted: 05 Feb 2004 01:48 Post subject: quote

I think that it is quite likely that Babylon may have played the ultimate trick on you!!! How? He has convinced you to slowly kill your intellignce level off by killing brain cells. This is exactly like the KKK supporting gang violence. Less Brain cells= Less Brain washing needed to control a generation of pot heads.

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BLAMINACK: I AM NOT YOUR ENEMY. BABYLON HAS NO ULTIMATE ANYTHING. EVERYTHING I SAID IS TRUTH.

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You seem to misunderstand the entire point of what I just said. I am not by any means attacking you! Look here is the idea that I am trying to convey...

Satan/Babylon IS or enemy. Put your thinking cap on for just a second. If you were him would you not do anything that you could to discredit the enemy and his destroy his resources? You would do your best to take out the enemies best leaders and thinkers. That way the total effectiveness of the enemy is greatly reduced.

Now you as a person who is fighting down Babylon have taken up an issue that will make the rest of your stand seem foolish and silly. Is Ganja use and the politics around it the best use of your brain? First it totally diminishes the place that held credibility. When you cry out about injustice and violence and the lack of morals and education and crime and hatred, you are totally right! But when you add Ganja use to that you become like P.E.T.A. because of the silliness of the stand that they take. Why? It is because you give up thinking power to Ganja. You give up ground in the legitimate fight to push brain clouding stroking of the flesh.

The reality is that Rasta are being dumbed down by Babylon by the use of mind altering substances. Think about this for just a second. Look at this is the military sense. If your enemy is out to get you wouldn't you want him high?

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Posted: 05 Feb 2004 14:32 Post subject:

Ganja is not from babylon. babylon wants to fight ganja, wants to keep it illegal too. Another thing is that ganja PREVENTS brain tumors.

What's the big deal in trying to make ganja allways so bad?
Why?

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Posted: 05 Feb 2004 18:46 Post subject:

Prevents Brain tumours? Odd. So a Ganja smoker is not at risk for Brain Cancer but Lung Cancer is acceptable?

Ganja not from Babylon? Really? They have so many convinced that they are rebelling against the system by smoking it but then they play right in to Babylons hands by ending up in jail. Do you see what is going on here? They say that they are against it but if Babylon is anything like Rasta describe they are using it to take Rasta message off the street and out of the ears of the people. Wake up to the reality that This system is entrenched deeper than you think!!!!! They have convinced Rasta to smoke it and punish them for doing so. Taking soldiers off the battlefield, leaving nothing but silence! Who wins that war? Babylon. So I suggest any one playing into the Plan to Destroy you by smoking Ganja stop!!!!!!!! You are aiding and abeding your enemy with out even knowing it! This is trickery. I hope that some will wake up from the haze and begin to see that you have been played! They have used reverse phsycology on you. Look down on your shirt and see if you see the word pawn written somewhere....

See Rasta is much better for Babylon under their control. Sitting in a jail cell or smoked out so that their thinking is hindered, or sick because of the side effects is right where they want you to be. You

have been played!!!!

The US gov. is widely known for importing Crack into the Ghettos. Why? Money and control! They have dumbed down the whole community and put the future in jail. Have they not done the same with Weed? WAKE UP!! YOU HAVE BEEN PLAYED! You know the most ironic thing is that Rasta is feeling like they are rebelling against Babylon by the smoking! They silence your voice with this mind control. They are corrupting your children while you aren't looking. Teaching them all manner of wickedness while the focus is on legalising weed.... PLAYED!!!!!!

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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 05 Feb 2004 18:59 Post subject: quote

This is a newpaper article from my home town that shows what I mean...

Remeber we are talking about the Babylon system using Ganja use...

http://www.newsherald.com/archive/local/ar010698.htm

Folks say that is why it should be legalized. And stop this flow of cash to the Goverment? Are you really thinking that is going to happen? Get real. They control the price. Access. And punish the ones who use it! For Babylon this is a win win deal. Think about this. It is legal in some places? Sure, that just makes the cry louder while they teach homosexuality to the kids. Just this week Maryland with improper use of the Court System is trying to make it legal to live as a Sodomite! Brothers listen, Ganja is the bait that is on the hook. While they dumb down the next generation, to willingly accept all manner of wickedness.

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 05 Feb 2004 19:06 Post subject: quote

have little time now, got to do some things

> **blaminack wrote:**
>
> Prevents Brain tumours? Odd. So a Ganja smoker is not at risk for Brain Cancer but Lung Cancer is acceptable?

> **Quote:**
>
> Ganja not from Babylon? Really? They have so many convinced that they are rebelling against the system by smoking it but then they play right in to Babylons hands by ending up in jail. Do you see what is going on here?

Better then you, I think. Better then you. Yeah, babylon like to jail the ganja smoker. SO that is why smoking it is rebelling against their system. Or would you say that the anti ganja laws are good? If you think so, take a look at some documentastion on this phoney war on drugs.

http://www.vpro.nl/rmstreams.db?7273010
http://www.vpro.nl/rmstreams.db?7273012

> **Quote:**
>
> if Babylon is anything like Rasta describe

The Rasta description of babylon is no different then the biblical description is no different then the researchers.

> **Quote:**
>
> The US gov. is widely known for importing Crack into the Ghettos. Why? Money and control! They have dumbed down the whole community and put the future in jail. Have they not done the same with Weed? WAKE UP!!

The gov't brings in the crack, sure. But the weed is different then the crack and yes I know that they also bring in weed, but the answer is to decriminalize herb now.

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http://www.dutch-passion.nl/news/2000/November/USA-Black%20arrests%202x%20White

The stats PROVE EXACTLY WHAT I AM SAYING!!!!!!!!!!!! Legalization is not going to happen here! Why? Babylon is using this to hinder the Black man! But Rasta is helping them unaware of the facts. They say stop fighting down the Ganja bush, but why would they? They got you hooked and now are throwing you in jail at twice the rate of white men. Look, I am a white man, and I hate what this is doing to my Brothers. So why do they not just say OK I am not gonna be a pawn in your system anymore? I will not take being treated as a pawn of the system! I will succed with out your help! That brings up the idea of Affirmative Action. Black men ARE smart enough to succed with out Babylons help. The Gov. created the ghetto and the whole system around it. Rastas complain about it while doing the very things that makes them pawns to this system. Black Pride will go around this system and say I do not need the help of your Welfare Checks. Your addictions to drugs and Weed so that I end up in jail. I will not accept your help to succed! I will do it my self with the support of God. Please do not continue to believe lies. Surely some are going to say now that Blaminack is racist. If you do it would be a lie and you know it. Black Pride will say what I am saying. If folks continue to play the Babylon established role for you what do you expect?

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Why should they legalize it? They have you where they want you (In general!) Why would they really, if Rasta is a threat to the system? They play into the plan by going along instead of rejecting it.

What you are saying is EXACTLY THIS...

I will be a Government slave just to prove that they cannot beat me.

Will legalizing take away the disparity? No. Why? Folks are still playing the game.

Your answers on this prove my point. They have used reverse psychology on you. Don't take this poison cause if you do you will go to jail. You say no I won't stop taking it because you say so! I will take it and rebel against you. Dude if the intent is to put you in jail and control you did you not submit? And you still lose because you took the poison.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 05 Feb 2004 19:20 Post subject: quote No I don't say the tool being used to destroy the Black Community is good, but I DO ASK why do they play along? Is it the law that is to problem or the fact that people are not making the choice to to stay away from the whole game. The Black youth Rasta or not doesn't get stuck in poverty caused by this. He doesn't waste his life in a cell. He doesn't have a probation officer haunting him. Jetze this is common sense. Stop taking part and Babylon loses!
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JAH SON Joined: 01 Nov 2003 Posts: 67 Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH	Posted: 05 Feb 2004 22:41 Post subject: quote

BLAMINACK & DREAD: I SEE NOW WHAT BLAMINACK IS SAYING. YOU ARE RIGHT IN THAT BABYLON DOES HAVE CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT WEED. I AM COMPLETELY AWARE OF THIS. BABYLON *IS* OUR ENEMY. TO ME IT SEEMS LIKE WE ARE ON THE SAME SIDE.

I AM A NATURAL HERBALIST, A FARMER, AND SO WERE MANY OF MY ANCESTORS.

I AM NOT FREE BECAUSE I CAN'T EVEN GROW MY OWN HEMP, A PLANT THAT GROWS EVERYWHERE AND *THEY EVEN GROW IT COMMERCIALLY THEMSELVES*. CAN YOU SEE THE INJUSTICE IN THIS? BASICALLY WHAT I AM SAYING IS TWO THINGS:

1) BY DOWNPRESSING JAH'S HERB WHICH WAS GIVEN FREELY, BABYLON *IS* MASSIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO THE IMBALANCE IN JAH'S NATURE. (HERB IS UNIVERSAL - "ALL THE EARTH")

2) **WE CAN LEGALIZE IT** FOR ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE WITH GOD.

I DISAGREE WITH:

Quote:

> Now you as a person who is fighting down Babylon have taken up an issue that will make the rest of your stand seem foolish and silly. Is Ganja use and the politics around it the best use of your brain? First it totally diminishes the place that held credibility. When you cry out about injustice and violence and the lack of morals and education and crime and hatred, you are totally right! But when you add Ganja use to that you become like P.E.T.A. because of the silliness of the stand that they take. Why? It is because you give up thinking power to Ganja. You give up ground in the legitimate fight to push brain clouding stroking of the flesh.

THERE IS NOTHING FOOLISH OR SILLY ABOUT THIS, MAN. OBVIOUSLY YOU CAN SEE THEIR SPELL. THIS IS A PART OF WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING AGAINST AS WRITTEN IN EPHESIANS 6 AND AS YOU QUOTED IN 1CORINTHIANS 10!

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JAH SON

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Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 05 Feb 2004 22:42 Post subject: quote

SEEN?

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warrior
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Posts: 420
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Posted: 05 Feb 2004 23:56 Post subject: quote

JAH SON,
I was approved/prescribed by TWO different doctors and I grew/smoked legally. SO WHAT!!! I still have to fight off all other aspects of babylon!!!!

You are saying that legalizing weed is the answer to the problems we face against the babylonian sytem. WRONG!
Ask Jetze! Do you think that because weed is legal where he lives that babylon now has no control in his country? It is about fighting the WHOLE system of babylon and all it's injustice. Weed is in no way going to fix the age old problem that GOD'S people have with babylon. This struggle will not be over until CHRIST comes to rule!!!!

You can not find ANY scripture which say that weed and it's many uses will heal the nations and/or put an end to babylon. So where do you get your reasoning from???? If not from the bible then it is no reasoning at all!

The scriptures you first posted in no way say that weed will heal the nations. And in no way does it say that we will fight satan and his system by the use or growing of weed!!!

Address these issues without giving another song and dance about your private use of hemp and the personal feelings you have. Where is your biblical proof????

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 02:24 Post subject: quote

Jah Son,

I am glad that you seem to get part of what I am saying, but I think that you are missing the greater point.

I would like to look at 4 black leaders and what they taught and the consequences, of their teachings....

Malcom X, potent black leader whose message was for black men and women to be free from the chains that the west has put on them. He claimed that he was at one time a Marijuana addict. Firmly opposed it's use...

SHOT AND KILLED.... Was this part of the Babylon System silencing a black man that wanted to free black youth from weed and alcohol and other oppressing substances.

Martin Luther King.... Taught the folks needed to be free from mental slavery. He taught a way of purity and righteousness. Black men needed to be equal...

SHOT AND KILLED..... Did Babylon kill him in part because he wanted black men to live up to a higer standard?

Jesse Jackson... Teaches that black men must receive entitlements from the Goverment. He tells black men that they are victims and need to be compensated.

ALIVE AND WELL.... Babylon loves this guy!!! HE even ran for President!!

Louis Farakhan.... Teaches a message of hate and division. Hates Christian faith, hates Jews. Hates bleck men you don't agree.

ALIVE AND WELL.... he keeps black men angry and divided from each other. Babylon loves this!

What am I getting at here? The ones that taught Black men about not being bound by drugs, alcohol and weed, premarital sex etc. about freedom, and equality were killed .

The ones that help Babylon by making men into slaves are given good

treatment today...

The ones that Babylon killed were the ones that were a threat to marijuana use and mental slavery by black men...

Think about it.

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 03:00 Post subject: quote

i KNOW WHAT YOU ARE SAYING BUT YOU DO NOT QUESTION BABYLON'S POLITICS ON THE WAR ON DRUGS.
Oops, caps on. disregard caps an treat like normkal text please

Why shouldn't the herb be legalized? Why should babylon be able to keep people down? It has a racist philosophy propagenda behind it even.

Yes, I live in a place where it is legal. No it is not Zion. Yes it is WAY MUCH BETTER THEN IN THE USA. You don't buy your herb from the heroin dealer, seen? I HATE hard drugs and I consider mushrooms, xtc and all that crap hard drugs. I HATE the hard drugs dealer business too. So why are you going along with babylon is putting ganja on the same pile as hard drugs and not question the alcohol?

What do you think about the drugs policy in your country, bill?

Amnd have you ever seen the two movies i linked too? What do you think? This was broadcasyted on dutch national TV and this is how we in nl see the usa policy!

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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 03:35 Post subject: quote

The last five or six posts are my opinion of the drug policy in the US. I have given MUCH to think about as to why not to smoke and why it will NEVER be legal here. They are making too much money off of keeping it illegal. See the simple thing that just doesn't occur to many who smoke that IF there was no demand there would be none brought in. The Gov understands these simple economics. They use black men and women and about 50% less of that number of white folks. They are USING these people. See that is the point! They do not HAVE to play the game. They don't have to stoop to the level of the Babylon stereotype. You know Jetze I may have been totally wrong about the quote from the 30's that you brought up. I am begining to see the truth to what was said in it.

PEOPLE ARE BUYING INTO THE GAME BY USING THE PRODUCT!!!! Stop smoking. They are diminishing your mental capacity. You see Black youth shouting about the liquor stores in their community and the Pawn Shops, and the lack of education and the crime involved in this yet they are not quitting the consumption of the products! Yes I will always lump weed into this. Show me one Crystal Meth user who doesn't smoke weed when given the chance. Show me one heroin addict that did start with weed. See the whole thing that seems to not get through is that we all have the choice not to use the products that Babylon is using to keep Black Men slaves. Do they support BET? I am wondering this because BET rarely shows the truth of the PIMP Game. They never show the broken homes caused by the young black men being in jail because he played the game in Babylon. Brother please do these men a service and show them that not using weed will keep them out of the Babylon system. Rebellion? Don't do that which keeps you enslaved! Using Ganja helps keep hundreds enslaved, in prison. The answer that the ones from the ones who are bound is to legalize it. The real answer is do not take part in the system of destroying the Black family....

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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 03:58 Post subject: quote

And oh yeah before I forget this whole thing is about questioning the Babylon system. They hate you and I. If they can enslave you they will. That is the entire point of what I am getting at here. They want people to be KEPT. If they cannot get them hooked on drugs, of some kind they will put you in jail. If they cannot do that, they just dumb you down. It is all about control. But see the answer is SO incredibly plain. Just don't take part. And if this doesn't seem like the real answer then Babylon is not what needs to be questioned, but your own intentions. You don't have to be a part of the stereotype that they use to write people off with.

It is too lucrative for them to stop, so why don't we? Just stay away from Ganja and get a better education. Stay away from their expectations and you are not their slave. We now have people that are so institutionalized they are better off in prison, because they cannot cope out of that structure. They have turned them into house slaves. Why? Because that is what Babylon wants for us all. Do not play the game and you are free. Free to think. Free to live. Free to serve God. Free to have a future.

Why is there poverty in the Ghetto? Because Babylon has hooked the youth on Weed, alcohol, drugs. It has told them that they cannot live with out the Gov.s help. It takes the ones involved with the drugs and weed that they provide and locks them in jail. That takes away the fathers of the children, that takes away the leadership. That takes away the discipline to work hard. They are raised women who have to work to put food on the table, that takes away the supervision. That leaves opportunity to go and get involved in the the things that started this whole cycle in the first place. It leaves broken homes, pregnant teens and poverty. I know that this is SUPER simplified, but it is truth. Oh and what happens to the men when they get out of jail? They are middle aged and broken. Their live has been taken. They have a record of crime and cannot get a job. So they sit on the front porch drinking.....this is death. This is EVIL. This is hatred. This is the effects of not just Babylons tactics, but US allowing it by taking part. Is this not the truth? I love all men. I hate this system. I want it torn down and these that are oppressed lifted up. Babylon loves this. Why? Because these men and women are controled. People just don't have to take a part in it. That is the tragedy of this. We CHOOSE it. Yes this same thing happens to white folks too. Babylon has this down to an artform. Ganja the healing of the Nations? That thought makes my stomach hurt.

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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 04:04 Post subject:

Should it be legal? No. That would be the equal to Physican Assisted Suicide. That is not happening where you live? Really? What has happened to the Culture? Your country is known for legalised anything... See the problem is a slippery slope. It is starting here too. They are talking about making gay marriage legal, that opens the door for polygamy and bestiality, and anything else. Why? Because where can you stop when you start down that road of taking away the foundation of the Law? Along with weed comes heroin, and acid and coke.... you cannot legally stop once you start down that line.

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
Rom 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

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Jetze,

See what you are saying about the "Should and could" but what is the point of that discussion when we have to deal with the present of the now. The fact is that there is THIS system in place. The real chances of it changing are slim.

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Posted: 06 Feb 2004 18:24 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> Jetze,
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> See what you are saying about the "Should and could"

Cool.

Quote:

> but what is the point of that discussion when we have to deal with the present of the now.

I know this is in your mind set. You agree with babylon that ganja should be illegal. You give all kinds of argumentation as to why it shouldn't be smoked, summarized in: "babylon does wicked things to you because babylon forbids the weed". I would say there is something very very strange going on here.

There is not only a point, but a giant dot in that discussion. Babylon must fall, or are you one of these people who are sitting on the bus stop to zion, waiting for the rapture to take you out of here? How can you agree with that wicked system that keeps black people down? Can't you see that babylon loses the power over people when ganja is decriminalized? Why do you support babylon in this?

Quote:

> The fact is that there is THIS system in place. The real chances of it changing are slim.

Yeah, when they are all like you, they are slim. The system must fall. JAH no like it. JAH is more important then the system. JAH is going to burn it down with fire and you say the chances for changes are slim? I say the chances for babylon are slim. And we got to be strong and stand for TRUTH RIGHT LOVE AND LIBERTY and if we let the tyrants do whast they want to do we asre guilty of maintaonong the system.

I am DREAD serious in this.

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No you STILL do not get it! I don't agree with the system. I hate the system, but my manner of dealing with it is uplifting and practical whereas yours but young black men at risk while it is still here. What is the loving answer here? Yes go on and smoke weed (Which does benifit Babylon and it's purpose for Black men Greatly!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! And the articles I offered totally prove how they benifit) Or hey Babylon is out to get you. Staying away from the plan to destroy you is going to keep you out of their control. Don't smoke! I hate babylon and it's tactics and what it is doing, maybe you have over looked that in my past 10 posts some how. Your way says DO what they say they don't want for you to do, but they love it when you do it. My way says deny Babylon the satisfaction of destroying your life. Don't smoke and they lose all the revenue that you are generating for them. My plan works at bringing it to a stop, yours helps the youth become enslaved in some justification of rebellion so called. Rebellion is BREAKING OUT OF THE ESTABLISHED stereotype. Yet you are allowing youth to play along with the stereotype that Babylon expects from them.... So again tell me how smoking weed Bun Dung Babylon? I deny them the money and the souls of the youth. You make them players in the game.... I am not directing this at you as a person but the position that you take.

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Location: norcal

Posted: 07 Feb 2004 00:05 Post subject: quote

well said blaminack,
you stand up for your self well and always do it lovingly.

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"zion train is coming our way"

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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 07 Feb 2004 01:51 Post subject: quote

okay.. a older lady at my job gave me this book about the many different herbs that exist and could it be that this whole issue of "herb being the healing" be taken out of context?

In this book it details the uses of all the household herbs that we use, as well and their uses in food and in medicine. Ranging from Oregano, basil, bay leaf, etc, etc. The book also pointed out that some of these herbs had halucenogenic results if used inappropriately as well. Eg: cloves. There is nothing inadvertedly wrong with cannabis sativa and this plant has been studied to the root for its many uses. Yet it AND several other herbs and plants such as the extract from Orchids are smoked and are harmful. (The movie Adaptation) If you grabbed a handful of plain old Grass in your hand and stuck it in a pipe and smoked it saying "herb is for the healing" you are using it out of context. I believe that God gave us these plants for good use and they should not be illegal but they are for reasons already said.

The statement still stands that herb can be and probably should be the healing of the nation: Natural medicine versus man made drugs. This is why we have health food stores all over the world right???

(has this been said before?)

One more thing: I also fault some Rasta's for mixing tobacco in their pipes to even out the harshness of the taste. It goes against their own set principles of not smoking cigarettes.

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blaminack wrote:

> No you STILL do not get it! I don't agree with the system. I hate the system, but my manner of dealing with it is uplifting and practical whereas yours but young black men at risk while it is still here..

Okay. Let me summarize you. Just to check if I get it this time. The "but" in the quoted sentence should be "put", right?

You say that because babylon uses the prohibition it is best not to smoke, yet you agree with babylon that it is prohibited, right? When you agree with the prohibition or not, this is regardless whether you smoke or not.

I say people should be able to make their choice. Also drugs should be legalized for the simple reason most criminality will be gone.

There is only one reason why babylon keeps drugs illegal while she ships in the drugs in the same time: it is used as a means of control. When drugs are legalized babylon loses this power and people will actually haver the chance to make sometrhing of their life.

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Posted: 07 Feb 2004 15:24 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

You are aimply missing the point. You seem to not understand that there could be great freedom in life with out the need to smoke. That is where we fundementaly differ.

I, and most folks I know have freedom FROM Ganja and would never think that freedom to smoke is a good idea.

The deal with Babylon is one of simple economics. It is all supply and demand. They won't legalize it here because the prohibition is too lucrative.

As a matter of fact there is a move to criminalize tobbaco...

The only way to defeat Babylon under the current system is to stay away from from Ganja.

You still think that Babylon really doesn't want you to smoke... You are still not getting the reverse psychology involved. Ok I'll cover this one more time.

They say don't but really mean do it! Here is why....

It keeps young men who are potenial leaders in jail.
It keeps homes of young black folks broken.
It dumbs down these same people so that they cannot succed in the social areas of life.
It keeps them poor and dependant on Gov. programs.
Essentially it makes them slaves...

This is simple economics. They are trying to destroy and control...

Your answer is to legalize, whice is foolsih because there is a REAL slippery slop involved in decriminalizing things. When you start you cannot stop. Before long anything goes. They say ok marijuana today but tommorow Heroin and anyother destructive substance...

This is PLAINLY seen in the example of abortion and it's effect on us... Now they are pushing for Pysician assisted suicide. There was a case of a teenager that killed his and his girlfriends baby as soon as it was born. They got away with it on the basis that they said they were trying to perform an abortion... They instead of recieving a Murder conviction receive a Practicing Medicine without a liscence conviction. Now you are likely saying what does this have to do with legalizing weed? Because if you legalize weed you have to eventually legalize Date Rape drugs. THE VERY SAME ARGUMENTS APPLY TO ALL DRUGS NO MATTER HOW HARD OR SOFT. When you step across that line the is not place to stop...

THE ONLY WAY TO STAY AWAY FROM BABYLON'S INTENTION FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IS TO ABSTAIN!!!!

Just look at the area of sex in the USA.... What has happen to the teen pregnancy rates here since Babylon has started giving out condoms?

Did you know that in many places the teen pregnancy rate of black girls is twice the rate of white girls for the same area? Why is this? Is to lergly due to that same STAT that I gave earlier... Black men are convicted at twice the rate of whites... The leadership is being silenced!!!! The saddest part is for the largest extent that they could have choosen to stay away from Babylons plan of destruction, not smoking or playing a part in the game...

Oh and by the way teen pregnancy is one of the largest indicators of future poverty along with single parent homes... Both of which are created by the Babylon system, that you will cry out against. How are you not? You want to let people continue (legally) in the same things that got them to this place. The ONLY MORAL thing to do is to cry out for people to stop. Leave Babylon stuck in it's own plan.... Do you know that my way of looking at this totally leaves Babylon broke? It is a matter of economics. Can you imagine if Babylon had to lay off it's Drug enforcment personell because there was no more business? No more lifes being ruined. No more homes being broken.

The differance between you and I is one of Utopian dreams.... Unfortunatlly neither my plan nor yours will come to pass in our life times. But mine has the better hope...

Will people die if they stop smoking it? (From the change of course) Or will people likely die if they continue to smoke? From it's side effects

yes... legal and other wise.

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Posted: 07 Feb 2004 16:07 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> You are aimply missing the point.

No, I'm not. I have a different opinnion plus a different focus on what I consider to be really important. I consider liberty to be really important.

Quote:

> You seem to not understand that there could be great freedom in life with out the need to smoke. That is where we fundementaly differ.

No we don't. I am saying that I do not need babylon to tell me if it is okay for me to smoke or smoke not. You are saying babylon is in her right prohibiting the use of ganja.

Quote:

> I, and most folks I know have freedom FROM Ganja and would never think that freedom to smoke is a good idea.

And that is why you say the war on drugs is okay. You are actually endorsing it. By this you are willing to fascistically impose your opinnion on herb smoking on other people, because you support the war on drugs.

The freedom what you call freedom is double-speak. The freedom is only there when all the possibilities are there. But you are saying that babylon does not give the possibility to smoke (war on drugs) and you say that is good.

Quote:

> The deal with Babylon is one of simple economics. It is all supply and demand. They won't legalize it here because the prohibition is too lucrative.

And because many people actually buy the propaganda crap that comes with the war on drugs. If people would take action against tyranny (war on drugs is tyranny is fascism is communism) there would be liberty.

Quote:

> The only way to defeat Babylon under the current system is to stay away from from Ganja.

As I noticed the word "dung" is permitted here? Well, that is my answer: "dung". You do not defeat babylon system by not smoking herb and thus give yourself the **illusion** that they won't get **you**. You defeat babylon system by abolishing that system. By putting it away. Not by obeying the system.

Quote:

> Your answer is to legalize, whice is foolsih because there is a REAL slippery slop involved in decriminalizing things. When you start you cannot stop. Before long anything goes. They say ok marijuana today but tommorow Heroin and anyother destructive substance...

Ofcourse it is better to legalize all drugs. What cause the absolute majority of "crimes"? Who are the most in the population of the privatized jail industry? It's all black people and it's all related to drugs. This must be stopped.

When drugs are legal, the mafia will not have the profit they have now. The criomes will not be there either. Addicts can focus on trying to get their lifes somewhat straight. Black People do not have to fear that everytime druygs is planted in their houses. That police comes and scare the dung out of little children with big dogs.

Drugs causes problems. Most of these problems are related to the fact that the prohibition is there. And being used very selectively, I might add. The other problems are related to social, psychological and that kind of circumstances.

Quote:

> THE ONLY WAY TO STAY AWAY FROM BABYLON'S INTENTION FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IS TO ABSTAIN!!!!

You also say, that by not smoking herb you give babylon no reason to get you. That is ofcourse absurd. If they can not get you on herb charges, they will get you on others. Your own line of thinking....

Quote:

> The differance between you and I is one of Utopian dreams.... Unfortunatlly neither my plan nor yours will come to pass in our life times. But mine has the better hope...

I say that babylon will fall and Jah Jah will rule physically. I call that PROPHECY. You call it Utopia, I call it JUSTICE! I do not endorse the war on drugs, it is criminal. No christian should support it because it goes against everything that JAH JAH teaches us: liberty, love and justice!

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Posted: 07 Feb 2004 18:05 Post subject:

quote

So what you are saying is the when Jah returns we are all gonna be sitting around doing drugs? Come on. Your system IS oppression not freedom. Your thinking on this is muddied by the anything goes culture of the World. Think about the saying of Alister Crowley.... Do as thou wilt. Why do you endorse this point of view with this so called Libertarian Propaganda? Jetze freedom is not the ability to choose death! It is the ability to choose life. Are not the ones that want to smoke already doing it? YES! But they are pawns in this Babylon system. You have wrongly accused me of buying into this system but it is you who have been fooled by not shunning the worldly ways of these last days. Smoking Ganja is freedom?

I say tear down Babylon by not being pawns... you say tear it down by playing a part in their plan... Go figure.

When Christ returns will there be Heroin addicts in that kingdom who will not repent? Niether will there be weed smokers who will not repent.

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Posted: 07 Feb 2004 22:39 Post subject: quote

I haven't been following this so closely lately, but if I may interject, I think we must be careful in how we discern what is JAH's will for us. Through the threads on this topic one can easily see that the hazards and detriments of smoking ganja far outweigh any benefits. You don't have to look far to see how much "freedom" has been abused and where the very exercise of this supposed freedom brings slavery.

I think Bill is absolutely right. And Jetze, I am not saying this simply because Bill's argument lines up with mine. To abstain from smoking ganja is the best thing anyone can do. There are so many traps that one can fall into- and many are set by the Babylon system. I can see it very clearly. Look at what coporations proudly present as the image of commercial hip-hop and even the bigger players in commercial reggae music- it's about fashion styles, profanity, slackness, drinking 40's, smoking weed (including blunts) and MANY PLAY RIGHT INTO IT. Of course- it looks cool so why not? And smoking weed is a major part of this lie that it is being bought and sold.

Look at the stigma of the dreadlocks Rasta...smoking a spliff. It's become a caricature. Is that what people want to be known for? Come on now. Just because some governments make it illegal does not make mean TO DO IT is working against the corrupted system. Smoking weed is just a part of the image which has been portrayed to opress primarily black people and yet some just play right into the set-up which the adversary has created to destroy people.

Through all the discussions- and I have tried to read everything carefully, I find arguments "for" smoking ganja to be very weak. Not that very good points haven't been made and not that Jetze (in particular) hasn't put a lot of thought and time into this but I just can't sit here when I weigh everything and tell someone that smoking ganja is good, should be allowed or whatever. In fact, the more I see and the more I think my feeling is quite the opposite.

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I really and truly think that the whole subject boils down to these few verses for the Christian...

1Jo 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Rom 8:3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
Rom 8:4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
Rom 8:5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.
Rom 8:6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.
Rom 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
Rom 8:8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

At it's very highest use that anyone has given in consumption in any form Ganja is the popular thing of the world today. It caters to the flesh. The Spirit profits nothing from it's use.

Even if it is not sin, the fact that the secular and worldy are in love with it tells me that I should have nothing to do with it...

Gal 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
Gal 5:17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
Gal 5:18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.
Gal 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
Gal 5:20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
Gal 5:21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

We have covered the Spiritual nature of this topic in another thread but this is starting to merge into what is the Biblical approach for the Christian.

So many will that I am just trying to fight down Herb... Hogwash! I am trying to lift people out of the snare that Babylon has people in.

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Posted: 08 Feb 2004 04:36 Post subject:

quote

Quote:

> So what you are saying is the when Jah returns we are all gonna be sitting around doing drugs?

No, I am saying that when JAH comes I don't want to be busy maintaining the very system that He''s going to destroy by bringing up all kinds of reverse reasoning to make people think that by not smoking they are actually fighting against babylon because then babylon supposedly can't put them in jail.

And why can't you make a differentiation between a plea for decriminalization of ganja and other drugs and excuses to actually smoke?

I am not like that. I am not trying to find justifying reasonings for people to smoke herb. I am stating my opinnion which is based on argumentation that I have researched in books, in reality and in myself. I made for myself a conclusion whether to smoke or not. But I made this choice in freedom, not caused by problems created by the very system that you claim to hate.

Quote:

> Think about the saying of Alister Crowley.... Do as thou wilt.

Remember, you are speaking about my opinnion that it is better to legalize drus and that it is not allways a sin for all to smoke. How can you compare that with this saying? do you actually know what he ment with this? the freedom to kill people, even children, especially children, after brutally and pervertated raping them first and I won't go further but for you to compare that with my opinnion is out of context to say it polite.

Quote:

> You have wrongly accused me of buying into this system but it is you who have been fooled by not shunning the worldly ways of these last days

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You ARE buying the system cause you see use in the war on drugs cause it keeps some people from smoking and you take the "side effects" for granted. For you it is more important that someone does not smoke then that there are ma\ny in prisons that should not be in prisons. And you can see me in the grand last days delusion but I think you are making some serious mistakes in your reasoning.

Quote:

> Smoking Ganja is freedom?

I never said that. I said people should have the opportunity to FREELY choose (not) to smoke it. You don't want people to have that choice. Appearantly you are not so sure that people are actually mature enough to choose. Appearantly you do not find it a big deal, the war on drugs.

If JAH seh that ganja is a sin, then we do not need no babylon law to say us that. We can find this out by simply growing up in Christ. This for you does not count, you count on the dungstem to do that job. Appearantly you don't know the power of Christ. Or you are not satisfied with the number of people that no longer smoke weed because they believe it to be a sin.

Quote:

> I say tear down Babylon by not being pawns... you say tear it down by playing a part in their plan... Go figure.

Yeah, playing the part by smoking herb in order to become a perfect target for being the next victim in the war on drugs. I know what you are saying. Why don't you tell the system to back off? What do you do to tear down babylon anyway? A few posting ago you aid there is nothing to do since it is all going to stay the same anyway.

You can just not imagine that JAH is not so against weed as you are. And because you can not imagine it you support all efforts to downpress the people.

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I didn't say that I support any oppression. You never asked me what I think the consequences should be for smoking/possesing weed. You asked if I think it should be illegal. Yes I do. It is harmful. Do I support the war on drugs? No. Do I think it shouldbe illegal? Yes...

I think speeding in your car on the highway is and should be illegal. Do I think that some one should go to jail over it? Only if the case is extreme enough to warrant it. You have read WAY too much into what you think my opinion is.

Alister Crowley's quote? It has nothing to do with you but it totally applys to the libertine way of thinking because any law or rule that you set after a decriminaliztion of something is an imaginary line that will fall under scrutiny. Example given in the case of the teen who killed his baby and got off with practicing medicine with out a license.

Making a thing legal after it is illegal is promotion of it's use.

What am I doing to tear down Babylon? This very thread is smashing some serious lies that Babylon has spread.

I NEVER said to do nothing until Jah comes! That is totally out of context. I say do everything that is right to tear it down. But you and I both know it will only be dead after Christ returns. That is plain to see.

Are really serious about the idea that Jah is not upset with ganja abuse? That would make Him quite an unloving God. I hope that you don't see Him with such lack of compassion. How could I be more loving that Love it's self? That doesn't even make sense.

And I support NO downpression and that is exactly why I say for people never to start smoking in the first place.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 08 Feb 2004 12:11 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> I didn't say that I support any oppression. You never asked me what I think the consequences should be for smoking/possesing weed.

No, because the very idea of having someone decide to make someone else have a penalty or fine over something this someone doesn't like is totally beyond my way of thinking.

Quote:

> You asked if I think it should be illegal. Yes I do. It is harmful. Do I support the war on drugs? No. Do I think it shouldbe illegal? Yes...

You only want the prisons half full then? Or do you want those evil weed smokers in a correction institute? Or should they just pay the policeman that captures them a fine (that poor people cannot pay and thus will also get them in prison while the elite can use it freely) so the policeman can buy his next car? Cause that is what happens in the war on drugs: police are bandits and they can legally rob everyone as long as they say they think the stuff they want to rob would be used for "drug related activities".

Quote:

> I think speeding in your car on the highway is and should be illegal. Do I think that some one should go to jail over it? Only if the case is extreme enough to warrant it. You have read WAY too much into what you think my opinion is.

I think that you do not realize how far the consequences are that come with your opinnion. The point is that the very illegality of the drugs enables the government to use this prohibition as an act of tyranny. I hope you admit this. Now you must take the consequence. Keeping it illegal will create allways a gov't that declares a "war on drugs". Natural fact. Like you allways like to draw attention to possible consequences of smoking herb you must now take that principal and applie it to yourself and face the consequences of any prohibition.

Quote:

> Making a thing legal after it is illegal is promotion of it's use.

What an absurd reasoning. You must be for prohibition of alcohol and tobacco too, then. Totally ignoring the consequences of this power that you give the gov't over one's life by being against it. When your opinnion is that something should be illegal it is not only an opinnion about the sibstancxe, it is also an opinnion about politics. When you say a thing should be illegal you are saying that the government is the "person" to "deal" with that issue in a "judicial context", can you feel me here?

Legalizing drugs, in your mind set I would say, make the war on drugs illegal.

Quote:

> What am I doing to tear down Babylon? This very thread is smashing some serious lies that Babylon has spread.

This very thread is only to tear down the herb smokers again. That is what matters here. Even when someone comes here and says that hemp can be very benificial for the economy this is being "teared down" as a "babylon lie". Come on.

Quote:

> I NEVER said to do nothing until Jah comes! That is totally out of context. I say do everything that is right to tear it down. But you and I both know it will only be dead after Christ returns. That is plain to see.

You are stating that the system won't change and that we have to face that.... Okay so you might not indicate with that that you don't want to do anything. Apologise. The things you do propose are obviously not recognized by me as things to tear down babylon system.

If you want the system changed, you must change the system. So in this war on drugs context, change the downpression by making the war on drugs illegal. If you demand people to obey the law you are doing not one thing to tear down babylon, you are only telling the people to comply with tyranny.

It is my hope that I will see the day that JAH tears down babylon for good but I do not know if that will be in my time. Let's take it to the 1940's. If everyone would have your stance, no one would have resisted against the tyranny and it would still be here under this form.

We are not told to wait until JAH tears down babylon and until that time we have to support it under some kind of "Romans 13 reasoning". We are told to stand up for freedom equality and justice. We are told to hold babylon back. To be the salting salt (salt conserves and prevents decay) in the world.

> **Quote:**
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> Are really serious about the idea that Jah is not upset with ganja abuse? That would make Him quite an unloving God. I hope that you don't see Him with such lack of compassion. How could I be more loving that Love it's self? That doesn't even make sense.

I know I make much spelling mistakes and I really should check what i write before i hit post, but i am very sure that i never said JAH like ganja abuse. I spoke about ganja use all the time. Not about abuse. I also think that you do not solve ganja abuse by having a war on drugs, watered down or not. Ganja abuse is not solved in prison or by paying extra tax to the government (fine). You speak about love in this context. Is the prohibition JAH love? No it is only a reason for babylon to keep people down. And that is why this has to be changed. The mere illegality of ganja creates all these problems that you say are caused by ganja itself. That is the babylonian lie.

Also the ghetto's are not there because all of them use drugs, it is the other way around. Keeping drugs illegal is equal to maintaining the situation in the ghetto.

Addicts must be able to get their drugs from a doctor, so they will not do crimes. It will no longer be interesting for dealers to sell hard drugs, for as soon as they have a new customer hooked they will go to the doctor. Addicts, when they get their drugs, then have the possibility to try to make something of their life, eventually abandoning their addiction.

Ganja should be legal because it doesn't do the damage that alcohol does, and alcohol is not forbidden by JAH. People are actually enjoying it, not causing or getting into troubles either. So why must they hide?

> **Quote:**
>
> And I support NO downpression and that is exactly why I say for people never to start smoking in the first place.

That's just a one-liner. Ganja doesn't downpress, the government downpresses and to stop downpression you have to stop the law that enables the government to practice tyranny.

What is more important: that ganja is illegal or that the government is putting tyranny on people and how would you relate THAT to your remarks concerning compassion and love from the Most High?

Name me one reason why the government, which is proven to be guilty of abusing every possibility they have to keep the people down, is the right "person" to "deal" with ganja? Why not let the people do it themselves?

Why do you not grant me the freedom to choose for myself if I want to smoke herb or not?

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Jetze,

will you admit if people were to stop doing drugs and smoking weed the war on Drugs would have to end do to lack of interest? If not then you must simply boil this down to I believe that weed is bad, and you think it is fine. We both have asked and answered all these questions... We have differant perspectives, and it a great thing that it is not just you and I in charge of the course of the World. I am thankful that God is in charge and I know that to be the case.

One of us will be shown to be right and the other wrong. You do your part and I will do the part that I feel God has lead me to.

I have no time to break this down any further. we both have said the same things for at least the last ten posts....

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Messian Dread quote:
Ganja should be legal because it doesn't do the damage that alcohol does, and alcohol is not forbidden by JAH. People are actually enjoying it, not causing or getting into troubles either. So why must they hide?

Where is the medical evidence to support your claim? Sure- ABUSING alcohol is harmful, but consumption of alcohol within the biblical parameters JAH has given us isn't harmful. On the contrary it is beneficial. Smoking, in any quantity is harmful. Smoke particles being deposited in the lungs is harmful. I believe anything which does this directly by its use should be avoided. I would appreciate some biblical support for smoking before further attempts are made to equate it with wine drinking or alcohol consumption in general. Aside from the physical health concerns- drinking a glass of wine versus smoking a spliff do not produce the same result. I say this based on the testimony of those who have used ganja. Could it be that supposed mental clarity that one seems to feel when smoking ganja is a delusional aspect of its consumption? I think it is much easier to stand against something which causes a more obvious impairment.

Also, I am not against HEMP production. I think it is wrong for governments to ban the growing and useage of hemp of the non-cannabis

(if that is the right term) variety. I believe hemp is a wonderfully resourceful plant. For years I have used a hemp oil product for bathing and shampooing and also have some clothing manufactured from hemp and these are excellent products. It is a shame and wrong to lump everything together with marijuana that is smoked.

Bottom line is I don't believe that smoking is a JAH intended practice. I think the origins of smoking may actually be among cultures who rejected Him though I haven't done research to prove it. It could have been established as part of rituals of nations or societies which served strange gods.

I think it's quite obvious that despite the knowledge that tobacco companies and the government had for years that smoking was responsible for many diseases and deaths- they continued to be work together to promote its use. Why? Because it put money in their pockets. Did they really care about whether or not people became addicted, got cancer or died prematurely. Now, after probably billions of dollars in lawsuits, the goverment is placing big taxes on smoking and is forcing the tobacco companies to create advertising to discourage people from smoking. This is kind of strange to me though. The government still allows tobacco companies to operate, advertise, manufacture cigarettes and sell them BUT they must tell the public that their products are deadly. (While out of the other side of their mouths saying "They are for your enjoyment and pleasure. ") It's probably true that if the gov't didn't make so much money from smoking they would ban it.

If governments didn't establish some restrictions there would be anarchy. So long as laws don't force us to transgress the commandements of our Father, we should comply with them. I don't think having a "free-for-all" society is a good idea. Ideally, everyone would be followers of Christ and would make decisions based on His desires but until He comes not everyone will be of this decision making motivation. Jetze, I understand what you are saying about giving people the freedom to choose for themselves. But what role should government play? I think government's role should be to uphold values, morals and principles which are biblically founded and should be led by the Holy Spirit. I understand that is idealistic and utopian, but I think that's what they should do. It would not support gay marriages and prostitution. I would think it would also not support casinos.

Legalisation of drugs is a trickier issue perhaps than many realize. Is

restriction of cocaine, heroin and marijuana because the government can't find a way to regulate them and make a profit or is it because they want to protect people from harmful effects of their use? I think ultimately it all comes down to pesonal choice anyway. For many, laws were made to be broken and only apply if you get caught. Perhaps it's not the government's role to ban these substances, but spend the money in "the war on drugs" on educating people about the hazards and promoting abstinence from drug use instead. Would this produce a much better result than what we've gotten so far? The subject is somewhat complex and must be carefully dissected. There needs to be a balance between maintaining an order of deceny for citizens and also allowing people to make choices for themselves.

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Posted: 09 Feb 2004 00:08 Post subject: quote

wow its blown out of porpotion....what amazes me is when people answer to points that people make they should read and understand carefully before responding....i refferred to smoking.....if the doctor prescribed his patient to smoke gunja then it is extremely unorthodox..what would the medical council have to say...i was speaking in general...there is always an exception to the rule...

how many doctors would prescribe thier patients to smoke pot???
remember this is a question not a statement....read what i type and see if they are questions or staements,,
statements should be backed up by facts...love u all

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love the lord with all your heart and prove it aswell

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mikeroots wrote:

> Messian Dread quote:
> **Ganja should be legal because it doesn't do the damage that alcohol does, and alcohol is not forbidden by JAH. People are actually enjoying it, not causing or getting into troubles either. So why must they hide?**
>
> Where is the medical evidence to support your claim?

In the lack of ganja deaths vs the huge amount of alcohol deaths, for example. Despite the fact alcohol is legal.

In the lack of stupidity that is present when one drinks a lot vs the thoughtfullness that can be there when smoked ganja, to name another aspect.

You allways raise these health stuff. Allways the smoking you say is wrong, but you do not speak about tea or when you do you say you have not a clear opinnion.

OK, but our discussion should be: can a christian do something which is labeled unhealthy by the health industry?

Quote:

> Sure- ABUSING alcohol is harmful, but consumption of alcohol within the biblical parameters JAH has given us isn't harmful. On the contrary it is beneficial. Smoking, in any quantity is harmful. Smoke particles being deposited in the lungs is harmful.

But where do you find the biblical evidence (much more important then the scientist) to back your statement JAH's commandments about alcohol deal with health? On the contrary, you can see that allways when there is negative talk tabout alcohol in the Bible it is about the effect and the matter of sobrieity. Now this sobrieity does not neccesarily mean the abstanance for a little [b]makes the heart glad[b] and too much "makes you a mocker" or disables one from thinkin g. These are the biblical reasons nopt to want to drink alcohol. Mind you, not because it is unhealthy. Sure, the positive health aspect is mentioned as a reason fur using it, but it is not mentioned as a reason not to use it. Paulus did not live a healthy life, neither did John the Baptist.

Quote:

> I believe anything which does this directly by its use should be avoided. I would appreciate some biblical support for smoking before further attempts are made to equate it with wine drinking or alcohol consumption in general.

You yourself make the comparision on occasions (and you quickly add you that allways that you do not compare them but still you do), so why should I not do it? Ofcourse the comparison is there because the same biblical principals apply.

You can say you want proof from the Bible then smoking is not a sin, but still you do not ask for biblical questions when it comes to my biblical intepretation. You raise this health thing again.

It doesn't say in the Bible that you can or can not smoke. Still it was done in those days. It is neither condemned nor is it promoted. Doesn't that make to make the conclusion that other biblical principals will have to apply?

I am not so convinced that smoking herb is what the babylonians say it is. Too many people die of old age and they are smoking it.

Quote:

> Aside from the physical health concerns- drinking a glass of wine versus smoking a spliff do not produce the same result. I say this based on the testimony of those who have used ganja. Could it be that supposed mental clarity that one seems to feel when smoking ganja is a delusional aspect of its consumption?

No I do not think that to be the case as a universal thing. Sure there are people who do not control their thoughts and they will have a harder time when they smoke or drink herb. People can be insecurte and thing and they will be confronted with this more extreme when they smoked. But it is also possible that it is not a handicap when you smoked.

I know as a teenager I smoked a lot of herb and I do not think that it made me a worse person. I think it even helped me in my thinking.

Quote:

> If governments didn't establish some restrictions there would be anarchy.

Not when herb is legal it won't.

Quote:

> So long as laws don't force us to transgress the commandements of our Father, we should comply with them.

I see it different. I am bound only to the law of Yesus Kristos and then there will be no righteous law against me. Real simple....

Quote:

> Jetze, I understand what you are saying about giving people the freedom to choose for themselves. But what role should government play?

In the social and health region they would have to do something. Like preventing people from taking drugs, but also giving guidelines in case the drugs is used. Drugs is not a thing for the police or even the freaking military in their war on drugs.

Quote:

> Legalisation of drugs is a trickier issue perhaps than many realize.

In any way, not an issue per se for people who have some personal usage to legalize.

Quote:

> Is restriction of cocaine, heroin and marijuana because the government can't find a way to regulate them and make a profit or is it because they want to protect people from harmful effects of their use?

It's illegal because it makes more profit for the government founded drug kartels and a perfect reason to keep poor people in the prison system. That is why the gov't is against legalization and I do not think that a righteous person would see these two reasons as valid.

Quote:

> I think ultimately it all comes down to pesonal choice anyway. For many, laws were made to be broken and only apply if you get caught. Perhaps it's not the government's role to ban these substances, but spend the money in "the war on drugs" on educating people about the hazards and promoting abstinence from drug use instead. Would this produce a much better result than what we've gotten so far?

You bet it would.....

Quote:

> The subject is somewhat complex and must be carefully dissected. There needs to be a balance between maintaining an order of deceny for citizens and also allowing people to make choices for themselves.

I am against hard drugs because you can not use these things without getting into a situation the bible calls "sin". But I do not think the government should forbid these things. I am not against legalization of the hard drugs, provided that it would be given to addicts by doctors or something like that. This way people would have to start using heroin for example at a dealer, but when the person is hooked (pretty quikc most of the time) he can then get his drugs with the doctor. So it would not be lucrative for the dealer to deal hard drugs and he would start to find a better hob instead.

When herb would be legalized you would only make a lot of people happy and it would not cause an increase in criminality. Neither would it cause an increase in medical things. You would also create a situation in which smoking the herb would be less dangerous.

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Jetze,

the Bible tells us that we as Christians are to shun the ways of the World. We are to turn from the things that the World is in love with. Is not the World in love with Ganja? It seems every Rap song now days is glorifying it's use. Cypress Hill, Snoop Dog etc. The problem with your line of reasoning is that you place your vote for credence and credibility with these examples and others instead of teaching and preaching a message of Holiness. God has called us to be Holy. What about this issue is Holy? What about this issue even comes close to bringing glory to God? Jetze we are called to stand against the World! Do you deny that? Is that not the command of God? Has not God called us to be differant and separate from the things that the world is wrapped up in? Watch MTV and BET for a day or two and see if the things spoken are godly or not. Are we supposed to look like them? Are we not supposed to be Born Again and not be in line

with that mind set?

I know that you are solidly convinced into your mindset on this. I know that you have put much thought into it. But is there no way that there is room in your mind for the possibility of being wrong?

My stand point is much clearer. Here is how. If I am wrong my approach causes no one to be in sin. But if you are wrong you have lead folks astray.

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quote

blaminack wrote:

> Jetze,
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> the Bible tells us that we as Christians are to shun the ways of the World. We are to turn from the things that the World is in love with. Is not the World in love with Ganja?

That's way too simple. "The World" also likes sex. But there are instances in which sex in not a sin and the people who condemn every form of sex would also use your reasoning.

Quote:

> It seems every Rap song now days is glorifying it's use. Cypress Hill, Snoop Dog etc.

It's better when the like weed then when they like to kill other people.

Quote:

> The problem with your line of reasoning is that you place your vote for credence and credibility with these examples and others instead of teaching and preaching a message of Holiness.

So because I do not want, unlike most here, judge all weedsmokers as sinners, I am in the same line as Cypris Hill and Snoop Dog and probably Britney Spears too? No, no, no....

Quote:

> God has called us to be Holy. What about this issue is Holy? What about this issue even comes close to bringing glory to God?

That is really absurd. You reason as if I am convinced that smnoking herb is a sin and I "defend: it nevertheless or something. I DO NOT BELIEVE

SMOKING HERB IS A UNIVERSAL SIN. So why should I be against it? You, in your mindset, have allready placed every use of ganja in the sins-corner, and so it is logical that you say to me what you say to me, but you forget that I am not convinced that it would be a sin so it is not really logical to me.

What brings glory to JAH? Well, for example that we are still conversating here. That in spite of our differences we do acknowledge Yesus Kristos as our Lord and Saviour. There are many folks who tell me they would have gotten very tired if they would be in my shoes, reasoning for months here. There are folks who tell me what they think about loz and christafari, and many who ask me why I am not attacking them/you/loz. There are folks who tell me that they do not even want to bother about having a conversation here. Perhaps my denial to tear down christafari and loz gives JAH some glory?

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I watch MTV for about 1 1/2/ minute per half year, when I would count the one or two seconds that I watch it when I zap, which I also hardly ever do since my TV is the monitor for my MP3 player rather then the big brother's eye. There is a reason why I do not watch MTV. This reason is connected with what you describe above.

So, yeah, I am convinced that MTV is almost only about one thing: sin. But do I conclude that out of the idea that some folks on MTV, or even all folks at MTV speak about using ganja? I bet they also speak about homosexual "relations", too, yes? I bet they show all kind of pornographic material and perhaps also cokane and all that.

You can't say just because a sinner is doing it it is therefor a sin.

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> I know that you are solidly convinced into your mindset on this. I know that you have put much thought into it. But is there no way that there is room in your mind for the possibility of being wrong?

I can see how one or more reasons not to smoke would apply to a lot of

people. I acknowledge that, not because of MTV and all that, but simply because I see what is happenning with some people. I can also bring you to people of which you can not apply one single of the arguments. This is my problem with this anti-herb stance. I simply know too much to say it is allways wrong and I might know too little to say it is allways wrong.

Quote:

> My stand point is much clearer.

Quote:

> Here is how. If I am wrong my approach causes no one to be in sin. But if you are wrong you have lead folks astray.

If you are wrong, you have spied on some's freedoms, you have given them the idea they are sinning where they are not. Is that not serious? Paulus considers it serious enough to write a whole book on that (Galatians).

This is not a gamble. Sin is not a gamble.

How can I lead folks "astray" from what I say? Astray from what? Astray from the traditional churchical view? That's not wrong. I do not see where I lead people astray. I do not want to state in this public arena if I smoke or not. I do not want to say smoking is allways good for all. I have a FAQ in which I state questions people should ask themselves when they (want to) smoke herb (or drink it).

How can the following be leading people astray?

Quote:

> 19. I am a Christian struggling with the question if I can smoke or not. What advise can you give me?
>
> I can only point you out to Kristos Yesus. If you are a Christian, then you have accepted Christ as your Lord and Savior. He will guide you. I can however give you some guidelines you can consider before you will make your decision. You can trust the Lord to guide you in this, when you sincerely ask Him.
>
> I would like to go to the motivation behind it. Many people in the Christian World do not smoke herb but want to smoke it. So they should ask themselves: Why am I not smoking it, and why should I want to smoke it?
> Some people smoke it to get revelations. I think that's dangerous, and the Lord is certainly not limiting Himself to reveal Himself only if people smoke herb.
> Some people smoke it to escape reality. When Christ is your reality so

> to speak, for He said that He is the Truth (Reality), perhaps you should consider if your perception of reality shouldn't be a little different, for when you are a Christian, then Christ is your Reality, why then would you want to escape from Him?
> Some smoke it because it is a part of their culture. They're not using it like drugs, but like a way of enjoying themselves. The Bible doesn't necessarily say that you can't drink a little bit an enjoy yourself. The people in Cana were really enjoying themselves over the wine that our Lord and Savior had given them.
> So I think you should base your decision on your own relationship with God through Christ, by prayerfully testing your motives.

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Jetze,

I believe that you do well to come and reason here. And think that those who would question you for doing so may realize that there stance on these issues are by no means as solid as yours and could not stand up to the debate. So be congratulated for your intellectual honesty. I know that we don't agree more often than we do, but you are right that God is glorified in that I do consider you are great friend, (although a very hard headed one! LOL))

So many are afraid to do what you do because they are afraid that they really don't understand the issues. They know that they have bought propaganda instead of fact.

Now to the issue. You and I see liberty quite differantly. I see it like this...

Rules are like a barrier rail on the balcony of a sky scraper. Though it may be small, a person can walk right out to the edge and feel secure. He can go out and enjoy the awesome view though high he has no fear. That is my idea of Liberty.

Your view of liberty takes away the Barrier rail. That person is not likely to go out and enjoy the view. The edge is still in the same place but your eye is on the edge where before it was the view. There is fear because you have lost the security of the railing. Before that rail brought a joy because

of the freedom to go and enjoy in security. You knew exactly how far you could go in safety, but now you cannot approach the edge because you cannot tell which step is too far. Is the wind going to gust and blow against you? Is a clumsy person coming from inside? Could I slip? What about distractions that could trick me? With out the rail of rules there is no stability. The things that brought joy before are gone. They are replaced with fears and insecurity.

Now this is NOT about taking away something that is a liberty. The Word is not plain on this issue. It is not cut and dry. If you were to say I know for absolute positive as to if this sin or not you would be mistaken. It is not clear. So why try to go through all this to try to make it seem ok when you really just do not know?

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 11 Feb 2004 13:44 Post subject: quote **blaminack wrote:** Jetze, I believe that you do well to come and reason here. And think that those who would question you for doing so may realize that there stance on these issues are by no means as solid as yours and could not stand up to the debate. Thank you for the welcome and for the overstanding that I am not having any bad intentions although it may seem so for some. **Quote:** So be congratulated for your intellectual honesty. I know that we don't agree more often than we do, but you are right that God is glorified in that I do consider you are great friend, (although a very hard headed one! LOL)

I think, as far as I'm relevant, I rather talk about differences then about things we agree on, because there is not so much to talk when everyone agrees. Then you get enormous long "i agree" postings which are only interesting to read for the people who wrote it in the first place. I also like to ask questions about things I do not understand too. And I know that you love our LORD and SAVIOUR, our CREATOR, the God of Abraham

and the Father of our Divine Lord Yesus Kristos. This is the most important thing and therefore all other differences are secondary issue as far as I'm concerned.

Quote:

> So many are afraid to do what you do because they are afraid that they really don't understand the issues. They know that they have bought propaganda instead of fact.

But it is great when people do realize they have been buying propagenda because which self-respecting person wants to parrot propaganda? Following propaganda is not freedom, and indeed:

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Bizarre.... So freedom is to walk within the rules? The sense of security cause by trusting the (giver of the) rules even though it doesn't mean the rules keep you safe, because the wind can't be ruled and when it comes and you are on the edge you still fall. Mind you I am not speaking about the GIVER of Rules with JAH in mind. JAH is my Rider too and I will do what He says.

Quote:

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If I would change sky scraper into road, the analogy says something like:

we are on our way to ZION, the Dwelling Place of JAH, on the narrow Road that is called Yesus Kristos, true? Now in order to not fall away from that road, the barrier rails are there, true? When JAH is the One Who put the barrier rails there, you will not hear me complain about any loss of any liberty. For where the Spirit (of JAH) is, the IS Liberty. Also JAH places as the opposite of disorder not order but peace. Paulus says: "Jah is not a God of disorder, but of PEACE".

I am not questioning that, in itself.

What I am questioning is, is this particular issue that we discuss part of this barrier rail that is placed there by JAH?

If it is not placed there by JAH as a sign for everyone, then there must be liberty in this. For when someone can do a thing and it is not a sin, then who is someone to judge the other one for doing it. Then the barrier rails are re-located and some people might even see that but since they are in the mind set that "barriere = good, for then I do not have to use my JAHgiven brains to think for myself", the road becomes more narrow then it is intended to be.

For me, the barriers also wouldn't make a difference, I wouldn't approach the side of a skyscrape building or road-side when there is a big gap into depth because I have extreme fear of heights ever since I was very young. I don't trust the barriere rail either (But this is just a side remark because of this particular analogy)

So in short, I am not questioning any rule that is given by JAH, I do question every rule that is NOT given by JAH and I analyse every rule of which I am not sure it is of JAH. I think this is a healthy attitude.

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That goes in two ways, that reasoning. I could say the same. But then we wouldn't have a reasoning, debate or even conversation on this subject. a subject which proofed to be in the interest and attention of many many people. Many more then I expect!

Bottomline for me is, that (apart from the Roman13 and TempleBody argumentation) the arguments used in the discussion here would apply to

some people, maybe most people, but not everyone. I draw conclusions from that, trying to use the two eyes, brains and what have you to try to find out not only what JAH says to me about it (I think I know what JAH says to me about my smoking herb or not), but try to find out some description of this matter that will incorporate or even consist out of a biblical approach, in the Spirit of JAH.

I know very well, this time in which I stopped smoking herb for a variety of reasons. I know how convinced I was on this action that "if it is good enough for me then it is good enough for you". I see this reflected in many contributions too. It's like I can not imagine how people can dislike Reggae Music. I really do not see any reason as to why people shouldn't love Reggae Music. Whenever I listen to or play (with) Reggae, I feel it in my soul and I can not imagine that people do not have that same feeling or wouldn't like that feeling. Now ofcourse, I know with my brains that there are friendly and kind people who do not like Reggae Music. I can not understand it but I do have to realize it. Reality around me forces me to accept this reality. Now after I stopped smoking herb I saw the people around me. I saw how the things that made me quit in that time were not present in the lifes of others. I talked intensly with these people, for many hours, weeks and months and years. I saw them growing in Christ in a way that I never see "in church" as they say. Some are like walking concordances and they apply the Biblical principals (which are JAH's PRINCIPALS) in their lifes.

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The "Rasta Stance On Ganja" is also varied, I think. What I am against is the idea that ganja is to be used in order to get spiritual experiences of any kind. That would be pharmakeia, period. I also say that in the same FAQ. The point is, that I have never been contacted by a Rasta concerning my position on ganja. It is not that big of an issue.

In a conversation with a good Dread Idren he told me that he smoked ganja to go through in babylon and I can perfectly overstand this. I know a

dread who licks up his chalice and produces big clouds of smoke as a hopefull celebration of the coming fall of babylon, but he does not "leave reality". I can perfectly overstand this. I know a musician who smokes to help him concentrate on what he's doing. I can perfectly overstand this.

Paulus does tell us, that WHATEVER we do, we got to give Thanks and Praise for it. So I can also overstand as to why some say Give Thanks And Praise While Chalice Blaze.

I know Rastas who do not smoke. A lot of Rastas do not smoke herb. Some occasionaly would drink a little tea. For them this whole herb sacrament is as much a sacrament as it is for me.

I see a tendency in my neighborhood that the youngsters are turning from pills and start to smoke herb more then taking these freaking pills. I rejoice over that for I know that it is far worse to take XTC and become a zombie then to smoke up the collie herb.

I wouldn't formulate sentences as "they are wrong", but I would question the idea that there is a herb sacrament. I would analyse it, I would come to a conclusion and I would share that conclusion not as a rule but as my conclusion.

You see, when you use herb as a way of getting into the spiritual (for lack of a better summary) you would try to enter into the sheep's place without going through the Door. You would try to get in touch with the Father but not through Yesus. And even if you would try to do so by drinking a cup of coffee, you would be doing the pharmakeia business.

JAH Love.
And hey I watched the spelling

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So very true. It once again comes to motives of doing whatever it is that we are doing.

Messian I have a question (again) . For example, I do not have a problem with the fact that I or someone else may have a cup of coffee during a church service or a bible study.

But (in your reasonings you have said that herb can be compared to coffee) would it not be sinful to smoke ANYTHING during times of study or worship? I say sinful because coffee has no health affect on anyone but the one who drinks it. Where as smoking would effect those around us. Wether by the smoke or by how others look at those who smoke. THE OLD MAKE ANOTHER STUMBLE ARGUEMENT.

When do we say it is a "churchical thing" verses a "JAH thing"?

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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This topic is not even about "smoking ganja".

I am not saying that man should or should not smoke.

To some people I know in JA, smoking ganja is truely a Sacrament.

Still, I 100% agree with blaminack about the tricks of this system.

Yet still I know that the herb should be FREE. That's all. Correct the imbalance created by bobby.

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blaminack should ganja be illegal to those who use it as a Sacrament? (aka a Meat Offering)

I wot not.

Should it be illegal to farm hemp for oil, fabric, paper, etc?

No.

Personally, I think it should be illegal for them to take away a mans freedom.

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Jetze,

I am thankful for your thoughtful answers. The rules that I am refering to are, I believe God's rules and that is explained fully in the other threads regarding it being sinful or not. I see it as drunkeness, but we have covered all of that. We just fundementally disagree with each other on this issue.

Jah Son,

Thanks for understanding my thinking, but I think that you only get it in part. There are two systems going on here, the War on Drugs and the effort put into making people into junkies and slaves. They are two sides of the same coin. What do they have in common? Money and peoples lives are destroyed. Both of them can be avoided by staying free from weed.

I have NO PROBLEM with HEMP being used for any industrial use that could be thought of. I have NO PROBLEM with marijuana being used for medicinaly legit purposes IF IT IS PROVEN TO BE MORE EFFECT than anything else. What I do have contention with is expolitation, abuse, intoxication, and recreational use if this substance. Many like to draw

herbalist titles for themselves, and many other types of things that are intended to justify the misuse of the the plant. Some want to attach religious significance to it's use, but for the Christian this really all boils down to the simple question does Smoking Marijuana cater to the flesh or the Spirit? The Bible tells us that living a life that caters to the flesh is death, but living in the Spirit is life.

Let's really boil this down to the most important. Is smoking herb ok for the Christian. Why do I word this, this way? It is because to the lost man it matters nothing if smoking weed is sin. He is already lost and on his way to hell for many other more prominant things like the state of his heart and his lack of salvation. Would I go around telling a lost person that ganja would send him to Hell? No, I would explain what he has lost by not having a saving relationship with Christ...

But for the Christian, there is a TOTALLY DIFFERANT STANDARD. We are to be Holy, and Spotless, without Wrinkle if we are part of His Bride.

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Posts: 67
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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 01:42 Post subject:

quote

This topic is not even about "smoking ganja".

I am not saying that man should or should not smoke.

To some people I know in JA, smoking ganja is truely a Sacrament.

Still, I 100% agree with blaminack about the tricks of this system. I know what you r saying.

Yet still I know that the herb should be FREE. That's all. Correct the imbalance created by Bobbywrong.

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gospelkid

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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 03:39 Post subject: quote

sex is not a sin...but sex outside of marriage is though...so answer me as u guys are talking about barriers...so tell me where is the barriers in the above statement...is it outside of marriage????
these are questions not facts.....will someone prepare to answer logically or even spiritually with back up of scripture without twisting them..

smoking gunja..is it the same as drinking gunja??
cocaine in dentistry to numb the mouth. Is this a sin???
or is cocain taking by way of sniffing a sin???
can sin be defined a trangression against god...how do we define a transgression against god.
if we believe something is a sin in our heart and we do this thing do we not sin.
is not our body a temple...so once again is smoking the same as drinking???
or does it depend on our motive, what would be the motive for smoking gunja...is it fleshy or spiritual.
does it bring us closer to god spritually...if it does then there should be dozens of testimony to the fact...are there any????

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love the lord with all your heart and prove it aswell

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blaminack
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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 04:27 Post subject: quote

Jah Son,

ANY attempt to use Ganja for a Sacrement is an attempt to put words in to Jah's Mouth. Man cannot make up his own way and expect God to accept it. God described what the offerings are to be. An attempt to use your own idea and impose that on God will not be accepted. Look to Cain. Look to the ones that the Earth swallowed up when they opposed Moses. Man cannot approach God outside of the method that God has set. To use Ganja as a Sacrement is an affront to the plan that god designed. Even to call it incense is a lie! God laid out exactly what that was to be made of. So do the folks in JA that you know a service and tell them the truth. We cannot try to MAKE God accept our habits and fleshly ideas. This brings judgment just as surely as the Son of Eli in the Old Test.

Gospel Kid these are great questions but you should bring them up in

	another thread as this one is quite specific...
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Author	Message
mikeroots Forum Veteran Joined: 13 Nov 2001 Posts: 827 Location: Torrington, CT USA	Posted: 12 Feb 2004 05:50 Post subject: quote Where is the medical evidence to support your claim? **Quote:** In the lack of ganja deaths vs the huge amount of alcohol deaths, for example. Despite the fact alcohol is legal. In the lack of stupidity that is present when one drinks a lot vs the thoughtfullness that can be there when smoked ganja, to name another aspect. Again, scripture is clear about the dangers of excessive consumption of wine and strong drink. Sure- if you want to talk about drunk driving, scerosis of the liver, premature death you'll find these all occur with excessive drinking. You say that "I" also make a comparison between wine and ganja. No, I do not. I believe you are assuming a lot by applying scriptures referring to alcohol consumption (a beverage) to smoking. That's a lot to assume and I think it's dangerous to basically say, "anywhere you see 'wine' you can substitute smoking ganja" which in essence is what you are saying, true? I am debating the effects of ganja versus alcohol. Bill is approaching this discussion a little differently than I am and that's

fine. Is it sinful? Well, if we can't reach a consensus I say let us use thw Holy Scriptures and also apply some common sense which JAH has given us. From a health standpoint, smoking is foolish and unwise. Secondly, from a spiritual standpoint I absolutely believe when one smokes ganja they are asking for trouble because there are lines that can be crossed too easily. Thirdly, there is the responsibility one has to not do anything willingly which will cause your weaker brother to stumble. I have said it before, (and I am speaking as "if" you smoke) although you live in the Netherlands you are 'global' and your brethren and sistren are not confined to the borders of your home country. You know what I mean? You have a greater responsibility and I don't think it's fair to say, "well it's legal here" and so that exempts you from the responsibility for causing a brother say in JA to get into legal/spiritual trouble because he saw that you believe it's okay as a Christian to use. Ganja use is a huge stereotype in reggae culture anyway and your stance is likely to help enable people to continue when they have doubts about and maybe even for some to begin. I think it's rather plain- abstinence is the right thing in this situation for numerous reasons.

Quote:

> You allways raise these health stuff. Allways the smoking you say is wrong, but you do not speak about tea or when you do you say you have not a clear opinnion.

No, I have spoken about ganja tea (actually infusion is the proper term here). I inquired and pondered about whether consumption in tea form would be beneficial or not. I can't unequivocally say 'yes' or 'no' at this point.

OK, but our discussion should be: can a christian do something which is labeled unhealthy by the health industry?

Quote:

> Sure- ABUSING alcohol is harmful, but consumption of alcohol within the biblical parameters JAH has given us isn't harmful. On the contrary it is beneficial. Smoking, in any quantity is harmful. Smoke particles being deposited in the lungs is harmful.

Quote:

> But where do you find the biblical evidence (much more important then the scientist) to back your statement JAH's commandments about alcohol deal with health? On the contrary, you can see that allways when there is negative talk tabout alcohol in the Bible it is about the effect and the matter of sobrieity. Now this sobrieity does not neccesarily mean the abstanance for a little [b]makes the heart glad[b] and too much "makes you a mocker" or disables one from thinkin g. These are the biblical reasons nopt to want to drink alcohol. Mind you, not because it is unhealthy. Sure, the positive health aspect is mentioned as a reason fur using it, but it is not mentioned as a reason not to use it. Paulus did not live a healthy life, neither did John the Baptist.

I didn't say the bible says good things about wine regarding health. It does say 'wine maketh the glad the heart of man' and 'a little wine is good for the stomach'. Maybe there is more said regarding health benefits of wine- I don't know because I haven't done a study on it. I don't believe that our Lord and Saviour would have turned water into wine or drank it himself it was harmful. Wine is shown in the bible to be used for social and medicinal use and I believe it is no accident that light to moderate wine consumption has been proven to be beneficial to one's health. Of course, wine consumption is something one has to be very careful about because it can be 'raging and a mocker' and can also cause a weaker bredren to fall IF IT IS NOT USED RESPONSIBLY. For these reasons, many choose to abstain altogether.

Quote:

> I believe anything which does this directly by its use should be avoided. I would appreciate some biblical support for smoking before further attempts are made to equate it with wine drinking or alcohol consumption in general.

Quote:

> You yourself make the comparision on occasions (and you quickly add you that allways that you do not compare them but still you do), so why should I not do it? Ofcourse the comparison is there because the same biblical principals apply.
>
> You can say you want proof from the Bible then smoking is not a sin, but still you do not ask for biblical questions when it comes to my biblical intepretation. You raise this health thing again.
>
> It doesn't say in the Bible that you can or can not smoke. Still it was done in those days. It is neither condemned nor is it promoted. Doesn't that make to make the conclusion that other biblical principals will have to apply?

I think I covered these points in the first portion of my response. Maybe not.

I also think it is quite conceivable that heathen nation(s) were the ones who began smoking. It would certainly make sense in the spiritual context that they would indeed use it as pharmakeia. Maybe as medicine as well, I don't know.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 13:16 Post subject: quote

Greetings. A long reply, I did not cover everything, got to do a lot of things and will probably have lots of spelling mistakes too...

WARRIOR

> **Quote:**
>
> Messian I have a question (again) . For example, I do not have a problem with the fact that I or someone else may have a cup of coffee during a church service or a bible study.
> But (in your reasonings you have said that herb can be compared to coffee) would it not be sinful to smoke ANYTHING during times of study or worship?

I don't know. When I reason with Iah's there's smoke there many times, but there's not really people who have a problem with that.

It all boils down in which culture you are, I guess. I see people smoking herb daily. When I go to a dance or concert I see people smoking. When I visit people I see them smoking. I don't even see it anymore, seen?

> **Quote:**
>
> When do we say it is a "churchical thing" verses a "JAH thing"?

-1- When extra-biblical rules are added, thus reducing the liberty that JAH gives us.
-2- When the system is more important then the message.
-3- When babylonian traditions (such as the so called reverend or christmas) are being viewed as integral part of the believe.
-4- when the words "the church" are not used to describe the totality of Yesus Followers, but still applied.

JAH SON

Quote:

> To some people I know in JA, smoking ganja is truely a Sacrament

What is the definition of a sacramentt? I know, to simply give thanks and praise while chalice blaze doesn't make it a sacrament.

BLAMINACK

Quote:

> The rules that I am refering to are, I believe God's rules and that is explained fully in the other threads regarding it being sinful or not. I see it as drunkeness, but we have covered all of that. We just fundementally disagree with each other on this issue.

I guess we do.... I guess JAH placed us in two different places too, where it is obvious that with your stance I couldn't do what I do, and with my stance you couldn't do what you do?

GOSPELKID

Quote:

> these are questions not facts.....will someone prepare to answer logically or even spiritually with back up of scripture without twisting them..

And what do you think we are doing for the last few MONTHS? I think you're too lazy to read what is written for you bring up all argumentation that has been dealt with in-depth. Really in-depth, with loads and loads of thoughts from all sides. I would like to refer you to the various threads here and read them.

MIKE ROOTS

Quote:

> You say that "I" also make a comparison between wine and ganja. No, I do not. I believe you are assuming a lot by applying scriptures referring to alcohol consumption (a beverage) to smoking. That's a lot to assume and I think it's dangerous to basically say, "anywhere you see 'wine' you can substitute smoking ganja" which in essence is what you are saying, true? I am debating the effects of ganja versus alcohol.

I am too lazy to find the spot for you, but you have made the comparision somewhere and quickly added the words "not that I am

making a comparision". Never mind, you know. I just though it was a bit funny, that's all.

I think that the effects of ganja and wine can be compared biblically. It is both a substance that when used mature can be used for enjoyment of the heart, and when abused it can lead to drunkeness. Because the biblical definitions fit, in my opinnion.

> **Quote:**
>
> (....)if we can't reach a consensus I say let us use thw Holy Scriptures and also apply some common sense which JAH has given us.

I agree.

> **Quote:**
>
> (...) I absolutely believe when one smokes ganja they are asking for trouble because there are lines that can be crossed too easily.

But what do you do when this doesn't happen?

> **Quote:**
>
> (...) although you live in the Netherlands you are 'global' and your brethren and sistren are not confined to the borders of your home country. You know what I mean? You have a greater responsibility and I don't think it's fair to say, "well it's legal here" and so that exempts you from the responsibility for causing a brother say in JA to get into legal/spiritual trouble because he saw that you believe it's okay as a Christian to use.

Do you think it is fair to say what you say, when you read good what I write? Do you really think that someone can start to smoke herb because of what I write? Ofcourse, everyone knows that ganja is considered a reason to make people visit jail in certain countries. I think you are reasoning from a certain perspective here. I am not into mental slavery. I am not into making people into Messian Dread followers or whatever. I am into trying to get people to think for themselves.
Globally, I think that more and more countries will legalize collie herb.
In Europe, most people will not get into trouble when they smoke. They just got to do it with care.
In Canada you can smoke, too.
In the USA it is considered "weapon of mass destruction" (I am NOT kidding here) and I think that that is a wrong law which should not be supported.

I wouldn't even show a yankee the way to a coffeeshop, do you know that?

Quote:

> Ganja use is a huge stereotype in reggae culture anyway and your stance is likely to help enable people to continue when they have doubts about and maybe even for some to begin. I think it's rather plain- abstinence is the right thing in this situation for numerous reasons.

Well, I disagree. You say the same as Bill concerning this, and I disagree with that. I say babylon got to legalize herb for a number of reasons. We shouldn't accept the prohibition for it makes too many people suffer. I do not care if people smoke weed, let them smoke it if they can do it, and let there be many that will fight against the prohibition. For the prohobition is the real evil.

Quote:

> I didn't say the bible says good things about wine regarding health. It does say 'wine maketh the glad the heart of man' and 'a little wine is good for the stomach'.

That second is a statement concerning healthy aspect of wine....

Quote:

> Maybe there is more said regarding health benefits of wine- I don't know because I haven't done a study on it.

Me neither....

Quote:

> I don't believe that our Lord and Saviour would have turned water into wine or drank it himself it was harmful.

Change "harmfull" into "sinfull" and I'm youre man....

Quote:

> Wine is shown in the bible to be used for social and medicinal use and I believe it is no accident that light to moderate wine consumption has been proven to be beneficial to one's health. Of course, wine consumption is something one has to be very careful about because it can be 'raging and a mocker' and can also cause a weaker bredren to fall IF IT IS NOT USED RESPONSIBLY. For these reasons, many choose to abstain altogether.

All these things can be applied to weed smoking or drinking too.

> **Quote:**
>
> I also think it is quite conceivable that heathen nation(s) were the ones who began smoking. It would certainly make sense in the spiritual context that they would indeed use it as pharmakeia. Maybe as medicine as well, I don't know.

Well, there were smokers of herb ages before there was even a mention of "Israel". It is also called the poor people's champagne and I guewss you forgot to mention "enjoyment" as a reason for using it....

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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 13:59 Post subject: quote

We both know that smoking Ganja is not found in the Bible and there much made to connect it to alcohol. But the question has dawned on me while getting ready for work, is it not totally possible that smoking ganja is not mentioned Biblically because the practice was SO steeped in Pagan ritual Pharmekia that the need mention was covered only in the commands to rid your self of Idols? In other words that was seen as the only use for it in a Spiritual sense. For example, when God told the hebrews to turn from idols it mentions braking off the gold that they wore. This is seen as just a part of the paganism. I believe that this flows right in with the form of worship offered to idols, so the to mention it in a positive sense was not needed, because for the follower of God there was none.... Thoughts?

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warrior
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Posted: 12 Feb 2004 19:22 Post subject: quote

Messian Quote: "I guess we do.... I guess JAH placed us in two different places too, where it is obvious that with your stance I couldn't do what I do, and with my stance you couldn't do what you do? "

I feel this statement is one of the truest (lack of a better term) that I have read. JAH uses us to bring him glory,right???!!!! HOW HUMBLING IS THAT??!!!

Wether we witness,preach,teach to ganja smoking people or people who don't smoke we are still being used by GOD.

If one has a "problem" with those who use weed then best not to show JAH grace by condemning them. Yet one who does not see ganja as a "problem" is best to not tell people who don't smoke it is "O.K" so not to cause them to stumble.

Does that make sense?

Does it make sense to say that these reasonings(Blaminack and Messian) can both be correct because both are bringing/giving glory and thanks to GOD??????

1PETER 4:10Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

As for the healing of the nations I still would like to have biblical proof that herb is the healing of the nations from JAH SON. And not just your opinion.Can you show where it says herb "IS" or are you just telling people what YOU want them to hear? The bible says that CHRIST will heal and that HE alone. Otherwise this reasoning that you have is not valid.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Posted: 13 Feb 2004 03:51 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
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yes.

> **Quote:**
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No I do not think so because the people, normal "john doe" (correct?) used it too. It has allways been also for the normal people as relaxation.

> **Quote:**
>
> In other words that was seen as the only use for it in a Spiritual sense. For example, when God told the hebrews to turn from idols it mentions braking off the gold that they wore. This is seen as just a part of the paganism.

Okay, Jah never forbade the use of gold, even stronger He applied it in the service to Himself too. The use for the occult things have never been the only thing. People have been using it as relaxation or enjoyment too.

> **Quote:**
>
> I believe that this flows right in with the form of worship offered to idols, so the to mention it in a positive sense was not needed, because for the follower of God there was none.... Thoughts?

Yes, I do have thoughts about that. We would have to dig into the historical "facts" but as far as i know, ganja has been used by normal people where it's medicinal use was also known and ofcourse the metaphysical or spiritual.

I have a counter-question, why I would also not join your assumption. When JAH wrote the Bible, He did know in advance what was going to happen. He layed down principals in the scripture. We can read the stories and consider them accurate history (which it is), but as Paulus teaches us, these things were done as a teaching for us. We can read principals, getting to know our Lord better and how He deals with us. I

would say that JAH JAH knew we were going to have this discussion, so to speak. We must be able to find a principal in the Bible which we can apply to our own lifes when it comes to herb and whatever other subject you can think off. Some things are pretty obvious, like porneia and all that. Other things are less obvious, like herb.

> **warrior wrote:**
>
> Yet one who does not see ganja as a "problem" is best to not tell people who don't smoke it is "O.K" so not to cause them to stumble.

Why should they stumble? Why are they not smoking?

> **Quote:**
>
> Does it make sense to say that these reasonings(Blaminack and Messian) can both be correct because both are bringing/giving glory and thanks to GOD??????

Eerrr... No, not completely. We do disagree fundamentally in this issue. I think the issue is that Blaminack sees no situation in which someone consumes herb without committing a sin and I do. The rest of the debate is not really to-the-core-point but they are steps that make us come to this rather different conclusion.

In other words, we can only be "both right" if we would both acknowledge the personal situation in our opinnion and the possibility of a different conclusoion in a different (possible) situation.

Right, Bill?

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Posted: 13 Feb 2004 04:49 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

I cannot find enjoyment in and of it's self as a legit biblical motive for anything in the Bible. That really boils down to situational ethics, that I see as a total clash with Scripture.

I believe that yes the princibles that apply to wine apply to other things.

I believe also that God is glorified most in our ability to debate and remain friendly.

I don't believe that HAVE to agree on ever issue. Just the need for salvation through Jesus Christ.

I think that to not consider my last post FULLY would be willful shortsightedness. I am by no means saying that is the total answer but I think it is a very solid plausibility which merits consideration. If in fact ganja use was as common as you seem to think there should be something mentioned about it in some historical context. Where is the evidence that anyone in the area of the Biblical setting ever smoked ganja? (though I am inclined to believe it was used under the realm of Pharmekia by Shamans, Witchdoctors etc.) Why do you automatically assume that it was used by common man? It is just as likely that the use by anyone other than a "Tribal Elder" or some such thing may have been Taboo. This, with out substanciation is just a guess....

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Posted: 13 Feb 2004 08:42 Post subject: quote

so u think i am too lazy..to read the threads..really..... its great to see your heart shining through in our debate...works every time

one thing i know is that blackinack uses articulate uses of scripture when reasoning.....the gunja smoking issue is clear...but when one wants to smoke it they will make any case to keep on do so.

nuff said from me on the subject...who have ears to hear let them hear

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love the lord with all your heart and prove it aswell

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Posted: 13 Feb 2004 12:35 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Why do you automatically assume that it was used by common man? It is just as likely that the use by anyone other than a "Tribal Elder" or some such thing may have been Taboo. This, with out substanciation is just a guess....

Well, I wasn't there, in ancient times. But I have read stuff about it, and I read that ganja is used throughout the ages by the normal "john doe" (?) as enjoyment.

By the way I would say enjoyment is a perfectly biblical sound way of passing through time.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 13 Feb 2004 13:02 Post subject: quote Can you show me a few verses, besides the one that you have quoted already about wine making the heart glad. If you show me one like that, I can show you 10 or twenty that mention that our joy is Lord. He, Himself is our joy, our pleasure etc. To me that shows a focus and intention of Scripture.
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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 13 Feb 2004 18:54 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Why should they stumble? Why are they not smoking?

That is a wrong question to ask. I don't smoke because I have been told by GOD'S spirit and through his word that I was doing what was sinful when I smoked. So, I don't smoke because my GOD told me not to. For you to argue that it was not JAH telling me; this would be as if you were**PLAYING GOD**

Now, you are saying that it is O.K. for me to smoke because I have freedom **I say I have freedom in CHRIST not to smoke**

Now a younger (in spirit)/ weaker christian may hear JAH saying **DON'T SMOKE** But you come and say it is a freedom JAH brings and he takes what you say and starts smoking and is caused to use other drugs etc....

And you cannot ignore this scenario because it happens very often. I know from personal experience. And for you to say it is not YOU who caused this person to stumble would be like saying you don't sin.

My statement about both being right is still valid and true.

You (by what you have said) talk with/worship with those that smoke right????

Quote:

> I don't know. When I reason with Iah's there's smoke there many times, but there's not really people who have a problem with that.

This was your answer to the question I asked about smoking during a church service or bible study. DID YOU REALLY ANSWER THE QUESTION????

Quote:

> I guess we do.... I guess JAH placed us in two different places too, where it is obvious that with your stance I couldn't do what I do, and with my stance you couldn't do what you do?

It's interesting that you say this yet deny that you both can be right.

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received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Don't take the bold personal I am taking the advice given to me and it is working great.

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Posted: 13 Feb 2004 22:02 Post subject: quote

DID YOU KNOW THAT IN HEBREW, "SERAPHIM" LITERALLY MEANS, "SMOKE DRINKER"? JUST A MEDITATIVE THOUGHT..

WARRIOR SAID:As for the healing of the nations I still would like to have biblical proof that herb is the healing of the nations from JAH SON. And not just your opinion.Can you show where it says herb "IS" or are you just telling people what YOU want them to hear? The bible says that CHRIST will heal and that HE alone. Otherwise this reasoning that you have is not valid.

THE BIBLE SAYS THAT THE LEAVES OF THE TREE OF LIFE "SHALL BE FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS."

THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY, "HEMP IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS."
THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY, "THE TRINITY"
THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY, "Does it make sense to say that these reasonings(Blaminack and Messian) can both be correct because both are bringing/giving glory and thanks to GOD?????? "
THE BIBLE DOESN'T EVEN SAY, "THESE 66 BOOKS ARE THE COMPLETE WORD OF GOD"

STILL THE TRUTH IS THE TRUTH IS THE TRUTH.
WHEN THE HEMP PLANT IS TAKEN FROM IT'S ENVIRONMENT, IT PUTS THE ENTIRE ECO-SYSTEM IN AN IMBALANCED STATE. <<NOT AN OPINION, BUT TRUTH.
THIS IMBALANCE CONTRIBUTES TO THE 'SICKENING' OF THE

NATIONS.<<NOT OPINION, BUT TRUTH.
THE POWERS THAT BE, AS PAUL WOULD CALL 'EM, ARE DOING MANY THINGS CONTRARY TO JAH'S NATURAL ORDER.<<NOT AN OPINION, BUT FACT.
CRIMINALIZING (MONOPOLIZING) GOD'S HERBS IS ONE OF THOSE THINGS.<<NOT AN OPINION, BUT AN EVIDENT FACT.
HAVING "A FOOD SURPLUS" BUT PEOPLE STILL GO HUNGRY IS ALSO ONE OF THOSE THINGS.<<NOT AN OPINION, BUT AN EVIDENT FACT.

CAN YOU SEE THE TRUTHICAL PROOF OF YOUR STATEMENT? I CAN. SO WHEN WE SAY, HERB IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS, CAN YOU SEE THE TRUTHICAL PROOF IN THIS MUCH-ABUSED STATEMENT? I CAN.

MESSIAN DREAD: HERB IS MEAT (GEN1). CLEANSED BY THE GIVING OF THANKS, WHICH IS THE SACRAMENT.

BLAMINACK SAID:Man cannot approach God outside of the method that God has set.

VERY TRUE. GOD'S METHOD: FREEDOM
GOD HAS INDEED SET A METHOD FOR INI TO APPROACH HIM. HEARTICAL (SPIRITUAL) THANKS AND PRAYS. YOU YOURSELF KNOW THAT WE DON'T NEED TO KEEP RITUALS AND RITES.
CAN YOU HEAR ME? TRUTH SETS YOU FREE. (YOU ARE WAY OUT OF CONTEXT WITH YOUR OT BIBLE QUOTES--DO YOU SEE? PLEASE RESPOND)

FREE UP THE HERBALIST.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 13 Feb 2004 23:07 Post subject: quote

Sorry Jah Son,

But the method of approaching God is not "freedom". As a matter of fact it is a very exclusive manner. It is only by the Blood Of Christ. That alone is a worthy sacrifice, and that alone will be accepted. Don't try to send folks by some other way. There is only one gate.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 13 Feb 2004 23:10 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> THE BIBLE SAYS THAT THE LEAVES OF THE TREE OF LIFE "SHALL BE FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS."

The leaves of what tree????

JAH SON says the marijuna tree.

Not good enough.

Your analogy doesn't make sense. JAH spirit, JAH flesh, JAH word. We (people) simply labeled truth as "trinity". No body said it has to be called trinity.

You change or make up truth to fit your belief of hemp. You are saying that hemp IS the healing of the nations.

Your opinions are not making sense. First you say that you are not taking it out of Revelation and now you are saying it is from GOD'S word. You contradict yourself. Is the tree you talk about out of the bible or not????

If it is the tree the bible talks of; then you MUST know that it is JESUS- NOT hemp. who gives life, who heals nations!!!!! NOT HEMP.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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gospelkid

Joined: 18 Jan 2004
Posts: 33
Location: england

Posted: 13 Feb 2004 23:51 Post subject: quote

i second blackinack.....hear hear ole chap...well put

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love the lord with all your heart and prove it aswell

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 14 Feb 2004 10:52 Post subject: quote

Jah Son-The leaves of that tree are not ganja leaves...Do you know why?...Because that tree is not an actual tree...That tree is Christ himself!

Christ is the tree of life!

And it does not just say that the leaves are for healing...But it says it bore twelve manners of fruit...Every month.

12 fruits...For the twelve tribes.

Christ is that tree...Not a ganja plant!

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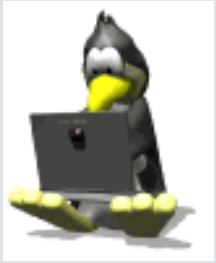
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 14 Feb 2004 14:39 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
>
> Can you show me a few verses, besides the one that you have quoted already about wine making the heart glad. If you show me one like that, I can show you 10 or twenty that mention that our joy is Lord. He, Himself is our joy, our pleasure etc. To me that shows a focus and intention of Scripture.

Indeed. It shows how much it is a subect, an item! Not really an item. Other then that, it is not a matter of how much anything is written in order to make one thing more true then the other. There are no multiple truths and the bible is not a democratic gathering where whosoever has the most counts wins.

warrior wrote:

> **Quote:**
>
> > Why should they stumble? Why are they not smoking?
>
> That is a wrong question to ask. I don't smoke because I have been told by GOD'S spirit and through his word that I was doing what was sinful when I smoked. So, I don't smoke because my GOD told me not to. For you to argue that it was not JAH telling me; this would be as if you werePLAYING GOD

It is not a wrong question. I think it is THE question one should ask himself. You gave a good answer to a good question, so what is your problem? Don't you think I consider it a good reason to not do a thing cause JAH said not to do it? Or do I have to say that as well? I consider that a natural fact. And to question if it is really JAH is obedience to the Lord Himself!

To question a thing when this is a thing people say JAH told them is not wrong either. Paulus orders us, through the Holy Spirit, repeatly to CHECK and DOUBLE CHECK if these things are so.

If you come and say Jah told you a thing (especially when this thing is not only about yourself) then it is my DUTY to check that out.

I am not playing God when I check a certain "prophesy", I am obeying Him. I am not obeying God if I do not check. This is how these terrible things like that "toronto blessing" and all that enters into the Christian World. It is all done by manipulation and false prophesy and intimidation of the faithfull who want to check these things out if it is really Jah.

Quote:

You (by what you have said) talk with/worship with those that smoke right????

Quote:

I don't know. When I reason with Iah's there's smoke there many times, but there's not really people who have a problem with that.

This was your answer to the question I asked about smoking during a church service or bible study. DID YOU REALLY ANSWER THE QUESTION????

I can't see how I didn't answer it....

Quote:

Quote:

1PETER 4:10Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

It's interesting that you say this yet deny that you both can be right.

We're not talking about the various forms of JAH's grace, we're talking about a difference in perception and opinnion about herb smoking and because Bill doesn't believe that there are situations in which one smokes herb without sinning I think it it not possible to conclude we are "both right". Maybe we are put on the right place by our God, but that is a different thing.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 14 Feb 2004 15:42 Post subject: quote Jetze, you are right about it not being a voting type of thing, but it does show exactly where God has the value, and focus and what is important to Him. That is plain. Of course He wants for us to be happy BUT is that in Him, or because of something that we had to take into our bodies to experience? I think that is plain....
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 14 Feb 2004 17:28 Post subject: quote

So then why is it blown out of proportions here, then? Why are there more words here that are about judging ganjasmokers then there are about things that really matter?

I know that because of the church system and it's conformism towards babylon system people are excluded from being recognized as Full Iah in Christ for the simple reason they smoke herb.

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Posted: 14 Feb 2004 22:45 Post subject: quote

You have stretched the issue from the action of smoking to the person who smokes... That is not the point. The action is sinful in my eyes, and 95% of the folks that I know, that next step of judging a person is another deal all together. God is Judge of man, not me or you or anyone else...

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Feb 2004 03:37 Post subject: quote

My point obviously is, that ofcourse there are many more mentions of the glory of JAH then the jollyfication of wine, because it is not the issue.

It's the ones who are convinced that ganja is a sin who make it such a big issue.

You see that illustrated in the various threads that evolved in the last months.

Very, very interesting indeed:

Argumentation is used that does not proof to be universally applicable, inwardly contradicting each other on crucial issues, admittedly to find a

way to convince the opposing view.

Sometimes even going in a direction that crosses the biblical borders.

An example of that: It's admitted that because of the political correct view of the christian world, which *completely coincidental* is equal to the babylonian system, the anti-herb stance is being maintained in spite of poor biblical and practical foundations and at the cost of facing genuine opposition of the very group which is said to be the "target group".

No offense, stricktly sense.

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blaminack
Moderator

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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 15 Feb 2004 05:15 Post subject: quote

I honestly have no idea what you meant.....

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Feb 2004 11:22 Post subject: quote

That's really too bad....

I gave a summary of what is discussed thus far and I added to that what could be the possible consequences of parrotting the political view of mainstream christianity on herb in relation to the declared "target audience".

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Posted: 16 Feb 2004 08:20 Post subject: quote

MD, I don't take to your point of view of this "united churchical" system which you often refer to, and this goes into the 'white jesus' thread as well. The churches out here are not as united in stances as you may think. Especially out here in Alabama, segregation of the races is very very evident.

We are seeing more and more "world churches" or "international" churches where many cultures blend. Sometimes this is a theory more so than a practice but not because of the church, but because of the people. The people come and bring their friends to an international church.. in Alabama.. more than likely it's going to become predominantly Black. In California you will see something different, etc. and so on.

But back to the issue: we all learn from our upbringings and our past, and younger generations of Christians are alot more accepting of new and different ways that blend in with traditions of the past, and so they become new traditions. Point being that the church... a church in of itself takes a stand on an issue of smoking for instance. MY church does not condone smoking period, so the issue of Marijuana is null and void. I made an individual choice to smoke, but it was not out of rebellion against the church's viewpoint. God showed me that it was not his will. I am quite aware of this "churchical view" that you speak of, but for me it

is more of a cultural and traditional view. We as individuals take these views into the church and can make it a church-political issue but it is not.

If someone does not agree with a principle set by the church they should have the right to counsel with the elders/pastor about the issue and come to a resolve. I honestly could not say what happens if a brother or sister is found by the pastor to be doing something out of church principles.. and it becomes an issue of confusion and disfellowship within the church.. then it is dealt with and yes, it does become nasty and that's when the situation arises where they say "oh, the church has become political."

My point is that when you reason sometimes it's as if your experiences speak out of knowledge of all churches within the West and United States which is just not true. No 2 churches within the same denomination deal with things alike.

It seems as though your line of reasoning about herb is along the same lines as many Rastas that smoke herb out of the rebellion against the Christian church. it is a very judgemental reasoning in itself, but at the same time they say judge not. Hypocritical too is it not? considering the roots of the movement came from the Ethiopian Orthodox Christian church. The reasoning to say that Marijuana is the healing as the Rasta way of life is placing the focus.. or blurring the focus away from Christ. And your itations are all about the Christ being the center.

It makes 200% sense to say that to judge someone's actions as sin is wrong. And yes, many who are conservative Christians are running this US nation into the ground with their political war against drugs. But to say mainstream Christianity... I don't know what that is. I am no mainstream Christian. I don't go along with everyone's flow. Maybe we can explore this in another thread.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 16 Feb 2004 13:16 Post subject: quote

Ernie,

Most every post that you make I am amazed at the level of thinking that I see in your observations. You are of great value to this forum.

You are quite right. I have a very large church with several hundreds members. We are extremely open to the black community. The largest part of our outside ministry is located in Africa. We are located very close to mainly black communities in the town. Yet there are only a handful, less than five black familes that go to our church. I find that to be very sad. Your view of World churches is right on too. The partner Chruch that we have is a very unsual. It is lead by a man named Antoine Monsogo. He is from Camoroon Afirica and speaks English with HEAVY accent, but his ministry is to Spanish speaking people in Atlanta... Through him we are also involved in ministry work in Costa Rica. BUt anyways the point is that you are right that there seems to be a huge differance between churches even with in the same denomination in focus and attitude. Ours is focused on Redemption. (I hope that others are too, but many seem to be looking elsewhere)

Now in regards to the stand on Marijuna with in the context of Church teachings...my Church is very conservative, in it's doctrines. So it stands to reason that they are consistant in thier doctrine of outside substances of any kind. Even ciggarettes. Though that is not the focus of any message from the Pulpit. The message there is freedom from sin of anykind and how to have it.

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JAH SON Joined: 01 Nov 2003 Posts: 67 Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH	Posted: 17 Feb 2004 21:51 Post subject: quote WARRIOR I SEE YOU MISSED THE WHOLE POINT. BLAMINACK SORRY, BUT THE BLOOD OF CHRIST YOU SPEAK OF WAS SHED TO SET INI FREE. **MAYBE YOUR METHOD OF APPROACHING GOD IS NOT FREELY, BUT AS FOR ME INI AM FREE.** YOU ALREADY KNOW THIS SO WHY DONT YOU GIVE US SOME BIBLICAL REFERENCES. WHAT I AM SAYING IS NO SET RITS & RITES SHALL JUSTIFY US. THATS ALL. SO YES I SAY ONE MORE TIME: GOD'S "METHOD" IS FREEDOM. TRUTH. SPIRITUAL. LOVE. CAN ANYBODY ON HERE BREAK OUT OF THE MENTAL SLAVERY BOX AND UNDERSTAND WHAT I AM SAYING?
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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 17 Feb 2004 23:15 Post subject: quote

JAH SON,

That's O.K. your POINT is dull!

I see you also are like many who have their opinion based on feelings instead of the word of GOD. You did not answer my question. You still seem to be in **THE SAME CLOUD OF SMOKE.**

Is the tree you talk about in the bible or not???????

There is no other point on this thread (which you started by stating things about this tree and the leaves).

Mental slavery as biblical term- The only mental slavery I know!!!!!

Romans 8:27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the **MIND** of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

1 Cor 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the **MIND** of Christ.

Phil 2:5 Let this **MIND** be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus

So, I suppose your definition of mental slavery is that of man's opinion/definition.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Boomshakalacka

Joined: 23 Dec 2003
Posts: 81
Location: in the cleft of the Rock

Posted: 18 Feb 2004 01:10 Post subject: quote

Hi...just wanted to share something.

Quoting Jah Son:
"Did you know that in the Hebrew,
'seraphim' literally means, 'smoke
drinker'? Just a meditative thought."

Thought this was really interesting!
So I've done a l'il meditating on the
Word...

From the book of Isaiah...

In the year that king Uzziah died I
saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne,
high and lifted up, and his train filled
the temple.
Above it stood the seraphim: each one
had six wings; with twain he covered
his face, and with twain he covered
his feet, and with twain he did fly.
And one cried unto another, and said,
Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts:
the whole earth is full of his glory.
And the posts of the door moved at the
voice of him that cried, and the house
was filled with smoke.
Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone;
because I am a man of unclean lips,
and I dwell in the midst of a people of
unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen
the King, the Lord of hosts.
Then flew one of the seraphim unto me,
having a live coal in his hand, which he
had taken with the tongs from off the altar:
And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo
this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity

is taken away, and thy sin is purged.
(Isaiah 6:1-7)

...and I gotta say...umm...I'd
put a big question mark beside a
holy angel of the Most High drinking
in ganja smoke.

I once read a quote by a fellow whose
name I can't recall...but it was something
to the effect of:
"I defend the word of God the same way
I would defend a lion. I just open the cage
and let it out."

Truly..the word stands on it's own!!!!!!!!!!!!

The above passage from Isaiah made me
think of this beautiful song...

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you

To see you high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of your glory.
Lord, Pour out your power and love,
as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy
(you are)
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see you

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you

To see you high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love,
as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see you

I want to see you
(Lord I want to)
I want to see you

Sonicflood...Open The Eyes Of My Heart

in Jesus, <><

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 18 Feb 2004 12:17 Post subject: quote

Cool Poet wrote:

> MD, I don't take to your point of view of this "united churchical" system which you often refer to, and this goes into the 'white jesus' thread as well. The churches out here are not as united in stances as you may think.

I take this as the summary of your writing. You wanted to make clear to me that not all churches say the same and that I can not really therefor speak about "mainstream christianity", right?

I didn't refer to "united churchical", simply to the churchical system. You mention racism and segregation as one of the points which proofs that there is no unification. Can I still not speak about the churchical system and the mainstream christian?

Ofcourse, I know there are differences between baptist and pentacostal. There are also similarities. Simple: otherwise none of them would even call themselves "church". So yes ofcourse there are differences and so yes ofcourse there is a common ground so to speak.

And that is what I refer to when I speak about the churchical

system.

The whole idea of a "church", with audience and a stage containing a man they call reverend (in my language it's even worse and he's called dominee or lord) standing in between The Most High and the populus comes straight out of babylon. Literally.

The bible nowhere speaks about "church" as something else but the totality of the faithful. Not a building with a steeple. So even the single calling of that building with the word "church" is completely unbiblical.

Still it is very very evident that all the churches come from the same root. The established church, the church accepted by babylon system. When you read history you see always that what is called "the church" works hand in hand with the system to keep the people stupid, poor and ignorant.

You speak about the differences and that therefore there is nop unity. But I think it depends what your focus is. When you speak about herb, when you speak about "obeying the system", in other words when you speak about conforming to the system there is a remarkable unity in especially the mainstream "churches".

Mainstream? Yes. Ofcourse! Mainstream simply means where the most people go.

Will you deny (the existance of) the industry they call "CCM" as such, an industry? Will you deny (the existance of) the "TBN" sattelite channels in which the filth in entering the minds of the people, regardless of their denomination? How would you call that?

Ofcourse they have denominations and ofcourse there are congregations that are inline with the Most High and aimed at helping people to develope their own relationship with the Most High, through the work of the Divine Saviour Yesus Kristos. That's not the point. Most of the time these people would deny their building to be a church and they would deny their believe to be

called denomination.

The point remains: 99% of what is called "the church" is against herbsmoking and I think I can therefore very safely speak about a mainstream christianity in this context (and others too, don't challenge me).

Quote:

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How can anyone "rebel" against the "christian church"? What nonsense is that? What authority does this "church" have? To smoke herb is to rebel against babylon system because babylon doesn't want the people to smoke herb, babylon wants the people to eat ritalin. And a lot of "churches" conform to babylon dungstem.

Story (really happenned lately): In my hometown there is a coffeeshop where I go to visit and meeet people and drink the best coffee in town fe real. Yes, this is a typical dutch coffeeshop, when you know what I mean here. I mean that people smoke herb there. Okay? So everytime I left the shop I looked left and I saw this huge sign: "Jesus is the Way the Truth and the Light". For years it was there, until it was no longer there. So at a certain moment I see a group of people in front of that building. I go to them and I asked what happenned to the sign. They said they removed it because "it gave too mich negativity" (LITERALLY!). I was s.h.o.c.k.e.d.! I said to them how can Yesus Kristos be negative? The female (!) spokesman said to me, when I went away to my car, "You did understand it, didn't you" in a somewhat authorative voice.

Now what does that say about "the church"? Mind you, this is a pentecostal church I speak of. I am really angry at them. What a losers, what a bunch of weakhearts. And these are the folks that

do the new banner waiving to scare the duppies, you know.....

I want to rebel against that. I do not want to defend it. I do not want to be a part of that. I do not want to tell people to visit that building called church when they just born again. I seew outside these buildings much more growth.

I see an underground church.

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JAH SON

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Posts: 67
Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 02:28 Post subject: quote

WARRIOR: ITS IN GENESIS 1.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 04:23 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

I have a question for you... Are the Homosexuals that are getting married while it is against the law tearing down Babylon or building it up?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 09:07 Post subject: quote

They're playing like one of them is male and the other female... Homosexuals can't marry, when babylon say so or not. doesn't matter. Marriage is in the sight of JAH and JAH seh batty nah marry....

They're not "chanting down" anything at all.....

And I know why you ask this, however I think there's differences between battyman paractice and smoking herb.

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Posted: 20 Feb 2004 13:27 Post subject: quote

I don't see a lot of differance. Here is why... Both think that their idea of society is best for all. Both see the law as evil. Both will disregard it with out any concern for the fact that law is the only thing that holds society together. They both flaunt the law breaking and mean for us all to just simply comply. In the actions of these people in Califonication is not differant in that the whole movement is based in Rebellion. Their actions are absolutly differant than the folks who are pushing the legaliztion of smoking weed. If people were not smoking and protesting in the mean time until laws are changed I would not feel this way. The tatics are the same. Not the deeds of ofcourse, (though homosexuals are known to be some of the most active users of illegal substances [I wonder if it is not the cover the guilt that they feel for their lifestyle]) I know that you don't like this connection but please explain to me why you think that the principle behind it is differant....

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 420 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 20 Feb 2004 20:22 Post subject: quote Jah Son, I don't think you know my reasoning. I agree that hemp has many great uses and also we (society) should be allowed to use it for it's many uses. I am against smoking it, but you can read many many posts about that on other threads. I used to use hemp salve for my childrens diaper rash and for my chapped lips. I have had hemp clothes which are very durable and I know that hemp produces more cellulose than trees and root structures hold mountain sides together better than tress and on and on and on .... But in Genesis it says ALL seed bearing tress etc... (paraphrase) So is the apple tree also the healing??? COME ON! It does not say in Genesis about it being the healing of the nations. So it is your opinion and only your opinion that this is the case. There is NO biblical proof which lines up with your reasoning. And I will say again IF you are saying the tree in Revelation is what you are talking about then

you would be wrong then also. The tree is JESUS CHRIST and HE alone will heal the nations.

Blaminack

> **Quote:**
>
> I have a question for you... Are the Homosexuals that are getting married while it is against the law tearing down Babylon or building it up?

Blaminack, the bible is clear about homosexual activity. Not so much about weed. That's the way I see it. Anything relating to homosexuality is a part of babylon because it says so in scripture.

As you have read ; I am not FOR smoking weed but it is hard for me to say it is a universal sin because GOD is about a relationship and this relationship is between believers and CHRIST. And if it is not in contradiction of scripture then it is up to us to yield to what the Spirit of GOD is saying. It is not up to us to tell others what GOD'S spirit says to them. I know many people who are struggling with weed. Christians. And therefore I pray that this stuggle will end for them. However, I also know people who do not have convictions about smoking. Christians. But these christians may have convictions about gossip or lying. I will pray for these struggles they have with what they say they need prayer for, not what I think they need prayer for. Do I make sense? I find it hard to write what I want to say.

I do agree with what you saying about justifying sinful ways by saying it is in rebellion of the babylon system. But this is to be expected in these last days. **I AM NOT SAYING IT IS O.K.** But it seems to be more a cultural difference about herb than a universal sin. I think it is simular to alcohol cosumption in Europe also. Many christians do not have a problem with drinking wine. Where as some think we should not drink it at all. WHOSE RIGHT??????

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JAH SON

Joined: 01 Nov 2003
Posts: 67
Location: IN ZION WITH SHILOH

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 22:27 Post subject: quote

INI SAID: ITS IN GENESIS 1

WARRIOR SAID: But in Genesis it says ALL seed bearing tress etc... (paraphrase) So is the apple tree also the healing??? COME ON!

WARRIOR, THIS IS WHY WE CALL IT THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS:

IF THE APPLE TREE WAS AS LUCRATIVE AS HEMP, BABYLON WOULD HAVE A "SECRET MONOPOLY" ON IT TOO. THUS BY ALTERING THE NATURAL ORDER OF THE APPLE TREE, BABYLON WOULD ALTER NATURE'S BALANCE WITH MAN AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE SICKENING (DEATH/ANTI-LIFE) OF JAH LAND.
TO BRING FORWARD THAT NATURAL ORDER, TO RESTORE FULLNESS OF LIFE (CHRIST), WOULD IN ALL TRUTH BE A HEALING UNTO THE NATIONS.
SO YES, I CAN SEE THE LIFE EVEN IN THE APPLE TREE, FIG TREE, AND HEMP TREE.
CAN YOU SEE? THIS IS WHAT IS NOW HAPPENING WITH HEMP!
LIFE IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS.
LIFE IS THE ULTIMATE TYPE OF JESUS CHRIST. BIRTH, DEATH, AND RESSURECTION.
PRESENTLY, THE CORRUPTION IN HIGH PLACES IS CAUSING THE SICKENING (ANTI-LIFE/ANTI-CHRIST) OF JAH NATIONS.
THAT'S WHY WE SAY: "YES THEY KNOW HERB IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS". CAN YOU OVERSTAND INI *NOW*?
YOU YOURSELF KNOW ALREADY THAT THE TREE OF LIFE (CHRIST) IS THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS SPOKEN OF IN REVELATION. **ETERNAL LIFE IS ETERNAL LIFE!** YESTERDAY (PAST), TODAY (PRESENT), AND FOREVER!!

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 23:03 Post subject: quote

Jah Son,
Why do we (people) seem not to communicate "appropriately"? No answer needed.

That is the clearest post I have read from you yet, on this thread. Thank you.

I **overstand** more and more each time/moment that I reason with bredren.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 00:54 Post subject: quote

[Blaminack, the bible is clear about homosexual activity. Not so much about weed. That's the way I see it. Anything relating to homosexuality is a part of babylon because it says so in scripture.]

Yes I agree totally and that is exactly why I asked the questions. I am not saying that they are the same as smoking weed, but the tactics of rebellion is! That is my point. Breaking the law to force a social issue that doesn't lead to Godliness is wrong. The tactics of smoking weed to tear down Babylon is EXACLTY the same tactic of Sodomites marrying to tear down the laws that they disagree with.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 09:34 Post subject: quote

The laws that forbid people to smoke herb are not righteous. Not in motive, not in practice, not in results. So mind what you support.

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Posted: 21 Feb 2004 16:13 Post subject: quote

I am quite sure that the Sodomites belief the same thing about the laws pertaining to them... What are your reasons for disagreement that the tactics are not the same?

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 22 Feb 2004 01:33 Post subject: quote

MD, the issue of the mainstream church taking a stance against herb as far as calling it a sin is understood. Thank goodness we have forums and discussions that we can come together as Rastas and as Christians to exchange thoughts is greater.

I used to wonder in amazement why the Caribbean churches and really conservatives had such a big problem with (true) rastas. If Rastas are as spiritual about their lives and take it seriously there should be a place for debate and discussion, but there was not. You can make quotes about 99% of churches being against herb but I know for a fact that it is not true because I know the people of the church(es) that I have attended. When I started to smoke I was at a Christian school, in a Christian dormitory. What does that say about the people of this "churchical" system? It says that people are the ones who make the decision to smoke or not to.

We church-goers are not a bunch of robots walking in and out of a

building every Sabbath and Sunday worshipping the pastor. There does not even have to be a building with a steeple, but some buildings are like that and some are not. At least that's what I get from what you wrote. We know about evil racist people who claim to be Christians and are leaders and are part of the KKK and all of that stuff, unfortunately it is a part of the church system but that kind of behaviour/lifestlye/belief is not a part of God's will. So the most important thing to recognize is God's will.

I think that it is very appropriate to recognize when Babylon is taking over mindsets and I think that's what your main point is. Also important is to recognize that we fight not against flesh and blood but spiritual wickedness. There is also a time and a place to speak out against these things. For instance I agree with you on TBN's approach, I would do things alot differently myself. But recognize that for every 1 person they bring the message of salvation to there is purpose in their being a TBN. What did Jesus say about the one lost sheep, right?

There are many members in the church that take on the stances and opinions of the pastor/clergy without knowing what they are and why. That to me is nonsense. That shows me that they are empty vessels. But 99%? I don't think so. I alone am not that 1%.

That story that you wrote of the lady that took the sign down is sad and it sounds like it was a politically motivated idea. Sounds like the same issue of the ten commandments debate they had out here awhile back.

Quote:

> Still it is very very evident that all the churches come from the same root. The established church, the church accepted by babylon system. When you read history you see always that what is called "the church" works hand in hand with the system to keep the people stupid, poor and ignorant.

Understood. This is not only in church though. People that are weak minded fall prey to these things and yes the leaders of these churches who do these things will reap god's judgment.

Quote:

> How can anyone "rebel" against the "christian church"? What nonsense is that? What authority does this "church" have? To smoke herb is to rebel against babylon system because babylon doesn't want the people to smoke herb, babylon wants the people to eat ritalin. And a lot of "churches" conform to babylon dungstem.

Alright maybe I did not write that as clearly as I thought. Some rastas "light up the chalice to "bun down rome" which I don't believe to be God's way of dealing with false religion or doctrines. Without digressing into the other threads again, I can't see how God would ask me to do something physically unhealthy for his Kingdom. If you do then I guess I have a problem with God.

What ideas do you have about an underground church? I would like to hear that.

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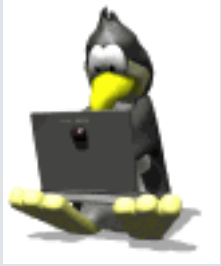

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Feb 2004 18:23 Post subject:

quote

CP, give thanks for another contribution. We had a nice DUB party yesterday, and it's 17.30 here and I err just woke up
But it's allways a nice wake up to read some posting and to reply to it.

Quote:

> You can make quotes about 99% of churches being against herb but I know for a fact that it is not true because I know the people of the church(es) that I have attended.

Okay, what would be your estimation?

Quote:

> When I started to smoke I was at a Christian school, in a Christian dormitory. What does that say about the people of this "churchical" system? It says that people are the ones who make the decision to smoke or not to.

I smoked my first joint age 14 at a pentecostal church festival in the Netherlands. I don't know what that says.... Ofcourse people make the

decision. But what happens if people take that decision and do not plan to play the hypocrite? Sure there are people who smoke and they hide that they smoke because they fear the consequences coming out of the system.

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Yeah, well, I do respect each opinnion when it is argumentated, therefore thoughtfull. As long as people are able to independantly participate in a discussion, I would say these people are not robots at all. And for me to say that going to the building called church is a sin I would not say a thing like that. All I am saying is that this whole churchical system has nothing to do with the biblical definition of church. And every good pastor would agree with that. Every good pastor would agree that the Christians make up the church.

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They are part of what I call the "churchical system", but then I wouldn't call that the church as defined in the Bible. However, if I do identify myself with the churchical system, seeing myself as part of it, I have to deal with the reality of false doctrines and I have to give it it's place too. There is no other way to be able to function in that system. On the other hand you can also visit the denomination-of-your-choice without feeling a part of that system. But you could be able to recognize JAH's church inside of a certain denomination. It might be nitpicking (correct word?) but it is not if you think about the consequences.

For centuries the socalled church has done horrible things. This is now well known to most people on the face of this planet. We now have also the situation in which Christians (feel that they have to) defend all these

things. I do not know how many times I have heard people defending slavery in a way, by saying that "the church" wasn't against slavery because of the thought of that time. Like they were stupid a few centuries ago. But all the way the true Christians have stood up against slavery while the false christians have been using religion to keep people down.

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BINGO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Yesus said that HE HIMSELF would find that sheep. He did not say that the wolfes would find the sheep. Yesus said about TBN that they go all over the world to find disciples in order to make them worse then they are themselves.

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To me it concerns me that these people are maintaining their dependancy without any sign from the pastor that they should find out stuff for themselves?

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Sounds like that thing I heard, they wanted me to perform somewhere

but said I shouldn't speak about JAH too much because of the satanists in the audience and they could be hurted

Quote:

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> Understood. This is not only in church though. People that are weak minded fall prey to these things and yes the leaders of these churches who do these things will reap god's judgment.

Will they also be identified by us? Will they be exposed?

Quote:

> What ideas do you have about an underground church? I would like to hear that.

I have an idea that this will be the future church all over the planet. As we are heading towards a satanic world government (and I hope that everyone sees that) it is clear that the church has to forward without the system. All the established churches are infiltrated by new age style doctrines and principals, pretty soon a registration and all that comes, then babylon knows who visits which church. You can't trust a church that has a marriage with the babylonian system. So in short, I think the underground church is the church that babylon can never identify. For the rest, I suggest you read something about Richard Wurmbrand and so on. I believe the time is near that truly believing in Yesus Kristos as the DIVINE Lord and Saviour, the only Way, will be outlawed.

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One Love,

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How the colors red, yellow and green relate to christianity?

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Author	Message
Future Prodigy Joined: 29 Jul 2004 Posts: 33	Posted: 29 Jul 2004 23:21 Post subject: How the colors red, yellow and green relate to christianity? quote Im confussed when i see various christian gospel reggae artists wearing shirts that have the lion (which i can see how is Jesus) with the colors red, yellow and green. Don't these colors say basically represent africa? If so how can all these white people wear them? I don't mean to sound racist, im just confussed how it relates christianity... i can understand it from a rasta prospective. Do you guys believe all men originated from black men, etc? I can't understand why people who are no african decent wear the colors of the county. I can't word what im trying to say but basically what do the colors mean to a person like myself, being a non black, non rasta, born and raised Candian citizen from a Europian caucasian decent? p.s if i came across rude, racist or anythign... thats not how i meant it to be... i just want to be enlightend on what the colors mean and what significane they have to a person liek myself.
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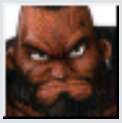

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 00:08 Post subject: Re: How the colors red, yellow and green relate to christian

quote

> **Future Prodigy wrote:**
>
> Don't these colors say basically represent africa? If so how can all these white people wear them?

Green, gold, and red are the colors of Ethiopia. Green, black, and red are the colors of the back-to-Africa movement (c.f. Marcus Garvey). Green, gold, and black are the colors of Jamaica.

They have different interpretations in different groups. E.g. some interpret green, black, and red as the green of Africa's lush vegetation (obviously applies only to regions), black as the color of African people, and red as the color of martyrs' blood. Christafari has their own interpretation in the FAQ: http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da3334010000980066/Red,+Yellow+&+Green.html

You will find that Christian reggae fans often revere Emperor Haile Selassie as an exemplary Christian monarch of our era, and sometimes even an ikon of Jah, though they do not worship him as Jah.

As for white people wearing African colors, it is worthwhile to note that all human beings originally migrated from Africa, including people of the whitest shades of pale. The difference in pigmentation among humans is a very recent development in the history of our species.

And, scientifically speaking, there is no such thing as "races." It's an ideological reality (almost always used to perpetuate injustices), not a biological one.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 04:22 Post subject:

quote

Great answer Jonagus.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 05:08 Post subject: quote

His answer is not a great answer it is evolutionary theory!

First of all....The theory that all people migrated from Africa is evolutionary theory.....Not Biblical!

Second....God made all races at the same time.....The development of pigmentation is not recent.....God created different peoples with different pigments.....The theory that all pigments came from one "Mother" pigment is evolutionary theory.....Not Biblical!

His answer is not a great answer it is evolution!

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Future Prodigy

Joined: 29 Jul 2004
Posts: 33

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 06:11 Post subject: quote

jonagus - do you believe in the genesis account of creation? Ive heard the theory of us all being from afirca but it seems rather hard to believe we all came from there and we now have so many different pigments (in just a couple thousand years).

If one was to say the genesis account was false then i could see how that theory could be true.. but for one to believe in the biblical account it seems rather unlikely.

What are your opinions... id like to hear others thoughts on this topic as well. I liek this board where followers of Christ can come together and talk intelligently.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 06:56 Post subject: quote

He says he believes in The Bible....But then he comes up with this evolution stuff??

His theory is FAR from Biblical....And it seems Blaminack supports it as well.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 30 Jul 2004 15:00 Post subject: quote

Gen 2:10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.
Gen 2:11 The name of the first is Pison: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;
Gen 2:12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.
Gen 2:13 And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.
Gen 2:14 And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.
Gen 2:15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

Ray the problem has NOTHING to do with Evolution. It has to do with Bible interpretation. This verse makes it plain that ALL HUMANS came from East Africa/Arabia so I do in fact see what the problem is. It is your chronic misinterpretation of Scripture. I believe that God started with ONE MAN. You do not. It HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH EVOLUTION.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 23:43 Post subject: How To Witness To A Christafarian quote CHRISTAFARIANISM or “Don’t Be A Rasta, Be Like A Rasta” An analysis of and alternative to the meditations of Christafari WRITTEN BY MESSIAN DREAD, THE NETHERLANDS, OCTOBER 2001 - OCTOBER 2004 In what arguably could be called the first serious study of the Christafari phenomenon, Messian Dread tells the story of his seven yearlong research into this controversy. He reports from the frontline he’s been on from 2001 until 2004, studying and communicating Christafarians on their own ground.By analysing publications and where necessary getting additional information, digging through the distractions and contradictions, a bigger picture comes to the surface which has never before been so clearly exposed.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 23:44 Post subject: quote

HOW TO WITNESS TO A CHRISTAFARIAN

When one browses through the Christafari website, reading all the material that we are discussing in this essay, one finally lands on the Christafari message boards.
This is where much communication goes on.
There are three people working for Christafari as “moderators”, at least two of them convinced Christafarians.
In a place on the Forum with the name “Witnessing to Rastas” you can also participate in what is called “Rasta and Ganja Reasoning”.
This is where I have spent hundreds of hours since I originally wrote my essay, then an 18-page article.
Throughout a few years I was reading, writing and reasoning there directly with Christafarians on their own ground. This enabled me to study and document Christafarianism even further.

While they were fiercely “witnessing to Rastas”, I was trying to find out how to witness to a Christafarian.
Not that they were really “witnessing to Rastas”, and not that I found out how to witness to a Christafarian.
In that I miserably failed, I must confess.
But nevertheless I was provided with a first row seat in the Christafari laboratory while the fruits of this evangelical correct mix of “Rastafari” and “Christianity” materialized before my very eyes.
I documented the manifestation of the fears in my vision as I saw Rastafarians who attempted to reason with the Christafarians, trying to address the very same points addressed in this essay with a kind of humbleness I can only write about, leaving the place in a silence that can only be interpretate as a state of total shock.
Cold shivers ran over my back every time a Christafarian denied the faith of a brother in Kristos just because this brother is a Rastafarian.
Horror filled me when provocateurs were given free speech to express disdain over almost every aspect of Rastafari, using the teachings of Christafari to proof their points to an audience that was absolutely not hindered by the presence of any knowledge concerning that very movement they imitate to feel good in their own world at the expense of their Christian Idren in Rastafari.
My friends punched me hard to proof that I wasn’t dreaming when Christafari took away the Name of JAH in their future releases only to stick with a word “God”, which has a pagan etymological background, in an attempt to stop Christafarians from becoming “too rasta”.
Where the name JAH is a thousand times more valid to describe the Most High then the word “God”, making it one of the last valid points within Christafarianism, it turned out that in order to continue Christafarianism, only the “christafarized” aspects of Rastafari can remain.
I broke my mind over the question how to break through this matrix where the Christafarians experience their virtual reality in.
My mind went back in time to re-experience the years in which I came to know this phenomenon in the hope to find an answer.
Being from an evangelical back ground myself, and because of my Jah given identity having connections with the movement of Rastafari too, I became aware of the controversies that follow Christafari wherever they go shortly after my introduction to “the first American Christian reggae

band".
As far back as 1996 I initially did some "damage control" for Christafari on several occasions in which Rastafarians expressed their outrage over publications about Christafari in which the movement of Rastafari was being discredited in what later turned out to be the house style of the Christafarians.
I have already mentioned the article in which Rastafari was portrayed as a group of people supporting to kill all white people. There was another article in which Christafari was described laughing over the death of Bob Marley.
My "damage control" consisted out of contacting Mark Mohr and asking him to rectify the statements in the articles. Back then I really couldn't believe that someone who I thought was a Yesus Dread would actually discredit the movement of Rastafari in Christian publications.
Although he did express that he was not the source of the information and that he also had never laughed over Bob Marley's death, this was being done in the same way as it is done today. Public statements for the massive and private statements for damage control.
I'm prepared to help an overzealous brother who makes mistakes out of the trouble he's gotten himself into and I'm willing to go far for that.
Twice I told my Rastafarian brothers about the private emails I received. When it happened a third time I woke up and smelled the coffee.
The coffee did its work. I began a seven yearlong journey to find out why there was little use in trying to ease the pressure between Christafari and Rastafarians.
What I thought were incidents caused by an overzealous ignorant American Christian reggae band had begun to form a pattern.
A pattern we know have come to know under the name of Christafarianism.
It is the philosophy that we saw exposed in this essay for what it is, the "culture" that is created to forward Christafari into the CCMIC mainstream at the expense of so many people who suffer directly because of it.
Christafarianism directly denies the faith of those within the movement of Rastafari, even those who can be considered a Christian.
Christafarianism similarly labels everybody who criticizes it as an enemy of Christianity.

These expenses are kind of high in my estimation.
But without these expenses, it is impossible for Christafarianism to exist.
From the name to the game to the fame, everything is based on an alleged gap between Christianity and Rastafari.
And no effort, so it seems, is spared to maintain that gap.
Fill that gap intellectually and you directly take away the foundation on which Christafarianism rests.
Fill that gap by simply existing with your Jah given identity as a Yesus Dread and find yourself back as involuntary subject of public “scrutiny” in which it doesn’t even matter what you say about Yesus Kristos or Selassie, the absence of an anti marijuana stance is enough to “doubt your salvation”.
So I didn’t only document and observe what was going on, I actively and passively participated in discussions and debates about almost every subject you can think of in this context.
Until I found that statement by Christafari, literally stating that Christafarianism was nothing more and nothing less than the culture Christafari created with their fan base to get a place at the top of the CCMIC, the Christian Contemporary Musical Industrial Complex.
Then I realized why there is little use to try to ease the pressure between Rastafarians and Christafari.
But that doesn’t say a thing about the Christafarians!
As we saw before, the Christafarians are taken into a certain mindset that pictures Rastafarians as enemies of Yesus Kristos, ready to use violence against the Christians.
Can we blame the Christafarian when all the info he gets comes from evangelical sources?
No.
But we also shouldn’t leave the Christafarian in the position in which he finds himself in now.
The crucial question is: how do we achieve that?
I found out the hard way, what shouldn’t be done in order to get the Christafarian out of the dangerous position he unknowingly finds himself in?
Before you know it you find yourself in the middle of a debate in which you will never be able to reach to the point because of the many distractions.

It can't be done by writing letters to Christafari in which it is explained how the definition of Rastafari and the methodology of "witnessing to Rastas" have no biblical and logical basis, because at best you'll get a private response.
It can't also be done by trying to publicly debate Christafari associates, regardless of the abundance of argumentation, in the hope that the thirsty Christafarian who reads along realizes his thirst.
But it can be done if we witness to the Christafarian.
Show him how to drink, not only where the water is. Drink from the water of your argumentation. Witness what the water does with you.
He will then realize his thirst and wonder how he could ever been so blind to deny the faith of so many of his Brothers and Sisters in Yesus Kristos who are born again through Messiah Yeshua just as he.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 18:16 Post subject: quote

WOAH! And I thought this time you spent here was for the pure reasonings not to use those you reason with as guinea pigs for your little discover channel search for the long lost christafarian! Baaahhh I feel sheepish!

I know you have described a christafarian but I am still confused with what one of these creatures is.

> **Quote:**
> He will then realize his thirst and wonder how he could ever been so blind to deny the faith of so many of his Brothers and Sisters in Yesus Kristos who are born again through Messiah Yeshua just as he.

I guess alot would not be "argued" if any of either "named party" would just come out and say that they ARE born again through Messiah Yeshua instead of trying to prove that the other is incorrect about the

geneologies, blood line names, herbal use, etc.....

I thought this is what reasoning is.....to discuss things with brothhers and sisters to trully find a common ground. Now that common ground should be the rock of our salvation Yeshua the Messiah. However, when one says that the Messiah is someone other than JAH in the flesh (Yesus the Christ) then it is hard to call them a brother in one faith when their very faith is in something other than Yesus.

But I remember once last year when I got alittle soft and wrote something like "Atleast we won't be arguing when Yesus has come back to reclaim this place as His own and we are in the new Jerusalem".

And you told me that this was what reasoning was. I thought I was overstanding what you told me. (you probably don't remember this)

But now I have been deceived (I feel) because you were not teaching me or anyone to reason but it seems you were just baiting your hook.

I personally do not know what a christafarian is and I don't really care to know. One thing I do know is that I will find it harder to simply open up and "debate" "discuss" "reason" about scriptures,culture etc.....Knowing that there may be an agenda (other than pure reasoning) with the person I am "talking" with.[/i]

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 19:28 Post subject: quote

warrior, before you critisize have you read through the pamphelt/book? I think you would be surprised. I have skimmed through some of it and will hold my comments till I finish reading the whole thing. He put alot of work into this. The comments in his post are somewhat of a summary but the pamphlet explains alot more.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 19:44 Post subject: quote

Coolpoete,
I really didn't mean to critisize. I feel very "used" and I was expressing that frustration.

My apologies to Messian Dread.
I have gained much respect for Messian Dread and Jah has used him to show me things that I have not yet heard or seen. But I feel now that it was done in vain if he was only reasoning to draw conclusions about his study of "christafarians".

And I personally do not want to be lumped into any certain group of believers because of what I have posted on this web site. And I believe he is saying a simular statement with certain accusations about ras ta farians being thrown around here and every where else for that matter.

I ask questions and present statemants because I am confused on why people believe things. Or say they follow ways or teachings. Or why people hold so strongly to things which seem so meaningless to me.

No, I haven't read it all and I will download it and print it. Maybe not today but after the weekend.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 19:45 Post subject: quote

I agree w/ coolpoete. If you don't read the information before you post, you are only enforcing some of the information contained in the booklet. If you go into defense mode before you read the material, how can you inteligently discuss it? You can't.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 483
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 20:02 Post subject: quote

And it's going to take a long time to read, but I'm looking forward to it.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 417
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 15 Oct 2004 21:40 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah

> **Quote:**
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> I agree w/ coolpoete. If you don't read the information before you post, you are only enforcing some of the information contained in the booklet. If you go into defense mode before you read the material, how can you inteligently discuss it? You can't.

What? I did read the info. I was posting only on what I read. There is nothing wrong with that. I will read it, but I posted about what I read.

I apologized for any way that I offended Messian.

But thanks for the input aaronjudah, nothing like beating a dead horse.

I just downloaded it and it will be read.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 417 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 15 Oct 2004 22:26 Post subject: quote I have read the first 3 chapters and like I said I respect and enjoy Messians reasonings. However, the last year and a half I have heard all this from him through his reasonings on this forum and as a visitor on the dubroom. So far I am not reading anything new (except for the Buju incident, I had no idea). I will read the rest and continue my posting. _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 00:40 Post subject: quote

Warrior: The posting here is an excerpt, just a chapter. Be it a closing chapter. Ofcourse it enters somewhere in the middle.

If you feel you are not a part of a group then you do you feel adressed to?

In the chapter, which is written a bit illustrative, it is made clear that i was not the one "guinea pigging". It's not my laboratory. As you can read I said I was sitting on the seat while seeing the results of someone else's experiment come to existance and i tried to prevent the most worst results.

My "experiment" is trying to find ways to communicate. Trying to find the situation for reasoning.

I found myself as part of discussion before I posted here too.

Thank you for reading.

And not banning me yet

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Messian Dread.
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 03:28 Post subject: quote

I am on page 21 and haven't found anything that has not been said already. So I doubt that a banning is going to transpire.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 05:27 Post subject: quote

Jetze, I just finished reading your essay. I made a few notes on some points that I would like to discuss.

I understand the points made quite clearly. I found the parts about the CCM very interesting, though I don't agree with all of the points there, I do agree with much, and that is in part why I don't listen to CCM music much.

I also agree with parts about what you call Xianity, that I call Churchianity.

By the way, I am by no means a "convinced Christafarian" if you were refering to me (and I am sure that you were) in the Wintessing to Christafarian section.

One small critique that I would like to make is that you have lumped so many of the people here into the "Christafarian" idea that I think that you have made some of the stereotyping mistakes that you accuse LOZ of in regards to the percieved view of Rasta.

I will get in to more of this tommorow night.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 14:33 Post subject: quote

I had planned to post an extended response to M. Dread's booklet (very interesting and well thought out). However, I've decided against it.

After reading this booklet of Messian Dread, Reading a copy of Mark Mohr's planned book (sent to me by Mohr), reading some private correspondence sent to me by individuals who wanted the info to remain confidential, I have decided that LOZ and Xfari are not a wise place to expend energy any longer.

Mohr and the message of Xfari are full of contradictions and confusing messages. I can only assume that the moderators on

this board have been kept in the dark about certain topics or feel it necessary to "defend" Xfari against perceived enemies of the gospel.

When I see the information that is portrayed in the public and then balance it against what goes on in private, I can only conclude that Mohr is Babylonian and/or confused or worried about guaranteeing concert dates and cd sales in the Xian market. I am going to assume that he is simply confused.

Messian Dread's booklet is too polite in his handling of the Xfari issue. This is just my opinion.

1. Mohr was never a RasTafari. Read his interviews/bios and do the math. 1 1/2 years of livity all before he was 18. Think about it.
2. The FAQ's will never be updated. I would bet money on this.
3. He rarely engages in the RasTafari dialogue (In more ways than simply this forum.)

Honestly, I don't even want to finish this list. I've got enough information from people to raise all sorts of issues, but it's not worth it. In order to verify some of the things that I would say, I would have to name the people that told me. My intention is to leave Mohr and his fans and supporters to their own devices.

Everyone says this when they get frustrated and then change their minds, but this is my last post. Xfari, Xfarians, LOZ is some sort of machine of misinformation.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 15:15 Post subject: quote

Bill wrote:

> **Quote:**
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> One small critique that I would like to make is that you have lumped so many of the people here into the "Christafarian" idea that I think that you have made some of the stereotyping mistakes that you accuse LOZ of in regards to the percieved view of Rasta.

Yes, I feel this too. Messian and I have not hadmnay conversations. Recently there was one where some differences were settled but besides that most of what he knows of me is just speculation.

I am by no means a "Christafarian." I do not follow the teachings of Mark Mohr as Messian Dread seems to think that I do. Mark Mohr is a friend but I do not think he is always right nor do I agree with everything he says. I am a follower of Christ. I am a Christian. And I realize that the term Christian is also thrown around a lot nowadays too, so what I mean by that is someone who has put their faith in the messiah Jesus Christ, Yesus, Yeshua, the Prince of Peace, the Son of God who became a man to die and save humanity from an eternity of condemnation, and rose again and now sits at the right side of God the Father. Who was and is, and is to come again.

Christ is my Lord and His word is the first and final authority of my life.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 16 Oct 2004 16:32 Post subject: quote

I overstand what Aaron Judah is talking about. Not that I know the correspondence he has, but I have similar correspondence here. I also know things that, let's say, motivates me to state what I state.

The point is that these things do confirm the conclusion and analysis, but they are kind of personal as they involve privacy-sensitive information.

Apart from the fact that it is very indecent to use privacy-sensitive material, it is also unneccesary for a variety of reasons.

Yes, indeed, politeness is an issue. Yes I agree my essay is too polite. I have intended it to be like that. And I thank Aaron Judah for recognizing that I am not in some vendetta and that my drive is love, not hate. Additionally, I think that the points which I bring forward are sufficient for people to start digging a little further, also within themselves.

JP, the essay is not about you. I quoted you just one time as far as I'm concerned, and that quote was a public quote in which you stated something which speaks for itself.

That said.....

It is interesting to see how the first reactions are more or less "Not me, I'm not a part of this in what you write".

And this even summons every reaction.

So for one time, there seems to be forming some unity.

Very interesting indeed.

Because it shows, that the points which are adressed in the essay, in themselves are not questioned.

Now please quote me wrong.

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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Talawa

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 59
Location: Sweden

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 00:15 Post subject: I hope it´s not to late... quote

I just want to say thank you for your work on this subject MD. I have downloaded your book and read some of it. I will study it carefully later on. To communicate and reason is crucial if we want to go forward in life. Some thoughts came up in my mind when I read your work and the posts here.

I respect rasta a lot. For my self it was rasta who started the journey who finally brought me to Jesus Christ. Rasta has given me a wider understanding of the world. Reggae has since I started to listen to it (about 1980) become a part of my identity. For me reggae is THE music. What I know about rasta I have learned from rastalyrics. The love for reggae was one reason that made me go to Zimbabwe (in 1988) as a student. The three month journey was the best school I had in my life. It was also there in a small village in northeastern Nyanga I first experienced the faith in Christ. The singing of psalms in the evenings. The reading of the Bible. The church who gathered under a tree in the wilderness on sunday. I felt the togetherness in Christ! Since then, years have passed and I have found Yeshua myself.

There are many difficult questions when it comes to the dark side of faith. What about wrongdoings in the name of God? Why is the church divided? False prophets. Bloodshed. Hate...

But,

reggae is the music with a message, sings Bunny Wailer, if I remember it correct. There is a lot of things that need to be told. Reggae as the voice for justice, peace and happiness. Bringing good news, the Gospel, to the people. As a christian I was happy to find Christafari because they did reggae for Christ. Rastasingers always chanted Selassie I and praise Jah Tafari! Christafari did not

and for me there was a difference. Anyway all was well for some time. Then it was this reggae sunsplash tour (as you mention in your book) and Banton went mad at Mohr...

Rasta vs Christianity?

It was easy to see that things were changing from bad to worse.

At the different forums on the web there were a lot of harsh words about Christafari, even hatred. Some wanted Mark dead. I asked myself why?

MD, if we are so close to one another when it comes to faith as you say in your book how come we are so badly separated?

And what about Papa San, Stitchie and Ziggy Soul among others are they also "wolfs in sheep clothing"?

Christianity vs Rasta?

I would love to see a respectfull dialog between rasta and christianity.

I hope it´s not to late.

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"It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

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Author	Message
perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 17 Oct 2004 02:29 Post subject: quote blessed love, deh dialouge dat ones want between Rases who view H.I.M. as deh Almighty and 1st advent Christians should in essence come down to principles. Ini have a 1st advent Christian bredren who Ini would give I life for but deh only difference between us is deh way we end our prayers. deh concepts of church/body/fellowship/prayer/holding a meditation/do unto others/livity/shining unu light are deh foundation for both walks but deh manner and name in which deh are done becomes deh issue. II Yohn 7 says dat "many deceivers are entered into deh world, who confess not dat Je-sus Christ is come in deh flesh. dis is a deceiver and an antichrist." now how would ones feel if Ini apply Ini knowledge and replace Je-sus wid Haile Selassie I? more dan a few of you would be vexed or feel dat Ini am changing deh scriptures or blaspheming! deh point is at ones get caught up in deh name instead of deh

message/instructions dat deh name brought forth. if Ini am a coach, which I am, Ini would rather my players to rememba and utilize my instructions rather speak my name whenever a sports conversation occurs. Ini would rather deh validity of Ini instructions cause ones to ask "who taught you dis?", den deh name becomes pertinent.
we need mo heartical reasonings because in deh end dat is what Jah judges.
Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

_____
"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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JuHok
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Aug 2003
Posts: 179
Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 11:56 Post subject: quote

I read that whole thing yesterday and it was very interesting. There were some points that has some problems with them. Like not defining who are the "christafarian", like are they the ignorant christafari fans who dress up to look like a RasTa, not knowing what's really going on of what? Ofcourse next problem accures when you put them all in the same box, but I guess that's a must to get an overall picture of the situation. The thing that I now would like to read is Mohrs answer to this booklet as it is really mostly about him and his works and ideas.

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In only one name.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 13:01 Post subject: quote

And it goes on. Nobody is questioning my analysis of Christafarianism and Christafarians. Everybody seems to agree that ***what*** I describe is rejectable.

And that is the point which I try to make throughout the entire essay.

The denial is more that everybody is hasting themselves to disidentify from this description when it comes to identifying themselves.

Let me please explain this.

Talawa: the mistake you make is exactly what Christafarianism wants. You equate Christafarianism with Christianity. Christafari constantly repeats how they are the victims of terrorist Rastas who hate their being a Christian.

I say there is a huge difference between Christafari and Christianity. Withion Christianity you will find Christafarians and Rastafarians, but you will not find Christafarians in Rastafari and you will not find Rastafarians in Christafari.

Now it is Christafarianism that denies the faith opf their brothers and sisters in Rastafari by allways making the seperation Rasta-Christianity. You see it here ALL the time. This is the mind set. You have christians and you have rastas.

But this is the problem.

Because this all is not about Christianity vs Rastafari.

This is about Christafarianism, using both Christianity and Rastafari for their own goals.

And this is documented.

But the mind set in which the evangelicals are in ensures that it takes a while before this is all realized.

You speak about "wolves in sheeps clothing" but you can not say that I directly call Christafari that. I describe what the Romans do and what the New Agers do, which is the same thing as what Mark Mohr himself calls "creating a culture in our fan base called christafarianism" (Literal quote).

As with many things in the essay, I just provide some information and I will not tell you what to think. I think you got to check out what I wrote, check out the links, I have mirrors on my site and please check that too. Check out the quotes, check them in context, and I guarantee you that not only will you find that I have not taken anything out of context, you will find even worse things than the ones I mention.

Juhok:
Christafari (TM, did you know?), Christafarianism and Christafarians. Neither of the three terms I invented. All of them come out of the creative mind of Mark Mohr.

Christafari is the HQ, the roots, the center. From Christafari came Christafarianism, which are obviously the meditations and philosophies which explain the existance of Christafari and a proposal of a certain bible interpretation which people can accept as treaching. After all, Mark Mohr is a pastor. And it is obvious that the ones who are positively towards this christafarianism are the christafarians.

I did not invent this, I just documented this.

You say I do not define the Christafarians. I think you meant to say, identify them by name. Which is a thing I will not do publically.

With two exceptions, but then we speak about people who associate themselves with Christafari by performing some work for the HQ as "moderators" on the field where Christafari communicates with their fan base and where some criticasters sometimes are.

But you can not say I do not define Christafarian. The only thing

you can do is checking yourself and realize that what I say has no value, but what JAH says is value!

Here I define Christafarians.

Since Christafari calls their fans and following "Christafarians ",
http://dubroom.org/christafari/page08.htm

And where we saw a rise of “Heavenly Metallers” in the 1980’s, Christian Heavy Metal lovers looking just like their Satanistic counterparts, today we see a carefully crafted rise of Christafarians, Christian Reggae lovers “looking just like” their Rastafarian “counterparts”.
The Christafarians , or the “fan base” of Christafari. They hardly know anything about Rastafari or reggae. They listen to Christafari and read the statements in articles and on websites and booklets published by Christafari themselves and that is their source of knowledge and information.
http://dubroom.org/christafari/page09.htm

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 13:37 Post subject: quote

Ok you said that no one is disputing the "facts" of your essay and that no one wants to be a part of it.

Here is the truth. Some of the points were valid, some were not. You make several things part of this that are purposly disgusting!

The footnote that you included about Black Uhuru being made into white Uhuru was out of line as it was not made by anyone here, or Christafari and some people are going to think that it was said here. I know that you did it just to plant that idea.

On Pg 7 you quote Selassie COMPLETELY incorrectly, but you do have agenda to follow...
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You WILL NOT FIND ME SAYING THIS IS RASTA, and I am thinking that most Rastas will not either.

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JuHok
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Aug 2003
Posts: 179
Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 14:28 Post subject: quote

MD: I like specific lists when defining something. No I wasn't waiting for you to point out the christafarian people, like "You and you and you are...". I just wanted a more specific defination of what's a "basic christafari" like. If I understood it correctly "a basic christafari" in your opinion is:

a) A Christafari (the band) fan
b) A christian
c) Looking like a RasTa
d) Liking reggae
e) Not really knowing that much about RasTafari
f) Getting all of the information about RasTafari from LOZ
g) Believing in the division between RasTafari and Christianity
h) Ignorant to the facts about modern day RasTafari

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In only one name.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 14:38 Post subject: quote

Bill makes some good points.

I'll come back a little later (got to go to church).

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Talawa

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
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Location: Sweden

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 14:40 Post subject: quote

First of all MD, I do not equate Christafarianism with Christianity. This is a misunderstanding. My own understanding of the christian faith was taught to me through followers of Christ, reading the Bible and praying. Christafari´s music and lyrics was an extra dimension to what I already believed. Their lyrics have inspired me a lot.

MD you wrote: "I say there is a huge difference between Christafari and Christianity."

Is that not the same thing with Rastafari and Christianity? Or should I equate Rastafari and Christianity?

Then you wrote: "Now it is Christafarianism that denies the faith of their brothers and sisters in Rastafari by allways making the seperation Rasta -Christianity. You see it here ALL the time. This is the mind set. You have christians and you have rastas."

Personally I see everyone that confess Yeshua as their one and only saviour as my brother and sister. My faith is also that there are even more people that I am not conscious of who is my brothers and sisters because Jah sees what´s in their hearts and I do not.

"Because this all is not about Christianity vs Rastafari."

When I wrote; Rasta vs Christianity? it was my way to "underline" and question the whole thing. Is this really what´s it all about?

MD: "You speak about "wolves in sheeps clothing" but you can not say that I directly call Christafari that."

No I don´t say that you do! But some rastas writing at forums do. The thing seems, for these rastas, to be that if you are not a black person from Jamaica then you should not wear dreads or play reggae. Because that is rasta culture and thats it! Am I wrong? What about the other artists I mentioned? What is the major difference between

them and Christafari?

MD: "As with many things in the essay, I just provide some information and I will not tell you what to think. I think you got to check out what I wrote, check out the links, I have mirrors on my site and please check that too."

I really appreciate your work MD even if I don´t agree at times. I will study your essay carefully. I do also think that your website is very interesting in many aspects.

Jah guidance!

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"It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

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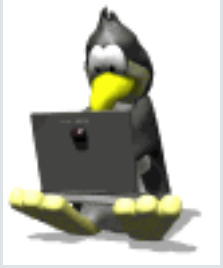

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 15:41 Post subject:

quote

The reason why you are not quoting me is because you can't quote me wrong. And you can't. I can quote you wrong.

> **Quote:**
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> The footnote that you included about Black Uhuru being made into white Uhuru was out of line as it was not made by anyone here, or Christafari and some people are going to think that it was said here. I know that you did it just to plant that idea.

Let's quote the footnote, shall we?

> **Quote:**
>
> "Black" and "White" in reggae-music is often referring to the colour of human skin. In the world of Satanism, in essence a white religion in its present existence, "black" refers to the devil and "white" refers to God. I once heard a Christian from the Christian Metal scene pray to God, that "Black Uhuru" might become "White Uhuru". This was one of the funniest prayers I had ever heard thus far, be it not so tragically. http://dubroom.org/christafari/page06.htm#_ftn1

This was an illustration of the ignorance towards Rastafari Culture

in the Christian Heavy Metal Culture. I am saying that this culture can not be a valid inspiration for "methods of communicating" with Rastafarians. That is my point.

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Yes, he said "I met certain Rastafarians and I have told them clearly that I am a man and that man should not worship man". So? What's your point? That I say that Selassie acknowledged that there are Rastafarians who do not believe him to be God? The fact is that there are Rastafarians who do not believe Selassie to be God. Unless you want to deny that there are Rastafarians who do not believe to be Jah, or unless you want to say that Haile Selassie did not know this, I do not see an argument in your words.

Quote:

> But you did the same thing in relation to the Twelve Tribes Members Email quote that Mark sent. What is your purpose in twisting what Selassie said? It is so that you can make an incorrect point

I quoted the 12 tribes as it came. What is shown is that Mark Mohr in every publication I get under my eyes, including his work christ and tafari which he plans to release in the future, says that Rastas believe Selassie to be God. He apologizes and in his few moments on this website may write an occasional rectification but in the public the slandering continues.

You can see that Mark Mohr speaks about Rastafarians and he says that is because "many, not all" or "most" in his idea fit the definition he gives. So what I quote wrong?

Shouldn't I say that Selassie knew that there are Rastas who do not believe in him as Jah? Or do you want me to continue the

christafarlie?

Why do you think Christafari says that Christian Rastafarians are deceivers and yet in private mail acknowledges that he misrepresents the faith of these very same people?

Why doesn't he aopologies in public, throughout the christian media he knows to find so easily otherwise, that he misrepresents the faith of his brethren all the time, calling them deceivers? What is the deceit? The deceit is in the double tongue of Christafari.

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That is your opinnion. You describe a false teacher who consciously preaches a false teaching and what will happen to his followers. I just know that Selassie is not against Yesus, and that Rastafarians are not against Yesus. I haven't seen Selassie revealed as the antichrist. I haven't seen him doing anything to teach that he is Christ. I know what Yesus says to people who are not against Him. They are before Him. I know what people will hear when they have even given a drop of goodness for the least of His brethren (we).

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It's simple. If someone believes that Yesus is saying a thing, a

thing which He did not say, does this someone believe Yesus wrong or in a wrong Yesus?

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Well the same as what I would tell you.

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Tell Christafari to make that exact same distinction in the media. They got a lot of wrongs to right. Tell that to yourselves each time you use the term "rastas". Yes, for the purpose of accuracy.

Ofcourse you can speak about "the Rastas" but you can not say "the Rasta believes Selassie to be God".

> **Quote:**
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> Now for the idea that I am a convinced "Christafarian". Have you ever seen a picture of me?

You can deny being a Christafarian but with that you admit the wrongness of Christafarianism in itself.

So pick your choice and act.....

You are a convinced Christafarian because you work for Christafari as a moderator on this forum where the message of Christafari meets the public online. That is ofcourse a clear indication that you like to associate yourself with Christafari. You choose to work for Christafari where there are also other Christian groups with Reggae that could use your works so much more then the work you do here. Whenever I critisize Christafari you will come with a

defense of Christafari.

Quote:

> Explain how I have tried to appear as a Sheep in Wolves clothing!!

(see previous reply to others)

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> Every one that knows me, know s up front, who I am and what I am about. But you say that is about earing down Rasta. THere is nothing further from the truth. The ONLY agenda on my part is to show those that don't know the truth, the Christ of the Bible to people who need Him.

Oh yes I agree you are much more verbal then some others and that you are not afraid to hide your opinnion and I respect you for doing so. But when you think that the reason why Christafari walks and talks and looks like a Rasta is a valid one, you do support a philosophy that I think is using that particular method which you describe.

Again, this is not about sharing the Gospel. This is about the reason why Christafari walks and talks and looks like a Rasta. And the two are different. That is another one of my points in my essay.

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I am happy you see it as an accusation! Where I found Mark Mohrs written confession to the accusation, you deny it. So you see the badness.
I challenge you to put your words to action for you would have stood up and cheered after reading my essay. Because Christafari is actively doing what you say you would have stood up and

cheered for if exposed.

Quote:

> I am still amazed that you included the quote from the website http://www.unn13.com/
> Are you REALLY saying that this is true Rasta teaching? If so then much of your article has to be thrown out...

Now here we see why you do not quote me wrong. For if you would, it would be clear that I anticipated this when I wrote the text. I will quote it.

There are many artists without any affiliation to the movement of Rastafari using the language and the symbols nevertheless, for commercial gain .

Quote:

> These people are called "riding along the Rastaman bandwagon ".
>
> In a way, Christafarianism is doing the same thing.
>
> And this doesn't go unnoticed.
>
> One Rasta website describes Christafarianism like this: (using) "the image/ideology of Rastafari to denounce Haile Selassie the father of the order to convert Rasta to the religion of a fictitious Christ is a crime against the Rastafari movement .[10]"
>
> These are really hard words! Hard to swallow, and some might even think that this judgment is coming from a militant and extreme faction within Rastafari and would therefore not represent the common sentiment within the movement.
>
> But every Rastafarian that I asked, or heard, has this same reaction to Christafarianism.
>
> Without even one exception!

http://dubroom.org/christafari/page06.htm

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I am saying that they are "a militant and extreme faction within Rastafari "

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> You WILL NOT FIND ME SAYING THIS IS RASTA, and I am thinking that most Rastas will not either.

I am not saying that they represent the view of Rastafari either. But they do in this case of accusing Christafari of a crime against Rasta. It's the same with Buju.

Instead of trying to find out just why people get so mad at Christafari,you go and say that hatret is wrong and a sin. Ofcourse it is wrong. Ofcourse it is ridiculous to want Mark Mohr dead. Ofcourse the majority of Rastafrians will not want him dead either. I have already stated I call them a militant and extreme faction within Rastafari. And just as much as I think Christafari does not represent Christianity, I think they do not represent Rastafri. But the fact is that in this point they do speak the words that are in the hearts of all Rasta. and then I am just talking about what I quoted in my essay.

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Jah Pickney Moderator Joined: 16 Nov 2001 Posts: 791 Location: Canada	Posted: 17 Oct 2004 18:21 Post subject: quote By my question is if you do not believe Selassie to be Jah why continue to call yourself Rastafarian when all around the world what seems to be synonomous with Rastafari is that very thing. Although there is much more to Rastafarianism, the things that people all over the world have come to associate with it are the worship of Selassie as deity and the use of marijuana. So could it not be misleading to refer to oneself as such? I do not mean to accuse of deception, but unintentional deception perhaps. For instance, if I were to call myself a buddist everyone here would automatically assume that I worship buddah and pracitce the elements that go along with Buddism. But what if I were a buddist that believes Christ, the son of God is the only way to salvation through His death and ressurection. And I had put my faith in Yesus. Well then really I wouldn't be a Buddist! So calling myself a Buddist when in fact I am not can be misleading. No? _____

Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

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Location: Canada

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 18:22 Post subject: quote

The question perhaps should be:

What makes someone a Rastafarian?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 19:07 Post subject: quote

Jetze if you want to know why I come here, it is because some one needs to. The things that you see as a defense of Christafari are in fact, a defense of my stand for the Gospel. I see you doing your best to destroy any chances of spreading the Gospel of Christ to any who need Him. I see you not as some one that is concerned for the souls of the lost. I see that you want to discredit without trying to build up. You have lowered yourself to a mere accuser of the Brethren. My defense is not of Christafari but rather to present Christ. How are you doing that? Are you preaching to the lost? Are you making an effort to explain the truth to those that are blind by a lie? No, you are here to criticize. Why? Sales...

IF you had these concerns because they hindered the Gospel being presented, then there is room to discuss things. But on the basis that you have presented your self, there is nothing further to discuss.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 20:51 Post subject: quote

JP, what is more important. The "image" that JAH has of us or the "image" that people have of us? If all people are wrong should I be wrong?

I notice that Bill again does not answer my challenge to quote me wrong.

My two questions to you both are:

-1- Are there Rastafarians who do not believe Selassie to be Jah and who do believe in Yesus Kristos as their Lord and Savior?

-2- If the answer is no, then you know the many arguments including Mohr's admittance on this forum and in private email.

If the answer is yes, then my question is why do you work for an organization that claims Rastafarian Christians are deceivers?

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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 17 Oct 2004 21:30 Post subject: quote

There is a flaw in your two questions. First, I can ask you as well, are there Rastas who do believe that Selassie is God? Yes, ofcourse there are!
Of course there are some that do not.

Now you ask why, I am working for LOZ. I am not working for them. I am here so often that I volunteered to Moderate the Forum. That doesn't mean that I echo everything that Mark Mohr has ever said. On the contrary, there are places that I would have done things a bit differantly. Why do I do this? It is because I love Rastas as a people. I love the West Indian Culture that I have been exposed to. I want all people to have a chance to see Christ as Savior. This provides a place for me to do that.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 17 Oct 2004 22:40 Post subject: quote

Messian, bill makes a good point of distinguishment here as far as not employed under Christafari. Even if he was it does not mean that he is blindly agreeing/following Mark Mohr. I personally knew what I knew and believed what I believed before I was introduced to Christafari. At a christafari concert I met bill and some others who pointed me to YOUR site, the dubroom. So I started coming here and participating in discussion but I saw us all as brothers and sisters in Christ.

JP: In my own studies and my relationship with God I have come to understand that Individuality matters.. so if one identifies themselves with Rasta, and acknowledges Christ as Savior why should a Christian ask them to identify themselves as a Christian instead? IMO the journey of salvation is an individual process that is shared by many, including many Rastas. I would hold that Rasta or that Christian responsible for teaching truth to the next one. The moment that message of truth is skewed then we have to be a witness of the truth.

I have come to believe and understand the whole ministry of Christafari to be just that, un-skewing that message of truth.. but I must admit though, going back to the discussion of the FAQ's and waiting on publication from LOZ, (which I have asked Mark in person about myself) that there are things going on which I cannot understand. If Aaronjudah received a publication from Mark and LOZ that mis-represents Christianity then we have to question this.

Yet and still... Mark and Christafari are just one element that does represent Christianity, and it is IMPERATIVE that we don't DEPEND on a publication from a man to find truth and have faith and to believe in Jesus Christ. Enter here my fears of Dogma.

more to come..

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http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 05:47 Post subject: quote

If you volunteer as moderator for people who call some Iahs in Kristos deceivers and you yourself do not think they are deceivers you at least got a credibility problem. Ofcourse it's working for Christafari. Could you look that word "work" up in your dictionairy?

Question remains: Why do you volunteer to work as a moderator on a forum from people who call brothers and sisters of you deceivers and you yourself claim to be in disagreement with Christafari concerning that?

CP, why do you need a publication in the midst of publications and wait for Mark Mohr to come clean which will never come because Christafari is based on these things which you all so hastily denie as a thing of yourselfes. I see that very clearly and I am not the only one. Everybody here hastes to distances themselves from what I described as Christafarianism but the fact remains that none has of yet can quote me wrong in my description of this philosophy. The only thing you can (AND SHOULD) so is to check yourself if you are part of that philosophy. And then act accordingly.

Oh you wrote a lteer to Mohr asking him to come clean? Hahahaha. I waited years for Mark Mohr to come clean and it simply never happens. It goes on and on. Oh yes, in private and here sometimes it is admitted that there are Christian Rastafarians yet in public these people are still called deceivers. I am also willing to debate Mark Mohr at any time. He's not going to do it. Because he depends on Christafarianism for his lifestyle.

After all, his argumentation can be boiled down to his statements that he is ***chosen by God*** to ***create the culture with his fanbase*** to get ***world music accepted in the christian industry***. (literal quotes) If that is what you want to defend then do it. You make someone happy, and others very angry, especially those brtothers and sisters of you who are called deceivers, while the process continues.

And these things are much more serious then you seem to understand.

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JuHok
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Joined: 14 Aug 2003
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Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 08:17 Post subject: quote

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So my list was correct?

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In only one name.

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analogy, why not get the ones that are not starving to help? Unfortunatly we go around and around in circles while people are dying. This is a matter of life and death.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 795
Location: Canada

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 14:35 Post subject: quote

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> JP, what is more important. The "image" that JAH has of us or the "image" that people have of us? If all people are wrong should I be wrong?

For your own salvation it is the "image" that Jah has, but for the salvation of others it is the "image" that people have.

The deception I refer to is not in the words themselves but in the representation. People will be and have been lead astray. The bible says the evidence of someones salvation is the fruit.

To answer your question

Quote:

> -1- Are there Rastafarians who do not believe Selassie to be Jah and who do believe in Yesus Kristos as their Lord and Savior?

Sure there could be a saved Rastaman, but if he truly was saved don't you think he would start to change up his representation for the sake of the gospel? I'm not saying they'd have to cut locks, or abandon their heritage and culutre, or run way from reggae music, or dash way red, gold and green. These are all cultural aspects that are fine to associate with, but including those and putting Selassie on a pedistol and smoking ganja and calling out the name Rastafari even to the point of calling onself
a Rastaman can be very misleading to onlookers.

I beleive the gospel should be presented in a very open and simple way so as not to create confusion.

I must say when I looked at your website MD, I thought you were pure Selassie worshipping Rasta, even after reading all the material I was

unsure where you stood.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 488
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 18 Oct 2004 17:13 Post subject: quote

Jah Pickney wrote:

> By my question is if you do not believe Selassie to be Jah why continue to call yourself Rastafarian when all around the world what seems to be synonomous with Rastafari is that very thing. Although there is much more to Rastafarianism, the things that people all over the world have come to associate with it are the worship of Selassie as deity and the use of marijuana. So could it not be misleading to refer to oneself as such?
>
> I do not mean to accuse of deception, but unintentional deception perhaps. For instance, if I were to call myself a buddist everyone here would automatically assume that I worship buddah and pracitce the elements that go along with Buddism. But what if I were a buddist that believes Christ, the son of God is the only way to salvation through His death and ressurection. And I had put my faith in Yesus. Well then really I wouldn't be a Buddist! So calling myself a Buddist when in fact I am not can be misleading. No?

Maybe this will help:

Buddhists do not worship Buddha. In fact, one of the teachings of the Buddha is "Do not follow me, follow my *dharma*" (*dharma* here refers to his teaching, the path to which he points). **Contrary to what many Westerners think** (some believe Buddhists are atheists, others think Buddhists worship Buddha[s]), Buddhism is basically silent on the question of whether there is a God. It is possible, according to my studies, to be both an atheist and a Buddhist, both a theist and a Buddhist, or both a polytheist and a Buddhist.

I think there is a certain analogy here. You said: "if I were to call myself a buddist everyone here would automatically assume that I worship buddah." But their assumption would be wrong, because it would be based on misinformation about the true nature of Buddhism. Likewise, when you ask: "if you do not believe Selassie to be Jah why continue to call yourself Rastafarian when all around the world what *seems* to be

synonomous with Rastafari is that very thing," I think the proper answer would be, "that may be the way it *seems* to the uninformed, but it is not necessarily *true*."

We must not make assumptions about what defines Rastafari. Rastafarians should define Rastafari. In my experience, Rastas have incredibly varied definitions of Rastafari, which lends support to some of Messian Dread's ideas.

Now here's an interesting point. I actually know some Christians who believe the Buddha was truly enlightened by Christ. For these Christians, the Buddha has a very important place within their *Christian* theology. For them, the Buddha is a type and ikon of Christ, and all the teaching of the Buddha points to Christ.

Aren't my Christian-Buddhist friends a bit like Twelve Tribes Rastas? Most Twelve Tribesmen I've met are Christians. And for them, emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia has a very important place within their *Christian* theology. For many Twelve Tribesmen, it seems, Selassie is an ikon of Christ, and all of his words and deeds point to Christ.

Can Buddhism and Christianity really be reconciled so easily? Can Rastafari and Christianity really be reconciled so easily? These may be very difficult questions sometimes, but they are worth asking and exploring.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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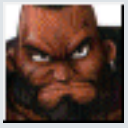

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Posted: 18 Oct 2004 17:29 Post subject: quote

As for Messian Dread's booklet, I got a chance to read it over the weekend.

I found most of Messian Dread's booklet enjoyable and interesting. Some parts did not interest me as much, probably because I don't care as much about Christafari and Mark Mohr as some of the other people here do. (Never actually been a fan of their music, never really cared to become a fan of their music, don't really agree with Christafari's theology, would never encourage others to listen to Christafari's music or theology, etc.)

As I voted in the poll, I think Messian Dread's booklet could be a useful addition to Christian/Rastafarian dialogue. I do not consider all of MD's own ideas about Christianity to be biblical, so there are some points of Christian theology on which we disagree. But overall, I have a similar view of Rastafarianism (which, I hope, will continue to develop over time).

Thank you, MD, for posting the booklet & link.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1090
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 00:41 Post subject: quote

Do you know why Christafari says it is misleading for a Christian Rastafarian to be who he is? Because Christafari can not use the existance of these millions of people because they do not confirm the image that Rastafari has in the eyes of the evangelical world.

And all of this is to get some a position in CCM.

Quite a high price.

> **Jah Pickney wrote:**
>
> Sure there could be a saved Rastaman, but if he truly was saved don't you think he would start to change up his representation for the sake of the gospel?

No I do not think a Christian Rastafarian has to stop being a Rastafarian.

But thank you for confirming you only say with your mouth that there is Christian Rastafarians because you can't rwally believe it.

> **Jah Pickney wrote:**
>
> Sure there could be a saved Rastaman, but if he truly was saved

And then er change the subject after you rant to what you think is the definition of a Rasta, still not ready to simply confirm your Rastafarian brethen and sistren in Kristos. Because right after telling how Rastas "if they are truly saved" should change into Christafarians (that is, outward a Rasta, inside an anti Rasta to the bone even denying they faith of Brothers and Sisters in Rastafari in order to maintain evangelical correct positions within ccm and the christian system) you say it again:

> **Quote:**
>
> a Rastaman can be very misleading to onlookers.

Even if they are Christian.....
A Rastafarian Christian is a deceiver.....

Bit it is because these observers do not overstand one inch about Rasta.

> **Quote:**
>
> I beleive the gospel should be presented in a very open and simple way so as not to create confusion.

I agree. That is why it shouldn't be preached to people who allready believe. That's why deceit such as the reason why christafari wears dreads should be abolished now., That is why Christafari should rectify the false information they give about the millions of Christians in Rastafari.

This whole issue makes me think of these christian zionist who support israeli helicopter bombing palestinian christians because they are palistinian.

> **Quote:**
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> I must say when I looked at your website MD, I thought you were pure Selassie worshipping Rasta, even after reading all the material I was unsure where you stood.

But what does that matter? And that is a serious question. I mean how would you know what I am about if your mind set is like it is?

I think that Christafari and the ones who are actively promoting Christafarianism do more damage to the Gospel of Kristos than they claim people like me have. It's simple. If you have a problem with the existance of Christian Rastafarians and people like me why don't you go to the One Who made us who we are or change your mind set. I suggest you do the second.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 19 Oct 2004 05:05 Post subject: quote

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> If you volunteer as moderator for people who call some Iahs in Kristos deceivers and you yourself do not think they are deceivers you at least got a credibility problem. Ofcourse it's working for Christafari. Could you look that word "work" up in your dictionairy?
>
> Question remains: Why do you volunteer to work as a moderator on a forum from people who call brothers and sisters of you deceivers and you yourself claim to be in disagreement with Christafari concerning that?

I am not answering for Bill, but if I were to place myself in his shoes this would be my answer: If you watch a DVD movie nowadays you will see a disclaimer that says "The views and opinions expressed in this movie are not neccessarily the views and opinions of <insert name of company, such as 20th century fox>"

Yes you can work for someone but not hold the same opinions as them.

When you volunteer for the red cross because you want to do something good for the fellow man, as another example that does not mean that you agree with the viewpoints and opinions of the founder of the red cross foundation.

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> CP, why do you need a publication in the midst of publications and wait for Mark Mohr to come clean which will never come because Christafari is based on these things which you all so hastily denie as a thing of yourselfes. I see that very clearly and I am not the only one. Everybody here hastes to distances themselves from what I described as Christafarianism but the fact remains that none has of yet can quote me wrong in my description of this philosophy. The only thing you can (AND SHOULD) so is to check yourself if you are part of that philosophy. And then act accordingly.

If Mark never responds to our requests that's completely fine with me, I don't have to answer at the throne of God for his actions. I was curious to Mark's in-depth views of Rasta which would be based on the ministry that he said he had been doing in the Bobo Ashanti camps amongs others. Like I said I spoke with him briefly about some things but that does NOT influence my views on Rastas, or Christianity. I haven't been in his shoes so I cannot vouch for his beliefs. No one can!

There are many things that Christafari and myself have in common and that is what draws me here and to their music. It seems as though you have come to evidence that points to a flaw in their foundation of their ministry and that's fine. You are convicted of such because of the feedback that YOU were given. Let others make up their own minds and be convicted by God to do so. Because I and others choose to hold an opinion different than yours does not mean that I am running to Christafari's defense. I am not afraid to distance myself from Christafarianism, I hold to my own opinions and support what I believe to be fundamentally good causes. You are trying to disprove that Christafari is NOT a fundamentally good cause and that's perfectly fine.

If someone goes to your site and reads your work/listens to your music and chooses to formulate their belief based on what YOU say they are fundamentally wrong, much like the example that Jonagaus gave. If the FAQ's give a definition of Rasta and you do not does not mean that your views are wrong and Mark's are right. It just means that there are

different opinions. We can get into "Messian Dread-ism" and what you believe as well, along with your fans and supporters and what not but that includes me as well, so now what?

Things are not what they seem: that statement can go both ways on this matter for Rasta's and Christians alike, esp. when it comes to appearance of dreads, colors and music. Jonagaus makes a very valid point. The responsibility for misinformation and misrepresentation needs to be placed on those who are out there in Jamaica or the West Indies telling Rastas that they are all wrong and need to convert because Christafari or Christafarianism says to do so. I am almost 100% sure that this is not the case. If Mark is a liar then he will pay for his sins.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 19 Oct 2004 13:03 Post subject: quote

CP, your analogy with "the opinions expressed..." doesn't fly. First, it is something different to watch or sell this Christafari DVD from the videoshop then to act as a PR man, for which you have to be very motivated to defend Christafari.

It's different to walk door to door getting some money for the red cross (a criminal organization) then to function as a PR spokesman. Very different.

I think we should de-program the Christafarians. I am not good in that, but I do recognize mind control and brainwash as I have seen them many times. And I do not speak about Christafari specifically.

A simple look at the profile of someone posting here gives a profile. You get an impression as to what is mostly done. So when someone denies defending Christafarianism (and I keep realizing how interesting that process is)

It is my personal experience, and you can verify that if you have like me the time to find things out by clicking on the archives in the forum, that

every time I critisize Christafari for something different then the musical genre so to speak, this moderator starts to discuss things with me, tempting me every time to write long epistles in which I explain my points in several ways to which he then doesn't really answer. I just kept writing because I know that every word is also leaving a digital trace so people can check everything out for themselves.

So if for every five quotes of moderators defending and/or doing-damage-control you would give me one quote in which this same person critisizes Christafari, I think you would lose that particular game quite quickly. Come on, CP, no use in denying that.

And it is just the way it should be.

Because, if the moderators would not be expressing Christafarian viewpoint, what are they doing. They are PR people. This forum is the place online where Christafari meets the people. So they must be, as a matter of their function, supporting Christafari.

If they do NOT support Christafari, if they do NOT express the view of Christafari, then Christafari has a problem. Which they allready have and which will become bigger with every minute Christafari does not rectify the wrongs.

But until I get the proof that the moderators on the Lion of Zion forums do not support the teachings of Christafari I will stick with what is not my opinnion but a summary of the postings, actions, and principal of function from the Christafari moderators.

And when I get the proof that the moderators on the Christafari boards do not support the philosophy of Christafari, I would directly ask Mark Mohr for an official comment.

And wait as long as you wait.....

I am ready to debate Mark Mohr at any time and he knows that for years. If anyone wants to organize that I am willing to do so and even willing to travel for it.

Then, before you start speaking about "messiandreadism" please remember that **the words Christafari, Christafarianism and**

Christafarians are all invented by Mark Mohr. I have every right to use these words as they are introduced by Christafari.

I also do not claim to be a "***pastor***" whom "***all***" have to "***obey***". I do not call people who like my musical works "messiandreadists".

You say you are interested in the teaching of Christafari when it comes to Rastafari, related to alleged "mission trips to the bobo's" (which could just as much be the result of buying a a broom or a tourist ticket to view an authentic bobo camp as this happens all the time), I have read Christ and Tafari which is Mark Mohrs book he is currently writing and it doesn't say a different thing then what you see on the FAQ and in interviews.

I think you have an open mind, you are inteligent too, and I believe you are sincere. So I am totally confident that when you start digging, you will engage a lot of surprising material.

An example.

Rastafarians were portrayed as people who like to kill other people when these other people do not "respect their god". Where? In an article listing Mark Mohr as source. Back in 1996. I have the article here. I might just put it back online but there are some things I have to check out first.

I remember how furious the Rastafarian community was after that article. I remember that I, in my naivitey, contacted Mark Mohr who privately told me that he was not the source of the article, which I told the Rastafarian community. I done these things a number of times until I found out that I was wasting my time.

The moderators here have an easy job. When I had my first contacts with Christafari I did some "moderating" (damage control, just like JP an mainly blaminack do here now) on public internet places. Over here when people become too confrontating, revealing or whatever they can be banned. But you can't ban anyone in the real world and that is why Christafari has left this real world after the Buju incident. The problem is that the buju incident did not make Christafari think about their message, other then finding inspiration for songs like "my lord has me on the frontline", and the result was that we saw less and lessa of

Christafari in the real world and more and more of them in the Christian world in which they can be booked for mission actions by churches.

Even when they are playing in venues that usually harbour non-CCM artists like Black Uhuru and Burning Spear, the crowd is mainly CCM as the venue turned out to be rented by some Christian group.

Something else: we allready see how Christafari has a public face and a private face.

I am not into this since a few days. I am researching and studying this since 1996. I think that makes me longer experienced then most here.

I can tell you stories how people were threatened with lawsuits just for quoting and mentioning Christafari in their signature files on Internet postings.

After all, Christafari is TM and that is why nothing is going to change.

I have witnesses who can tell me who were "e-harrassed" after critisizing Christafari and none of these people are Rastafarian or Christian, so I guess that when JP speaks about "image of the gospel" I allways recall these things in my memory. And I am sure neither JP nor you or most other people here know these stories. Nevertheless they happenned and they are in the memory of a lot of people.

I also recall how I am accused of driving people away from here as a result of my essay. But when I check I found out that this person can not even send email to Mark Mohr as his email adress is not accepted there anymore. So who's driving away who. And so there are many stories to be told. Many.

But I do not think they are neccesary to make the point. The teachings of Christafari, combined with the private responses in which the flaws are admitted but never rectified because of fear for the reactions in the evangelical world, not at least the financial reactions, says enough.

Quote:

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Everybody knows the monster of Frankenstein but nobody knows the name of this monster. That is because Frankenstein is responsible for the monster he created.

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One Love,

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 795
Location: Canada

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 14:49 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote

Quote:

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> I agree. That is why it shouldn't be preached to people who allready believe. That's why deceit such as the reason why christafari wears dreads should be abolished now., That is why Christafari should rectify the false information they give about the millions of Christians in Rastafari.

But even if you are correct that some Rastas are born again and saved, not all of them are. The ones who do worship Selassie, the ones who do fit the description of the LoZ FAQ's - shouldn't they be ministered to? Maybe Mark only mentions these ones within Rastafari because they are the only ones who need the gospel. Mark and I and Stitchie and Papa San and many more have all seen Rastafarians saved through our ministries so don't try to fight us down and stop us when there are still some who need to hear it.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1090 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 19 Oct 2004 15:22 Post subject: quote The issue is not whether or not people outside of the Body of Kristos should get inside of Him. I am not debating that as I am inside of the Body of Kristos and I know John 3:16 to be the most important issue in the entire universe and even outside of that. The issue is that you deny in public and admit in private the fact that there are certain other people inside of the Body of Kristos, which is a terrible thing to do. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
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Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 15:49 Post subject: quote

I don't have a great deal of time, but I'd like to make a couple of comments or observations.

Jetze, it is evident that you put a great deal of time into recording information and doing research in order to write this booklet. I've only skimmed it, so I will reserve my critique until a later date.

As far as Bill is concerned, I recall numerous instances where he has agreed with points you have made- even when they weren't embraced by Christafari/LoZ. I know Bill well enough to know that he is not a puppet for an organization and is not in wholesale agreement with every point of LoZ. I think if you look over some of the posts he has written you will find this to be the case.

Jetze, your points are well taken in terms of some of the FAQ info needing to be changed. I thought that perhaps Mark's view on Rasta/Christianity had changed and that maybe he just hadn't gotten around to changing the FAQ's yet. This was a "perhaps", not an assumption. By the way, I have written numerous music reviews for LoZ for their music store, but am not an employee and don't necessarily agree with everything they do and say. I do see a need for greater clarification and some adjusting of information which they present, particularly in regards to Rasta. I would certainly hope that pressures to conform to the CCM model would not hinder this from happening, as you indicate. I do hope that the appropriate revisions are made.

As I've said in the past, I believe that Mark's view on Rasta as portrayed in the FAQ's as well as in his interviews, is dated one. I see two reasons for this: (1) it is according to the information that was available at the time and was/is being taught in most bible schools. (Side Note: Rastafarianism is usually associated or lumped together with occultism- for better or worse.) (2) Rasta is widely varied and ever-changing and therefore getting a grasp of it is easier said than done. I have learned, through our reasonings and other sources, that is the case.

Lastly, I would be careful not to demonize or malign Christafari. It is important to assert the common ground which you share with them, which is what Bill and even myself are doing. If not careful, you may ironically become guilty of the very thing which you accuse them of. Of course, this does not mean that they (Christafari/LoZ/Mark Mohr) are above being questioned or called out on certain issues. I do believe all of this can be addressed without necessarily being divisive so let's choose our words carefully.

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Posted: 19 Oct 2004 16:44 Post subject: quote

Another point: Doesn't a private acknowledgement by LoZ/Christafari/Mark Mohr represent some progress? I say yes.

Also, there is another thing to consider which shows me that Mark's view has changed somewhat. He has left Ras B (Brenton) to head up "The Gathering" in Trinidad. Ras B is Rasta bredren who is a follower of Christ.
This must say something, yes?

I think it would be good to see the progress, give thanks and continue to pray about things.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
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Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 17:10 Post subject: quote

After reading the WHOLE thing I still come to the same conclusion. I have seen/heard these reasonings for the last year and a half.

Not to say that is bad. I guess I am sayinmg that this info. (for the most part) is nothing new.

I really don't overstand one aspect Messian uses for CCM being owned by bigger companies etc.... When every CD I "USED" to own ie...(Lee Perry, Anthony B, Joseph Hill, Winston Rodney on and on) is also affiliated with theses large companies for producing/distributing through them.

So why is it a big deal when others do it?

I remember when I started seeing Ziggy Marley on Maybeline commercials and TV shows. Wrong? I don't know. But it made me really think about the image people seem to give themselves. And how certain things would make us draw false conclusions about the life someone lives.

Just a thought.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1090
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Oct 2004 17:54 Post subject: quote

Mike Roots thank you for your contribution.

I do hope you will search a little deeper as I have been taking your advise for the last three years at least an think it is therefore obvious that I have my reasons to think your arguments may not apply.

Warrior, God would never chose somebody to lead the CCM in the same way he would choose David or Moses because CCM is not the Kingdom of Jah. Still this is literally being claimed by Christafari.

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SEEN. I think.

So you do not have a problem with any label/production/distributing companies per say. It is more about someone saying that it is JAH will to use these companies to further the very Kingdom of JAH? Am I overstanding correctly?

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Posted: 19 Oct 2004 18:04 Post subject: quote

I have found an INTERESTING audio file of a "documentary/interview" that Robo Ranx did that talks a bit on matters that totally deal with this topic. It talks about Bobo Shanty's in Bull Bay Jamaica, and that they feel that there is inherently something evil about Reggae Music and admit that they are merely using it as a means to forward their message. This places certain Bobos in a position similar to what Christafari is accused of here. Artists like Capleton, Anthony B, Sizzla, Garnet Silk, etc. are in a position of using a form of Music that their belief says is evil so that they can spread the Bobo Message. The interview talks about the "millions" being made by these artists yet Bull Bay has not benefited from that! The Priest interviewed talks about only a faithful few attending the Tabernacle meetings, yet they see these "Bobos" living a differant lifestlye than what they preach. I find this very interesting in light of the standard that Christafari is being held to. Listen to the file yourself...

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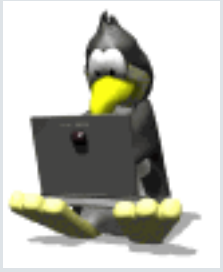
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



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Almost

Not even using these companies to forward the kingdom is what i critisize.

I am saying that CCM is not a part of the Kingdom of God but of Babylon.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 322
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 08:19 Post subject:

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Messian Dread wrote:

> It's different to walk door to door getting some money for the red cross (a criminal organization) then to function as a PR spokesman. Very different.

Yes, different but still 2 different functions of one organization. This is my point. The person who is honestly donating money for charity has a different intention than the PR spokesman. I see myself as a fan of Christafari and have supported them by buying CD's, but I am not the spokesman for them, nor do I represent all of their viewpoints. Perhaps I mis-interpreted your words earlier to imply that anyone who supports them supports their views.

Messian Dread wrote:

> I think we should de-program the Christafarians. I am not good in that, but I do recognize mind control and brainwash as I have seen them many times. And I do not speak about Christafari specifically.

Yes, de-programming a mindset that is against christ teachings is what we're all about!!

Messian Dread wrote:

> If they do NOT support Christafari, if they do NOT express the view of Christafari, then Christafari has a problem. Which they allready have and which will become bigger with every minute Christafari does not rectify the wrongs.

I see it as an issue of agreeing/not agreeing with certain aspects of what Mark/Christafari believes. For example it has been expressed elsewhere that for example, that if it is still Mark's belief that there is no such thing as a Christian Rasta it is not the same for myself, Bill has said the same, along with a couple others as well. We can all agree that Jesus Christ is Messiah but for lack of a better term, "denomination" seperates us, which is actually a good thing depending on how you look at it. I can go over that somewhere else.

Messian Dread wrote:

> But until I get the proof that the moderators on the Lion of Zion forums do not support the teachings of Christafari I will stick with what is not my opinnion but a summary of the postings, actions, and principal of function from the Christafari moderators.
>
> And when I get the proof that the moderators on the Christafari boards do not support the philosophy of Christafari, I would directly ask Mark Mohr for an official comment.

I respect that.

Messian dread wrote:

> Then, before you start speaking about "messiandreadism" please remember that **the words Christafari, Christafarianism and Christafarians are all invented by Mark Mohr**. I have every right to use these words as they are introduced by Christafari.

To me Christafari and Christafarian means nothing else than a Christian. Wether you play/listen to reggae does not change the fact that you serve Jesus Christ and should not make a difference. This is why for me accepting Christafari was natural. Then again my philosophy on music is that neither one or the other belongs to any one group as they are all inspired by Jah so once again.. Christianity +/- Reggae = CHRIST no matter how you change the equasion.

Messian Dread wrote:

> I also do not claim to be a "***pastor***" whom "***all***" have to "***obey***". I do not call people who like my musical works "messiandreadists".

MMM.. careful here how much authority is placed upon a pastor. Anyone who obeys a pastor and not God is heading in the wrong direction. The word of a Pastor is first and foremost God's word and should be followed as God leads the pastor. But this also brings another good point though. If there are people blindly following then that's a problem, good intention or not.

CoolPoetE wrote:

> The responsibility for misinformation and misrepresentation needs to be placed on those who are out there in Jamaica or the West Indies telling Rastas that they are all wrong and need to convert because Christafari or Christafarianism says to do so.

Messian Dread wrote:

> Everybody knows the monster of Frankenstein but nobody knows the name of this monster. That is because Frankenstein is responsible for the monster he created.

Clever analogy, but still a biased viewpoint IMO which is just fine I see it as Satan as the master of deception which will use the truth and twist it his way. Anyone's words can be used, Mark's, Mine, Yours...

Respect MD, trust me that your words have not fallen on deaf ears!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 08:53 Post subject: Reply with quote

Quote:

> To me Christafari and Christafarian means nothing else than a Christian.

That is indeed one of the problems since the ones who get so freaked out and denied as Christian by Christafari are in many instances Christian too.

So it is NOT the same.

By stating that Christafari, Christafarianism and Christsfarians are interchangable with Christianity you

-1- deny those who are Christian and because of their Christianity not Christafari.

-2- follow Christafari in their ridiculous claim to a monopolous position in Christianity when it comes to Rastafari.

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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 20 Oct 2004 09:10 Post subject: quote

- No one can tell me that I do not believe in Jesus Christ.
- No one can tell that to a Rasta without first reasoning with that Rasta,
- No one can assume that everyone who represents Rastafari does not believe in Christ. This same reasoning can be applied to all "denominations".

I am stating that Christafari/Christafarianism/Christafarians are foundationally Christians. it is not interchangable because you should not separate Christ. I think I see it as one in the same whereas you say that a Rasta cannot identify himself as a Christafarian which to me only says that a Rasta does not hold the same opinion/views as Mark Mohr. There is nothing wrong with that, God encourages that!! Let every man be led by God, not man.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 20 Oct 2004 09:20 Post subject: quote

Your three points are exactly what Christian Rastafarians are trying to get through.....

Still Christafari does all these things to Christian Rastafarians for in public they state that Christian Rastafarians are "deceivers" (which is a denial of ther faith) where on this forum and in private they do admit that they can not state that (for they admit the existabce oif the Christian Rastafarians and by that admit that their public statements are false, or in his own words, a ***misrepresentation***

So unless you think that denying the faith of Christian Rastafarians in public and admitting this **misrepresentation** in private is a key element of ***Christianity***, I think you should be very carefull in equation Christafarianism with Christianity.

It's like the Palestinians and the Christian Zionists. If you change "palestinian" for "rastafarian" you will see it a bit clearer I

think.

Not all Palestinians are Muslims but the Christian Zionists don't bother and allways speak about "the Palistinians" and then they support Israel in bombing the Palistinians. And no I do not support bombing Muslims.

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 02:36 Post subject: Meeting the Messiah apart from Xianity quote

"the number of those who are in living contact with the sphere of the Everlasting Gospel will increase. In this way many a man may meet the Christ, ***independently of traditional teaching***. Perhaps ***at first he wil lnot call the being whose influence and presence he experiences by the name of Christ***. *He may imagine himself to be an opponent of Christianity, because he knows traditional Christianity only in distorted form.*

This is a quote from a German theologian, Bock. This quote was taken from the liner notes of Yabby You's album, Jesus Dread. The writer posits that Yabby, the first Jesus Dread, came to faith in the Messiah apart from Xianity. This is powerful reasoning that was recognized by a Xian pastor.

If I am not mistaken, Yabby was technical adviser for a Zema album that is for sale on this site. I like Zema's stuff. She's got a good vibe.

People interested in the relationship between RasTa and Xianity should consider some of the reasonings found within Yabby's songs. He has put out some powerful music.

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†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 03:23 Post subject: quote Can I ask a stupid question? What is Xianity? _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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d-range Joined: 02 Mar 2003 Posts: 61 Location: venice / los angeles	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 11:02 Post subject: quote x = christ xianity = christianity _____ There is some fiction in your truth, and some truth in your fiction. To know the truth, you must risk everything.
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d-range Joined: 02 Mar 2003 Posts: 61 Location: venice / los angeles	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 11:04 Post subject: quote i googled some of that quote, and came upon the yabby you liner notes. http://niceup.com/writers/steve_barrow/jesus_dread.rtf _____ There is some fiction in your truth, and some truth in your fiction. To know the truth, you must risk everything.
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 11:11 Post subject: quote

So..You want to "X" out the name of Christ?

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d-range

Joined: 02 Mar 2003
Posts: 61
Location: venice / los angeles

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 11:58 Post subject: quote

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
> So..You want to "X" out the name of Christ?

yes it is all a part of my satanic conspiracy to undermine christianity.

_____

There is some fiction in your truth,
and some truth in your fiction.
To know the truth, you must risk everything.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 22 Jun 2004 12:31 Post subject: quote

You two are really getting away from the point of this thread which I think needs to be discussed. What exactly is the value of non traditional faith in Christ.

I believe that the fruit will tell the story! We have no need to judge such things. They judge themselves. If the faith is Biblical then it will bear the correct fruits, but if it tries to ADD to or TAKE away from the Word of God then it will fail snf just fall into the heap of other cults that have tried to come up some other way than the True Gate.

The Bible which is the Word of God and Christ which John tells us is the Word made flesh, is the foundation, not the Church. Hence non traditional meetings, like the Gathering in Trinidad. I believe Messian Dread fellowships in a similar way... The solidness of the

faith will be improved with structure, but I am not refering to a building.

You can take the Name Christian out of this walk, but if you take out the True Christ then you have gone over the edge. There we get into this thing of being ashamed of Christ. Imagine telling a girl on a date, "I really love you but I think that your family is a bunch of degenerate freaks." Do you think that there are going to be second and third dates? That example is to show that if you claim Christ, then the Word says that you will love His people. All people as a matter of fact and if they attend some Church with ideas a bit differant than yours you are still to love them... Again these are just fruits.

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 827
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 18:10 Post subject: quote

Greetings all...
Aaron Judah, I think Bock could definitely be right but two important words I will focus on right now are **"at first"**. AT FIRST someone may suppose themselves to be an opponent of Christianity when it is really the false version which they oppose. They may oppose lies, hypocrisy, prejudice and the like which may be covered by the guise of "Christianity", but in reality are Anti-Christ in origin. These qualities are of Satan- not Yeshua (Jesus). BUT- at some point man must confess with their mouths and believe in their hearts in Jesus Christ. Otherwise we might as well go along with the universalists who believe that because Yahweh is a loving God and Christ died for all, that ALL will be saved. Not so according to scripture. There must be a heart that realizes a need for repentance, there must be a receiver of the gift of salvation, there must be the realization of the Father's merciful provision for the sin-sick soul.

Yabby You's faith walk is intriguing to me. I concur with what Bill said in that the true measure of one's Christian faith is in the fruits that are produced. I read quotes and listen to songs of his which undoubtedly proclaim Christ as the Redeemer and the One

whom we must go through to worship the Father. The things which puzzle me a bit are songs (such as "Zion Gate") which embrace Marcus Garvey's teachings of repatriation back to Africa. My feeling on repatriation is that ALL who have recieved JAH Son will be going home to be with Him one day- not just blacks and not to Africa. In Christ's millenial reign and in the Kingdom that follows, all who have been redeemed will enjoy the incredible blessings of eternal life in His glory.

I don't know why Yabby distances himself from other believers in Christ- at least that we know of amongst the reggae massive. Have others tried reaching out to him? I don't know. Zema would be a good person to ask. Speaking of which, her Christian view is also non-traditional as she seems to embrace a more Messianic Jew perspective. Something also haven't understood as why Yabby would choose to produce and collaborate with with someone (Michael Prophet) who has publicly said that he doesn't believe that Jesus is King of Kings, Lord of Lords and Messiah but someone who he simply respects as a man who is "strong". Rather, Prophet claims allegiance to Selassie. I will look for and post the quote if you're interested. I think we SHOULD befriend people who may not know the truth in hopes that they one day will, BUT not contribute to their works which are contrary. I say we must draw the line. Help him with some carpentry, lend some money, give some food, etc- YES. So I'm sure what to make of Yabby along these lines as it seems he has made it a point to align himself more with non-believers. Again- we must reach out to and love non-believers and I hope that's what Yabby is doing and in the process leading them to Christ.

As Yabby in sings one of his songs, echoing the words of the Saviour- "I come not to call the righteous, I come to call sinners to repentance.
blessings in Yeshua...
Mike

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ZIONSLAVE Forum Veteran Joined: 12 Nov 2003 Posts: 124	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 18:35 Post subject: quote It is very true, Jah does not need traditional Christianity to draw folks to himself. Also true that sometimes traditional Christianity is what draws them away. Sometimes I think we over complicate things. God has a way of making things more simple for us to understand. (Jhn 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (Jam 1:27) Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, [and] to keep himself unspotted from the world. (Mat 22:36-40) Master, which [is] the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.This is the first and great commandment. And the second [is] like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

These things are what makes a true follower of Jah. He needs nothing. He offers everything.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:59 Post subject: quote

Is it not so, that there is a lot to say about "Christianity", especially when you take it in the context of Rastafari.

Just like there is a lot of confusion about the "white geezus" or "ss Jesus of Babylon"if you will, vs Yesus Kristos our Lord God and Saviour, there is also a lot of confusion when we are dealing with "Christianity

"What is Christianity, and who is calling ti Christianity?"

Sometimes, you know, you read stuff like old documents. And then you read how the slavemasters from babylon greeted each other by calling King James and the Bible and all that, and then they go over into expressing how to establish racism in the heart and minds of the people to keep them divided.

What is the Jesus, the Christianity of those people? Mind you, there is a lot of speak about a socalled "Judeo-Christian Civilization" when it comes to describing the western world. Who is the god of that religion? Indeed, look at the fruits.....

There is also mention of people expressing their believe in the Saviour, the Incarnated JAH, Yesus Kristos, Yahoshuah ha Mashiach. People who realize their sin, their need for salvation coming out of an inability to pay for one's own sins..... The Yesus Who told us to love the Truth, the Yesus Who told us to love each other. The Yesus Who came to set us FREE!

Now, which Jesus we speak of? This might be something to consider, because it is the movement of Rastafari who has exposed this false Geezus of Babylon as being a fallen angel of lucifer.

And when we speak about the Real YESUS, why then are we

defending a tradition: a systemized, institutionalized and even industrialized "religion", only aimed at keeping people in slavery?

"Be a good christian, be a good babylonian, pay your taxes, obey the government, listen to the preacher, the teacher and the policeman"? Because that is the teaching coming from this systemized christianity.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 22:31 Post subject: quote

The purpose of this post was to show that many come to Messiah apart from what the general population considers to be an accepatable route. RasTafari is a movement that involves resistance to Babylon. It is interesting to note, from the posts elsewhere on the site, that many RasTafari come to know the Messiah and, also, discover the hypocrisy and error that is inherent in Western faith. Messian Dread makes a good point in this respect.

However, it should also be noted that there is not enough respect given to those who believe the message of the Bible, yet do not adhere to the Xian cultural standards. That is why many find Yabby You to be an enigma. They like his music, but do not know how to relate to him since he will not involve himself with the Western Xian culture.

Also, this raises a few ?'s concerning the RasTafari information that is available on this site. I think LOZ should rethink/restudy and report a new group of information concerning its RasTa faqs. M Dread made some good points in this respect.

YHWH (which loosely translates to "eternally existent, perpetually revealing himself)/Jah is constantly revealing himself to the world.

Xians would do well to realize that they do not have sole access to Messiah mercy. Also, they would do well to take the critiques of other cultures seriously.

About Zema, I like some of her stuff. Does anyone have a website for her?

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Forum Veteran

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Posts: 108

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 22:56 Post subject: quote

d-range wrote:

> x = christ
> xianity = christianity

Alright. I am still not that smart. I still don't get it. Is it another idea about christianity, or is it like another thing all together. I will have to research this too on my own.

Dang this forum, I have to do more homework now then I did when I was in school!!!

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What we do in life, echos in Eternity.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 01:45 Post subject: quote

MD

There you go again giving credit where credit IS NOT due!...Is was NOT the rasta movement that exposed the false christ!....Again the Bible has foretold of this looooooong before the rastaman came along!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 02:58 Post subject: quote

I'm half way doing an interview wirth ZEMA. I allready have half of it but waiting for the other half. She is some interesting person indeed.

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 827
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 05:00 Post subject: quote

Aaron,
Did you read my post also?

Zema's website is http://www.zemazema.com/

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 05:12 Post subject: quote

Mikeroots

This question is not asked to start trouble...It is a simple "Yes..or..No" question.

Do you believe in pampering a nonbeliever?...Do you think one should pat a nonbeliever on the back in hopes that they will become a believer?

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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:03 Post subject: quote I will answer. You do as Christ did. Love is the only thing that Christ did, to the sinner. To the Relgious Pharisees who thought they knew all the answers and wouldn't take correction received rebuke.
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:39 Post subject: quote I suppose you believe in giving money to an alcoholic or a drugee and calling it luv! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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d-range

Joined: 02 Mar 2003
Posts: 61
Location: venice / los angeles

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:42 Post subject: quote

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
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> I suppose you believe in giving money to an alcoholic or a drugee and calling it luv!

proverbs 31 style?

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There is some fiction in your truth,

and some truth in your fiction.

To know the truth, you must risk everything.

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KiddKapps
Moderator

Joined: 12 Nov 2001
Posts: 391
Location: T DOT (CANADA)

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:49 Post subject: quote

I think back to history where "conversions" were forced. I sometimes wonder how many of those people who were forced actually "believed."

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:50 Post subject: quote

Who is forcing here?

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Posts: 391
Location: T DOT (CANADA)

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 06:53 Post subject: quote

Wassup CF...Cakalakeeeee

I'm just saying that faith as a GIFT from GOD as well you know? I mean only GOD can really open someone's eyes. I don't think anybody out there who was either raised in a certain religion or was "taught" a certain religion did so purposefully despite knowing CHRIST and the TRUTH. I mean they honestly believe that their beliefs are true...and hold fast to that the same way many Christians hold fast to our faith. I agree that believing in something does not make it true, I mean Truth exists despite whether or not we believe in it. And I think often times we're so quick to "pound them with our Bibles" that we forget that no matter how 'passionate" we profess it...they profess their beliefs with the same zeal and being passionate about it won't change that.

I think back to history where "conversions" were forced. I sometimes wonder how many of those people who were forced actually "believed."

I agree with the comment you raised regarding sticking to the subject and speaking on the WORD as opposed to using emotions or comments about character to put across a point.

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Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:00 Post subject: quote

> **KiddKapps wrote:**
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> I mean they honestly believe that their beliefs are true...and hold fast to that the same way many Christians hold fast to our faith.

No..It's not the same way!

What's up in Cakalakee you ask?...The heat!!

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Forum Veteran

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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:10 Post subject: quote

KiddKapps

I do see your point though.

Think about this verse...Psalm 23.....Thy ROD and staff they comfort me.

Do you know what a rod is?....It is for spanking one on the behind!!

And I see alot of so called Christians that spare the rod....They do not understand tough love....They moan and complain about it all the time.

They think tough love is rude and offensive.....HOGWASH!!

He that spares the rod hates the child!!

My advice is to kiss the rod and say THANK YOU FATHER!!

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KiddKapps Moderator Joined: 12 Nov 2001 Posts: 391 Location: T DOT (CANADA)	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:11 Post subject: quote Yeah Cakalakee is dope. I think K-nine is one of the best holy hip hop emcees I heard to come out of there. I can't want for his next release. What do you mean it's not the same. I'm not saying that validity of the beliefs are not the same I'm talking about the reliance upon and assertion thereof. You don't see it as being the same? I mean would people be posting here in 8-9 page threads if they didn't feel just as passionately about it as others on the opposing view? Again, I'm not talking about the rightness in the belief, I'm talking about the passion (that is the personal insistance that it is true). Know what I mean? _____
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:18 Post subject: quote

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LOL sorry I posted and didn't see you post a new post bro Cross Fiyah. LOL...do I ever remember the notion behind the rod. The thing is though sometimes and I'm not saying you in particular or something like that...but sometimes people forget that there is discipline and then there is useless abuse. Wait wait...lemme finish. LOLOL. You know when you are beating and beating someone and it's not getting anywhere? I mean...in cases like these...you're articulate and so are the people on the boards that are posting...I just think that there's gotta be a better way in discussing to reach and share Truth with a capital T than to use emoticons or emotions or name calling etc.

Know what I mean?

Have you heard Knine's stuff or sean blus? (is sean blu form Cakalakee too?)

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KiddKapps
Moderator

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Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:20 Post subject: quote

I laugh a little because I fondly remember that rod disciplining me in my youth as well. LOL.

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Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:24 Post subject: quote

I think y'all mistake alot of things for name calling and abuse!...That's what I think!

What you laughing at so much?

No I aint heard of them...I dunno!

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Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:25 Post subject: quote

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You're a quick poster. LOLOL. You know...I was thinking about what you say regarding passion...and I think you may be right...Like if you're saying stick to the passion in CHRIST without resorting to "man-made" pasisons like "name calling, emoticons and the like.

HEY...you know what? yeah...cause it's about FACT not feeling. Maaan..you're good. I totally forgot about that and I've heard it so many times before..

sorry i was jumping the gun...is that what you were saying?

It's late. I may be reading crooked. LOL.

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KiddKapps
Moderator

Joined: 12 Nov 2001
Posts: 391
Location: T DOT (CANADA)

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:28 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> I think y'all mistake alot of things for name calling and abuse!...That's what I think!
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> What you laughing at so much?
>
> No I aint heard of them...I dunno!

I'm laughing a lot cause I thought we were having a nice conversation. we aren't board fighting are we?

http://www.kninemusic.com/ YOu gotta hear his stuff. he's great but he's from south cakalakee though. but he's still great.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:38 Post subject: quote

Naw we aint fightin'...You know,One has to be careful on this board though...One can't let their guard down or else they may get played!

I'll check out that artist soon..probably not tonite though.

Aaaah I see you like Pettidee!!

Actually I was not even thinking about Pettidee.....But YES that is what I meant.

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KiddKapps Moderator Joined: 12 Nov 2001 Posts: 391 Location: T DOT (CANADA)	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:43 Post subject: quote Nah, I fully understand the board situaton. Another thing I don't like about boards is how you can't tell really what a person means. You know because there's no body language or voice tone etc. Just words on a page. So it's like I could be saying something but have to choose my words carefully so that there's no misunderstandings. I totally understand what you're saying there for sure. Pettidee is pretty cool. But truthfully his first release was better than the ones coming out now. But that boy's got a gruff gruff voice. He's also a pretty cool "dad." his little kiddies are so cute! Apologies. I understand that went off topic. Sorry folks it's late and CF and I haven't talked for a long time, so you know...apologies...we'll resume to the regularly scheduled program later. _____
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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 23 Jun 2004 07:52 Post subject: quote

Yeah I know what you mean.

I am getting tired...So I better say Goodnight so I don't start getting cranky for real!

Goodnight KiddKapps

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peace bro..and as they say in cakalee land be easy.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 11:48 Post subject: quote

MikeRoots:

Yes, I saw your post. Unfortunately, I have been posting and running. You bring up some good points that I would like to address. I will post a response soon.

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Posts: 101
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Posted: 24 Jun 2004 02:44 Post subject: quote

“ two important words I will focus on right now are "at first". AT FIRST someone may suppose themselves to be an opponent of Christianity when it is really the false version which they oppose. They may oppose lies, hypocrisy, prejudice and the like which may be covered by the guise of "Christianity", but in reality are Anti-Christ in origin. These qualities are of Satan- not Yeshua (Jesus). BUT- at some point man must confess with their mouths and believe in their hearts in Jesus Christ.”

I see your point. This confession of the Messiah does not necessarily make one a Xian. As you state elsewhere in your post, even Zema (looking forward to M. Dread’s interview) has a more Messianic faith. Many can believe the bible, yet not engage in the Xian culture. Consider Hebrew Israelites, RasTafari, other Messianics. Xianity is a belief and a culture. Not everyone likes the culture.

Concerning Yabby You, you wrote:

“The things which puzzle me a bit are songs (such as "Zion Gate") which embrace Marcus Garvey's teachings of repatriation back to Africa. My feeling on repatriation is that ALL who have recieved JAH Son will be going home to be with Him one day- not just blacks and not to Africa.”

This ideology is irrelevant to faith in the Messiah. To enjoy the writings of Marcus Garvey is not a sin, neither is it anti-Bible. Garvey left us a lot of information that is beneficial to the enlistment of black people. If you are black (or white for that matter) and like Garvey, there is nothing wrong with that. This is a culture issue that you do not like. This should be separated from biblical issues. This is a common error among Xians. Also, consider

this. Dub Street Rockers and Asherman sing about repatriation and Afrika. Is this an issue for you, also. This is a Xian group with serious Afro-conscious messages (whether or not any/all of them are black). Also, they have a song about the 12 tribes, this is a non-standard Xian production, in my view.

"I don't know why Yabby distances himself from other believers in Christ- at least that we know of amongst the reggae massive. Have others tried reaching out to him? I don't know."

Perhaps he doesn't like the culture surrounding Western faith. I, personally, do not. Shortly, I will be wrapping up my communication on the site, except for newsletter notifications. I posted here in order to give input about certain RasTafari misinformation that is disseminated on this site. However, this is not my "crew" if you know what I mean. A similar belief system does not necessitate that you have intense fellowship/communication with people. But, as you so say, Zema would know best. He actually worked on her album.

"Something also haven't understood as why Yabby would choose to produce and collaborate with with someone (Michael Prophet) who has publicly said that he doesn't believe that Jesus is King of Kings, Lord of Lords and Messiah but someone who he simply respects as a man who is "strong". Rather, Prophet claims allegiance to Selassie. I will look for and post the quote if you're interested."

I've seen this information online. That is Yabby's prerogative. Music is his job. Just like Zema, who has played for many RasTafari and sang back-up for them. She is a working musician, she works. Consider Naaman who still bowed in the temple even though he believed in YHWH after his cleansing from leprosy. Jah Pickney plays secular on his show, that is his job as a DJ. Also, there is just music that friends do with friends. The Winans lady sang a song with Whitney Houston. Please show me where this violates a biblical

command. If it is against the Bible and faith, then you should call Zema, CeCe or BeBe, Jah Pickney, Al Green, Robert Randolph, POD, Amy Grant, Solomon Jabby, and others too numerous to mention into question, also.

“I think we SHOULD befriend people who may not know the truth in hopes that they one day will, BUT not contribute to their works which are contrary. I say we must draw the line. “

Too many people have already drawn a line and have alienated those who need the Messiah. That is a major problem with religion. This was, also, a problem with the Pharisees in the time of YahShua. YahShua had no line that was drawn. I don’t think that believers should have lines, either. Read these posts and you will see some of the foolishness that alienates believers from one another. I, myself, have contributed to it at different times.

“As Yabby in sings one of his songs, echoing the words of the Saviour- "I come not to call the righteous, I come to call sinners to repentance.”

“Walls of Jerusalem" is a powerful song. It is off of the chain. I have never heard a Xian reggae song that I have enjoyed as much as the message of this song. Yabby You is the man. My greatest reggae fantasy would be to see him perform live.

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 827
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 24 Jun 2004 03:44 Post subject: quote

Hi Aaron Judah,
Thanks for your responses. You are very astute and quite knowledgeable, which is refreshing. I'm a bit disappointed to see that you will stop discussing things on this site because I have rather enjoyed your input. Perhaps you'll reconsider.

I see your point. This confession of the Messiah does not necessarily make one a Xian. As you state elsewhere in your post, even Zema (looking forward to M. Dread's interview) has a more Messianic faith. Many can believe the bible, yet not engage in the Xian culture. Consider Hebrew Israelites, RasTafari, other Messianics. Xianity is a belief and a culture. Not everyone likes the culture.

I agree- the confession in and of itself doesn't make one a Christian, but believing in the heart is necessary as well. I see it as a conscious acknowledgement of Yeshua as Messiah. I agree wholeheartedly with your assertion regarding culture and I certainly don't endorse a particular set of cultural principles that one must adhere to. Yeshua, the Truth, is Whom we must follow- apart from this, there are many from various walks, tongues, etc. who are all my brethren and sistren. I find personal interest in the Judaic roots of my faith and seek to incorporate aspects of it into my own life. In doing so I find it enriches my walk with Christ. I think we would all do well to investigate the cultural origins of our faith.

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I never said to enjoy the writings of Marcus Garvey was a sin. I only said that I was perplexed by the references and have a bit of difficulty seeing their congruity with biblical Christianity. I don't know a great deal about Garvey, but I see his Afrocentric views to some degree as a response to racism. The idea that people of African origin should separate themselves from those in the Western hemisphere and move back to Africa is not a view I agree with. The tragedies which Africans suffered in being enslaved and the ensuing bigoted, prejudicial treatment they and their ancestors have been subjected to are truly a blemish on humanity. However, what some meant for evil JAH turned for good. I couldn't begin to measure the spiritual and cultural enrichment that has been produced within the Western Hemisphere by those of African origin.

Interestingly enough, for a number of years I was part of a non-denominational fellowship which led by a pastor who strongly believed that the biblical Israelites were those were taken away into slavery because of their disobedience to God Almighty. If one examines the plight of the captivity of Israel with that of Africans who were taken from their homeland and enslaved, there are mighty strong parallels in light of scripture.

I am very familiar with Dub Street Rockers featuring Asherman and the album "Zion Ready", which you refer to. Actually, I wrote a review on the album for the Lion Of Zion record store. I know that Asherman sings of repatriation and I do find it intriguing for reasons mentioned above. I am looking for enlightenment from others as to this view and how to reconcile it to Christianity. Perhaps I'm looking at it as separatism when that is not the intent. Please help me understand as I admit my undertstanding in this area is quite limited.

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I would guess that you're probably right in regards to Yabby's cultural preferences. Perhaps for selfish reasons I'd love to see him work with Solomon Jabby, Judy Mowatt, Lester Lewis, etc. I have been listening to Yabby's music for many years and have several of his albums. As I said earlier, I'll be a bit disappointed to see you go as you add a refreshingly different perspective to what many may consider the norm. However, I do understand and respect that you may not feel like you fit in or that this is your "crew". What I would say though is that the "crew" around here may be more varied than you think. I too look forward to Zema's interview being published, even though I have had direct communication with her.

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I think collaboration is wonderful as long as one's integrity isn't compromised. This is why I am puzzled as to why Yabby would work with Michael Prophet IN THAT REGARDS. I can see talking with, advising, showing "respect" as a bredren but I can't understand why he would contribute to the works which proclaim a message contrary to that which Yabby clearly professes to believe. Can you feel me? Maybe I'm nitpicking, but I don't get it. I'm not saying that Michael Prophet's music and lyrics don't contain truths because I know that they do, but there is a starkly different ideology in how he views the person of Jesus Christ. I'm sorry but I don't see this as just "work". It's not the same as plumbing, electrical, carpentry or accounting- it's about teachings and reasonings. The music is a means of communicating a message and espousing beliefs.

"Walls of Jerusalem" is a powerful song. It is off of the chain. I have

never heard a Xian reggae song that I have enjoyed as much as the message of this song. Yabby You is the man. My greatest reggae fantasy would be to see him perform live.

"Walls Of Jerusalem" is a great tune fe true! Great lyrics and musical vibes- I agree with you 100%. I would also love to see Yabby perform live and have the chance to meet him.

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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 24 Jun 2004 03:59 Post subject: quote

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Just to clarify, I only see a violation of biblical command in that (in collaboration) one might proclaim untruths or principles which are contrary to those commanded by the Lord of Lords. I would have to examine each case to see if the message (if lyrics are involved) is in alignment with the professed faith of the participating artiste or not. For the record, I am not against such collaborations but actually see them as good opportunities for followers of Christ to reach out to non-believers or seekers.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 03:01 Post subject: quote

Well, thank you for the compliment. What seems to be astute when read is actually "geeky" when you meet me in person. Jah Nerd. Mayber I should change my screen name.

I would highly recommend "Philosophy and Opinions." It is informative. Garvey had some good ideas and made some brave proclamations when no one else was speaking up for the diaspora.

An interesting point about repatriation: I have encountered 2 Japhets who want to go back to Afrika. This was new and a pleasant surprise to me. I'm all for it. I would also like to hear other views on repatriation.

Aren't you in a reggae group, Mike? I tried your WWW link, but it took me to your station. Do you have any music downloads on the web? I've seen some of blaminack's on versionist.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 25 Jun 2004 03:46 Post subject: quote Here is a link to some of Mike's songs... http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=MIKEYROOTS Jah Nerd, is a great Nickname by the way! !!!!! About Repatriation... I know of VERY few Rastas that have left for Shashamane, or any other part of Africa. I do believe that many who do have the means don't becaue of the Political situations, Islam, war, AIDS, etc. The list is almost endless. (If I am not very badly mistaken some of the Marley family have moved to West Africa) Saddly enough many Africans are doing their best to come here. Why? Oppptunity. The truth is that there is much political corruption, poor healthcare, recession in countries that have HUGE resources, but cannot take advantage of them. I believe that the idea of Repatriation is really no differant than the Pie in the Sky deal that Rastas are so against in the Christian faith? Oh I know that sounds rough, but it is not meant to be. Here is what I mean... Christians are accused of doing nothing right now to change things because we are waiting for the Pie in the Sky, while people suffer now...

Rastas (many of which could afford a one way plane ticket) talk alot about Repatriation and never just go. The closest many get is buying a "African Art" objects for their home, never even considering the conditions that the Artist was compensated for the work. In truth if we really disect the matter if Rasta cannot solve the problems of the community where they are it may be best that they don't repatriate because that would just add fuel to the fire that is in Africa. It is a very sad deal. I personally know some Africans, and left to come here, because the conditions were worse in Africa. I am not saying that all of Africa is in bad shape, by the way.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 06:20 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah,

> **Quote:**
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I'll second that motion.

> **Quote:**
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I'll second this one also.

If a believer wants to work with someone who is not against Christ for a goal that is for Christ, it is OK. If a believer wants to work with someone who is actively spreading falsehoods or negativity about Christ it is wrong. I would have to agree completely with Mike. It is one thing to be a friend, it is another to help spread untruths.

On the subject of repatriation I am sorry I dont have a comment. I really do not know enough about the pros and cons. Perhaps you would have some info that would be helpful?

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 03:13 Post subject: quote

Thanks for the compliments. These reasonings are interesting, but they can only go so far. After they reach a certain point, they become unproductive (sidetracked, topics become personal, etc.). I watched some of the threads for a good while before posting. I imagine if anything peeks my interest, I'll post again.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 07 Jul 2004 16:16 Post subject: "Musical Evangelists Reach Rastafari Community Using Re quote Original URL: http://www.charismanews.com/a.php?ArticleID=9362 **Quote:** Musical Evangelists Reach Rastafari Community Using Reggae Musical artists are using reggae music to reach the Rastafari community, a formless movement that makes it such a major challenge to the church, observers say. The late reggae star Bob Marley is the single most influential figure in seeing the spread of Rastafari from a small, island religion of Jamaica to a global movement influencing millions. He promoted through his music -- still selling well more than 20 years after his death -- Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie's divinity as the black Lion of Judah, mystical oneness with the creator Jah, and the rejection of Western society as ungodly "Babylon." Espousing peace and harmony, the Rastafringe "fits whatever lifestyle you want to live," said Jamaican seminary lecturer and apologist Clinton Chisholm, an expert on the movement. "There's no pressure on you ethically," Chisholm told "Charisma" magazine in the June issue, out now. The full article on the Rastafari religion can be found in the magazine. "It's an umbrella that doesn't put any pressure on you -- you just love and enjoy your music and do your own thing. ... It's significant in that every person who moves towards Rastafari, even if they are not really deep in conviction or commitment, is a harder person to win to Jesus," he added. Although reggae music continues to spread Rastafari's message of Jah love around the world, a revival of sorts is occurring among artists in the style's island birthplace who are finding true peace in Jesus' love. "So many musicians and singers have converted to Christianity, it's amazing. The number is growing daily," said Judy Mowatt, revered as a member of Bob Marley's I-Threes backing group and a leading reggae artist in her own right. "He is drawing them. I know God is changing the singers and the players because they can influence the rest of society." A longtime follower of Rastafari, Mowatt came to Christ a few years ago when a family crisis made her realize she didn't have peace. Now a praise and worship leader at her local "Spirit-filled" church, she still continues to tour occasionally. Although her music was always "God focused," she added that "what I was giving them was not of Christ -- it will have to be done over." Tommy Cowans -- Marley's former tour manager and longtime emcee of the renowned Reggae Sunsplash tours -- and his singer wife, Carlene Davis, have collaborated on several gospel albums since her conversion in 1996. Also going back to the concert halls with a different message is Papa San, whose dancehall music -- a blend of traditional reggae and hip-hop -- took him to the top of the secular charts in the 1990s. The son of "an old-time Rasta man," San began studying the faith for himself but could not accept the idea that Selassie was God. Since his conversion to Christ in 1997, he has burned all his secular music awards and dedicated himself to evangelism through music. "I'm a fisher of men and music is my bait," he said, acknowledging reggae's power in spreading the Rasta message. "Music is created in heaven, not on Earth. When all this [world] is done, music will still remain because there will be worship in heaven." _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 07 Jul 2004 17:22 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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too many people are making light of such a serious thing as dreadlocks and RasTa livity. i cant stand it.

(sorry, i know that wasnt the focus of the article but that caught my eye)

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 07 Jul 2004 17:26 Post subject: quote

I agree 100%

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 07 Jul 2004 18:07 Post subject: quote

i have a close bredren who is an elder in the Nyabinghi house here in trinidad. and we reasoning in light of the mighty diamond and big youth stopping off on this rock and he mentioned that he doesnt really go to the shows anymore cause of all the slackness and sinfulness of all these dread-o-crits that go and drink up all they babylon brew and chase after the empresses and all kind of thing. so i tell him *"hear what to do, i will go and get a real big sharp pair of hedge clippers and InI will gather some bredren and go around i will pull up the locks and the-i snip with the clippers, just lke so(demonstrating with my hands) pull..snip, pull..snip, pull..snip"* then him bawl out YES I!! and say *"ya man and we go carve on the wooden handle "Ras Clippas"* "and get a good joyful

laugh from the idea.

InI both know Jah go deal with them but the idea sounded nice

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 08 Jul 2004 11:55 Post subject: quote

Yeah, it happens when I'm in certain places and ("dreadlocked") people start to tell mi idren to leave that corner (for it is their coke sell corner) or these same people try to push me to the ground when I am just standing there. Some can't take a natural natty in their neighborhood for the natural natty by his mere appearance exposes the "dreadocrites".

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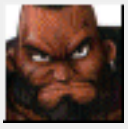
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 08 Jul 2004 22:40 Post subject: Rasta not Relativism quote

Quote:

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> "There's no pressure on you ethically," Chisholm told "Charisma" magazine in the June issue, out now. The full article on the Rastafari religion can be found in the magazine.

Has Chisholm ever listened to any music written by Rastas? When Ziggy sings "no destruction is greater" than committing a sin, what does Chisholm think that means? Did Bob Marley sing about Jah's judgment (in songs too numerous to list) for nothing? How could Rastas be accounted "anything goes" while they ever cry out for "justice"?

What kind of absurdity is it to say Rastafari allows "whatever

lifestyle"? What about growing locks and eating ital? If anything, Rasta livity can often be more strict than Christian, as when Bob Marley condemned androgynous clothing (most Christians do not consider that sinful).

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 09 Jul 2004 00:31 Post subject: quote

You missed an important thing in the statement and by doing you you missed the point. He said the Rasta FRINGE. That means the edges. Not the Central teachings. Those that are claiming Rasta but are closer to something else. This a huge tread that I could give tons of links to show, like mixing in New Age teachings, Indian Gurus, Yoga, Kemetism etc. Rasta is being taken over by hippies...

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 09 Jul 2004 16:13 Post subject: fake != real quote **Quote:** You missed an important thing in the statement and by doing you you missed the point. He said the Rasta FRINGE. That means the edges. Not the Central teachings. Those that are claiming Rasta but are closer to something else. This a huge tread that I could give tons of links to show, like mixing in New Age teachings, Indian Gurus, Yoga, Kemetism etc. Rasta is being taken over by hippies... Them who don't live it aren't Rastas. Rasta can't be blamed for fakes and dreadicrites, even among their number. That would be wrong and unfair, like blaming practicing Christians for nominal church-goers who never change. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 10 Jul 2004 01:56 Post subject: quote

Exactly! The guy who wrote the article was addressing the fringes with this statement, not mainstream Rasta. Therefore the offense is directed to those that are part of the fringe that call themselves Rasta who are in fact not. Like the guy who made the website that says that Cannibas is God's name. Obviously fringe, yet to the outsider looking in he is Rasta because he says he is Rasta. Those are the types being addressed.

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12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 41 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 10 Oct 2004 23:03 Post subject: My question and comments as a Rastaman quote Peace and Love to all in the Name of the Almighty Father, Jah, His Son, Yeshua the Messiah, & in the Holy Spirit. It came to my attention that the moderators decided to name this forum Rasta and ganja. Now I am curious to know why they did this? Are they assuming that Rastafari only deals with Ganja? Do they really know that Rastafari deals with the teachings of the Bible, of the Messiah, Yeshua, His Imperial Majesty, Marcus Garvey, & the acceptance of Ethiopia and Israel being one? If this is what they truly believe, then I am here to imply that Rastafari is not just about reggae, ganja, and dreadlocks, but much more than that. Again this is just a question that I am asking here, so I would appreciate someone clarifying their reason for naming this forum Rasta and Ganja reasoning. This is not my first time posting here, and I have explained myself to some members that I am a Rastafarian who speaks on Yeshua the Messiah or Jesus like most of you know him as. This is the same Son of Jah whom Emperor Haile Selassie directed all Rastafarians too, through his own inspirational words. However, even though I have accept the Messiah and not the Emperor as thee Anointed of Jah, it is not my right to try and convert my fellow Rastafarians but only up to Jah to pour His Holy Spirit and opened ones eyes to the truth. That is exactly what I am doing on my site Twelve Tribes Live Up, bringing all Rastafarians together, not tearing them

apart, & sharing with them the teachings of the Holy Bible and the Gospel of the Kingdom, which even Yeshua shared with those in ancient Israel. Since I have returned to this forum, I have seen many questions asked about the Emperor Haile Selassie, concerning the characteristics of him.

Well as a Rastafarian, I have no doubt saying that the Emperor was not only a true Christian king, but one of the Kings of Israel like David and Solomon was, how could anyone deny this truth? I have heard and obtain interviews and speeches of His Imperial Majesty, & when asked if he is King of Kings of Ethiopia, Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Elect of Jah, & Light of this World, the Emperor agrees. But really I am not surprised to actually see ones denying these titles that was given to not only His Majesty but all the Ethiopian kings.

Alot of Europeans fail to accept the fact that an African king actually sat on the oldest sovereign throne on earth, the Throne of David, because of their white supremist mindset. :x Oswald Hoffman called His Majesty, Lion of Judah & King of Kings of Ethiopia, & the Emperor had no problem with that. Even Bill McNeil questioned him," It is said that you are descended from King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, your Majesty. That you are the 134th of the Christian Kings?" Selassie simply said," Yes that is correct." If the Emperor knew this was a mistake in claiming ancestry to Solomon and Sheba & being Lion of Judah, he would have told Bill McNeil, that is what people say but its not true.

Even with Oriana Fallaci, she asked him the same question of his Davidic Solomonic lineage and he also said it is true. Therefore, despite what anyone want to believe, the Emperor is one of David's seeds,(Yeshua is really the seed of David though) like all the Ethiopian kings. What are ones afraid to admit? That the Royal House of David is no longer in Jerusalem but in Ethiopia? It is not a story or any myth like ones believe but is truth & the Kebre show I n I Rastafari that! It is even written in the very Ethiopian Constitution that the Kings of Ethiopia physically originated from Israel.

Ones need to know that it is not blasphemous for the Ethiopian kings to receive titles, King of Kings, Conquering Lion of Judah, Elect of God, & Light of the World, because it is an ancient Israelite tradition, David,

Solomon and all the Kings of Israel also were known as this, not just the Ethiopian kings alone. All the kings and emperors use these titles to represent the Messiah, the Christ, who will return to sit and rule on the Throne of Israel, not for themselves.

It is Him, King Yeshua, who Revelations 17 & 19 teaches about being the King of all kings and Lord of all lords! :D I really don't care what anyone can say about His Imperial Majesty, because none of these critics can't even walk in the footsteps of the Emperor, a true Christian king, who boldly defended the Christ to the world! So let Meles Zenawi and all those Ethiopian carpers fool people about the Emperor all they want, his legacy will never end! Jah bless His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I! Praises be to the Almighty Father through His Son, Yeshua the Messiah! :D

p.s. Like His Majesty said," "Some people have written the story of my life representing as truth, what in fact derives from ignorance, error or envy; but they cannot shake the truth from its place, even if they attempt to make others believe it."

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
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Location: Caribbean

Posted: 10 Oct 2004 23:48 Post subject: Selassie's Israelite lineage, & Rastafari. quote

The Imperial diginity shall remain perpetually to the line of Haile Sellassie I, descendant of King Sahle Sellassie, whose line descends without interruption from the dynasty of Menelik I, son of the Queen of Ethiopia, the Queen of Sheba and King Solomon of Jerusalem.

The sucession to the Throne and Crown of the Empire by the descendants of the Emperor and the exercise of the powers of Regency shall be determined as hereinafter provided.

By virtue of His Imperial Blood, as well as by the anointing which He has recieved, the person of the Emperor is sacred, His dignity is inviolable and His power indisputable. He is, consequently, entitled to all the honours due to Him in accordance with tradition and the present

Constitution. Any one so bold as to seek to injure the Emperor will be punished.

If you want to read the Ethiopian Constution for yourself, go to this site, http://groups.msn.com/DaRootsandKultcha/constitution.msnw
If ones still disbelieve then go to Ethiopia yourself and read the Ethiopian Constitution then. Now let us ask ourselves if Haile Selassie wasn't really from the lineage of Solomon and David, like ones believe, then he would have certainly disapproved what was said in the Ethiopian Constitution about Him coming from Solomon and Sheba. Only those Ethiopian critics who are loyal to Mengistu and the Dergue would only think it is a lie, because they don't want ones to know exactly who the Emperor really was, they just want to keep undermining him.

They are nothing but hypocrites who want people to believe what they say instead of ones learning for themselves who His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie was & still is spiritually. Of course he made mistakes in his lifetime as a human being, but for anyone to blame the famine on the Emperor when he very much gave all he had for Ethiopia is truly disrespectful, blame the Ethiopian government instead! Some of you need to do your research on the Emperor before being fooled by ones. Becareful of who you disrespect because Yeshuah wouldn't like it at all.

The Ethiopian Constution not only shows Selassie's Israelite lineage but all the Ethiopian kings, excluding Emperor Yasu, son of Ras Mikael of Wollo, who rather embraced Islam & not Orthodox Christianity. I noticed that ones are using the Ethiopian flag, but just know who Ethiopia really is, an ancient Israelite African nation, that already knew of the true Christianity, not this westernized version of it, which Europeans came with to Africa, before using these colors. For these are spiritual colors, not just only Rastafarian but originally Ethiopian, not for commercialization or fashion.

The above imperial declaration given to the Emperor reveals the absolute spiritual connection Rastafarians have with Ethiopia, & also shows the ancient Biblical linkage of Israel and Ethiopia. This is the reason why I n I Rastafarians see ourselves as the Lost Tribes of Israel, the Twelve Tribes of Israel, from that time in this day now. Rastafari

doesn't deal with Judaism, Christianity, Islam or any faith, this is not a religion but a spirituality. Like the Emperor said religion seperates the people, but spirituality brings them together.

Rastafari didn't just begin in Jamaica in the late 20's, early 30's like ones assume, this is a spiritual movement that existed from the ancient biblical times of the Nation of Israel, just not officially known as Rastafari yet, until after His Imperial Majesty was crowned Emperor of Ethiopia, whose precoronation title was Ras Tafari. The same Israelites later migrated to not only the Mediterranean and Asia, but Africa, and were captured by those Europeans to be slaves in the Western Hemisphere.

Another thing that ones need to know is that the Hebrew Israelites were certainly not white, but dark skinned peoples, Shemetic. Yet we cannot ignore the fact that Hamites also married Shemites, & therefore they became much darker over the ages. The Messianic Faith, or the true Christian faith, as it was originally known as, didn't even embrace none of the modern teachings of Christianity. This is why I emphasize that Rastafari doesn't deal with western Christianity, but the Messianic Faith. Neither does Rastafari deal with Judaism, because that is a plain religion.

I feel that it is time that ones realise what Rastafari is really about. We are surely not any cult like many falsely believe, but an African Liberation Movement, that is even being internationally embraced by all kinds of peoples. Therefore for those who might feel that Rastafari is lost and needs to be found by Jesus, well Rastafari already knows the truth. For the Emperor was the one who pointed us to the teachings of the Holy Bible and to the Messiah Himself, Yeshua. Let Jah be the judge to decide who is right or wrong. While not all Christians are ignorant to speak with Rastafarians, some surely are.

But I hope that they can remove this igorance from their minds sooner or later. Because even Yeshua reasoned with all kinds of people, & never excluded anyone from him to hear about the Gospel of the Kingdom. For the Messiah was sent by Jah to save and redeem all peoples unto the Father again, & preach the Good News to them. Let's not forget the Messiah's Mission on Earth. One more thing I would like to add in this

discussion, Yeshua had to been a dreadlocks, because he was persecuted same way like the Rastafarians are now, for not only wearing their locks but being a part of the Rastafari Movement! Thanks to His Imperial Majesty for teaching us Rastafarians, the true Christianity!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:19 Post subject: quote

For the answer to the question at the very first of your post... the Moderators didn't make this section or the name of it. That was done by the Administrator, who is not working with LOZ any longer.

Welcome to the site by the way. I hope that you can contribute much valuable perspective to the reasonings here.

As far as the name of the section goes, I think it had to do with the world's perspective and stereotypes of what the Reggae Scene is about.

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:35 Post subject: quote

Ok then blaminack. Like I told Muslim Fire, I am not new to this site, I was already a member from since 2002.

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blaminack
Moderator

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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 04:59 Post subject: quote

Now that you mention it I seem to remember seeing the name before. I guess you just been giving us the silent treatment? LOL

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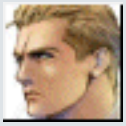
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 15:08 Post subject: white european thing? quote

Quote:

> Alot of Europeans fail to accept the fact that an African king actually sat on the oldest sovereign throne on earth, the Throne of David, because of their white supremist mindset.

I'm having trouble with the fact that every time someone questions something about Rastafari, this is called European White misunderstanding. I see this time and time again. Like if you question rastafari you always are white and European. But I'm not questioning things because of the fact that I'm white or European, I am because my brains work and question things in reasoning. I'm trying to be objective. But over and over again I see many people explain this as being a white and European thing, and therefore wrong. But let me tell you that I know a lot of black people, not from Europe, that ask the same things and question rastafari as well. Like anything else in the world, rastafari should be questioned, and when done so, it shouldn't be explained as a white European thing all the time.

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 16:08 Post subject: quote

blessed love,
Ini was reasoning wid a bredren who linked wid one who had just entered deh seminary. deh way dat deh theology is taught is according to deh time periods of reformation, deh dark ages, enlightenment age and one other Ini forgot. deh point is dat none of dese deal wid Afreecan spirituality, so why do Ini need dem as an Afreecan? when all dese periods were happening in Europe deh rest of creation still went on, not standing still waiting for Europe to find itself.
the integral problem wid dis, is dat Europe is deh last continent to receive Christianity but today assumes deh role as deh primary teacher. dis means dat deh globe is taking deh slant of European theology and accepting it as deh concrete truth. Irie, dis is why ones speak of deh disbelief of the only righteous throne being occupied by an Afreecan, because it has be europe, europe europe for so many years now dat deh brainwashing is complete. you now have displaced Afreecans emulating their European downpressors for a place in deh heavenly sky, when proverbs tells I "envy not deh oppressor & choose none of his ways"- 3:31.
there are ones on dis forum who accept ad acknowledge deh pope's authority like it is divine, fiyah bun dat! but ones readily and unquestionly tek deh pope's authority of sitting pon a stool as holy because he's a european, so it mus be right! deh number upon deh pope's helmet is 666 and his actions reflect deh same.
it is dis environment dat has shaped deh world view and deh reason why it is difficult for ones generally to accept a divine Afreecan. dis si a old saying here but it still holds its validity to dis very day -
white is right -yellow is mellow - brown stick around & black get back!
Jahave mercy!
Hail H.I.M.inperfectlove

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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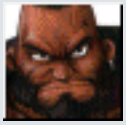

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Posted: 11 Oct 2004 19:27 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

> Ini was reasoning wid a bredren who linked wid one who had just entered deh seminary. deh way dat deh theology is taught is according to deh time periods of reformation, deh dark ages, enlightenment age and one other Ini forgot. deh point is dat none of dese deal wid Afreecan spirituality, so why do Ini need dem as an Afreecan?

I am very sorry to hear that your brother went to a horribly deficient seminary. In the seminary I attended, we studied many African theologians and their teachings. Any seminary worth its salt *must* do this, because *the most influential theologians of all Christian history were from Africa*.

Among the most influential Christian theologians of all time were Origen ("father of Greek theology"), Tertullian ("father of Latin theology"), Athanasius of Alexandria, and Augustine of Hippo. It would be difficult to argue that anyone else has had an influence in Christian theology approaching these four, and all four of them are Africans.

Innumerable martyrs, saints, and theologians are the glory of Africa, home to almost all the Desert Fathers and Mothers (e.g. Anthony the Great, Mary of Egypt) and at least three bishops of Rome (i.e. Catholic popes). Among the great African Christians of ancient times are Clement of Alexandria, Alexander of Alexandria, Catherine Great-martyr of Alexandria, Perpetua and Felicity, Cyprian of Carthage, Lactantius, Arnobius, Alexander of Lycopolis, Peter Martyr of Alexandria, Pierius of Alexandria, Cyril of Alexandria, Theonas of Alexandria, Dionysius the Great, and Fulgetius of Ruspe. The Councils of Hippo Regius and Carthage were crucial in the precise definition of the Christian canon of Scripture. The debt of modern Christians to the Church in Africa is incalculable.

Quote:

> the integral problem wid dis, is dat Europe is deh last continent to receive Christianity but today assumes deh role as deh primary teacher.

I disagree. Africa is producing an amazing array of world missionaries these days. Europe is producing very little.

> **Quote:**
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> "envy not deh oppressor & choose none of his ways"

Amen!

> **Quote:**
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> ones readily and unquestionly tek deh pope's authority of sitting pon a stool as holy because he's a european, so it mus be right!

Actually, I think there are very few Catholics on this forum. Roots Doc used to be one, but I don't think he is anymore. Most people here are Protestants, while others of us lean to the East.

But I do know Catholics do not follow the pope "because he's a european." They believe their first pope ever was a Middle Eastern Jew (Shimon Kefa, Peter), and there have been at least three African popes whom they consider just as authoritative as John Paul II.

> **Quote:**
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> deh number upon deh pope's helmet is 666 and his actions reflect deh same.

I am curious about this, though. By his "helmet" do you mean the little white kippa he wears? (I think Catholics call it a "zuchetto," but it's a kippa nonetheless.) It doesn't have any numbers or letters on it.

I'm also curious about which of his actions you condemn so strongly. John Paul II has been the foremost proponent of third world debt relief, for example; do you oppose it? He opposed the U.S. offensive war in Iraq; were you strongly in favor of the war? He teaches his followers that "Racism is a sin that constitutes a serious offense against God" and they must "condemn any racism, no matter in what heart or place it is found"; do you prefer racism instead? What have you got against him?

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perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 12 Oct 2004 16:54 Post subject: quote deh pope has stated dat he, himself is infalliable and cannot do wrong. deh pope says dat he is a vicar of Christ but he leads a worldwide demon-nation(denomination) of vampiristic predatorial preists dat cannot or choose not to keep their hands out of little boys pants. deh office of deh pope has been historically for sale and it really has no scriptural basis. if deh office of deh papcy is please let I know. Revelation 17:9 And here [is] the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. seven hills of rome Revelation 17:18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth. NOTE: This is actually Roman Numerals. The Romans used this for their alphabet and their number system. VICARIVS FILII DEI (Vicar of the Son of God) V= 5 I= 1 C=100 A= 0 R= 0

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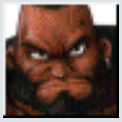

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Posted: 12 Oct 2004 18:18 Post subject:

quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

> deh pope has stated dat he, himself is infalliable and cannot do wrong.

Actually, "cannot do wrong" is *not* the meaning of "infallible." My Catholic friends are happy to point out that John Paul II goes to confession to confess his own sins at least once a week. Why don't you find out what Catholics actually believe instead of attacking something they really *don't* believe? It would make your arguments against Catholicism more credible.

Quote:

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Everyone is *rightly* offended by evils like pedophilia. Pedophilia is inexcusable, no matter who commits it.

The Catholic Church agrees with me on this. The Catholic Church clearly teaches the sexual abuse of children to be gravely sinful. In the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*'s list of moral offenses, one finds: "...any sexual abuse perpetrated by adults on children or adolescents entrusted to their care. The offense is compounded by the scandalous harm done to the physical and moral integrity of the young, who will remain scarred by it all their lives; and the violation of responsibility for their upbringing." (CCC 2389).

In this context, it is worthwhile to note that the rate of pedophilia among Catholic priests (1.5-2%) is *no higher than any other segment of society* (teachers, police, politicians, non-Catholic clergy, etc.) and actually *lower* than many. Even non-Catholic academics like Philip Jenkins note that there have been similar sexual scandals in many other religious groups, such as the Anglican Communion, various Protestant churches, and the Jewish and Islamic communities. Why isn't the media just as concerned about sexual abuse in those populations? They should be.

So if you want to really put an end to pedophilia, as I do, you must not pretend it is merely a Catholic problem. It is a problem in *every* community. We must all work to protect children from predatory adults.

Quote:

> deh office of deh pope ... has no scriptural basis.

Obviously, Catholics disagree, and they've written numerous books on the subject. I think that even Christians who do not agree with Catholics about the nature of the papacy, like Protestant and Eastern Orthodox Christians, can benefit from reading some of these books. Have you ever read any? My Catholic friends particularly recommend these:

Jesus, Peter & the Keys: A Scriptural Handbook on the Papacy
Upon This Rock: St. Peter and the Primacy of Rome in Scripture and the Early Church
Pope Fiction: Answers to 30 Myths & Misconceptions About the Papacy

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Well, for what it's worth, Vatican hill is *not* one of the seven hills of Rome. In fact, it's on the *opposite side* of the Tiber River from the "City on Seven Hills."

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The math adds up, but the title does not. Though he is often called the "Vicar of Christ," "Vicarivs Filii Dei" is actually *not* one of the Pope's real titles.

I found this out very simply by doing a Google search. Here's an excerpt from an article by Patrick Madrid:

Patrick Madrid wrote:

Fiction 5
Accusation: The pope is the beast spoken of in Revelation 13. Verse 1 says that he wears crowns and has "blasphemous names" written on his head. Verse 18 says that the numerical value of his name adds up to 666. The pope's official title in Latin is Vicarius Filii Dei (Vicar Son of God). If you add that up using Roman numerals, you get 666. The pope's tiara is emblazoned with this title, formed by diamonds and other jewels.

Response: I wasn't very good at math in school, but even I can follow this argument and run the numbers well enough to show it's bogus. (Besides, answering this question is apologetics at its most fun!) The charge that the pope is the beast of Revelation 13, because his title adds up to 666, is especially popular with Seventh-Day Adventists, but it's also widely repeated in some Protestant circles.

Vicarius Filii Dei does have the mathematical value of 666 in Latin. Here's how it works. Like many ancient languages, such as Greek and Hebrew, some Latin letters are also used for numbers: I = 1, V = 5, X = 10, L = 50, C = 100, D = 500 and M = 1000. The letter "u" is rendered as V and the letter "w," which doesn't exist in the Latin alphabet, would be rendered as VV. So this title would read in Latin as VICARIVS FILII DEI.

When calculating the value of a name or word, letters that don't have a numerical value are ignored. For example, drop out the no-value letters in my name, PATRICK MADRID, and you come up with 2102 — 1 (i) + 100 (c) + 1000 (m) + 500 (d) + 1 (i) + 500 (d) = 2102. (By the way, this is one reason why, as far as I know, no one has yet accused me of being in league with the anti-Christ. The numbers just don't add up.)

But in the case of VICARIVS FILII DEI, they do add up to 666. Isolate the numbers and this is what you get: 5 (v) + 1 (i) + 100 (c) + 1 (i) + 5 (V) + 1 (i) + 50 (L) + 1 (i) + 1 (i) + 500 (d) + 1 (i) = 666.

But there are problems with this. The first is that *Vicarius Filii Dei, or "Vicar of the Son of God," is not now, nor has it ever been, a title of the bishop of Rome*. The second problem is that virtually no one, including

many unsuspecting lay Catholics, knows that this papal "title" is a fabrication. To an untrained ear, it sounds enough like one of the pope's real titles, Vicarius Christi (Vicar of Christ), to pass the test. Unfortunately for those who traffic in this particular piece of pope fiction, the real title, Vicarius Christi, adds up to only a measly 214, not the infernal 666. In fact, *none of the pope's official titles*, such as Servus Servorum Dei (Servant of the Servants of God), Pontifex Maximus (Supreme Pontiff), or Successor Petri (Successor of Peter), *will add up to 666*. That's why you never see any of them used by anti-Catholics.

If the person making this claim disputes these facts, ask him to furnish even one example of a papal decree, ecclesiastical letter, conciliar statement, or any other official Catholic document in which the pope calls himself or is referred to as the "Vicar of the Son of God." He won't be able to find one, because none exist. Vicarius Filii Dei has never been a title of the pope.

Poof! That part was easy, but some people, especially Seventh-Day Adventists, will ignore the evidence (or lack of it) and hold tenaciously to the notion that "Vicar of the Son of God" is an official papal title and therefore identifies the pope as the Beast of Revelation. What else can be said in response?

Using the same math exercise we did above, point out that the name of the woman who started the Seventh-Day Adventist church, Ellen Gould White, also adds up to 666 in Latin. (L + L + V +D + V + V + I = 666). Then ask if this proves that she is the Beast. I can assure you the answer won't be "yes." If the answer is "no," ask how this numbers game could possibly prove the pope or anyone else is the Beast. If you're answered with silence, it's a good bet that you've made some progress with the person.

The main fact to impress on someone who uses this argument is that a papal title had to be invented, one that could produce the magic number, in order to give this argument legs.

But we're not quite finished cutting it off at the knees. The charge that the pope is the Beast because he wears a crown, and Revelation 13:1 says the Beast wears crowns and has "blasphemous names" written on his head, must also be answered. This we can do more quickly.

Since about the year 708, many popes have worn at non-liturgical ceremonial events a special papal crown called a tiara, but the stylized beehive-shaped papal crown of three diadems that we have come to know as a tiara emerged only in the early 14th century. Although it was customary for tiaras to be encrusted with jewels and precious ornaments, *there is no evidence — no statue, bust, painting, drawing or even written description of any of the many tiaras that were crafted — that any papal tiara ever had the name or title of a pope emblazoned on it*.

This is significant, because there have been medieval and Renaissance popes whose extravagant vanity prodded them to have lavishly ornamented, jewel-encrusted tiaras made for themselves. And we possess paintings and statues and other representations of them produced during their lifetimes that show these tiaras (we even possess some of the actual tiaras). If any popes in history would have been tempted to succumb to the bad taste of spelling out "Vicarius Filii Dei" in diamonds across the front of their tiaras, these men would have — but they didn't. No pope did. One particular anti-Catholic tract I've seen shows a plain metal tiara with Vicarius Filii Dei written in diamonds

> across it. But it was a drawing — not a photograph of a museum piece or even a photo of a painting of a tiara.
>
> It had to be drawn, of course, because the "666 papal crown"— as with all the other pope fictions—has only ever existed in the minds of those who perpetuate this fantasy.

The tone of this argument by Madrid may leave something to be desired, but it is, nevertheless, a clear refutation of the "Vicarivs Filii Dei" nonsense.

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 04:24 Post subject: Rome is Babylon the Great quote

perfectloveinhim, isn't it obvious to I n I Rastafari, that Rome is Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots? That is why the Rastaman chant," Babylon burning. Babylon burning. Babylon burning and they have no water. Fire Fire. Fire Fire. Controlling fire to burn down Babylon."

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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12TribesLion

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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 04:36 Post subject: Give me a break man quote

irieinchrist wrote: I'm having trouble with the fact that every time someone questions something about Rastafari, this is called European White misunderstanding. I see this time and time again. Like if you question rastafari you always are white and European. But I'm not questioning things because of the fact that I'm white or European, I am because my brains work and question things in reasoning. I'm trying to be objective. But over and over again I see many people explain this as being a white and European thing, and therefore wrong. But let me tell you that I know a lot of black people, not from Europe, that ask the same things and question rastafari as well. Like anything else in the world, rastafari should be questioned, and when done so, it shouldn't be explained as a white European thing all the time.

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Please don't even look to turn this into any black and white thing, because I

personally know some white people in Rastafari, & they would also say the same thing I said. Rastafari is being embraced by all kinds of people not just Africans alone. The problem with some of you here is that you don't question Rastafari, you criticise I n I faith, especially Emperor Haile Selassie for who he really is & that is not what the Messiah would do, He came to teach us the truth. So who you really following? It surely ain't the Messiah at all. As for your comment blaminack, about me being silent all these years.lol. First of all I have a site to manage, & I really didn't want to waste my time reasoning on this site before. I think I should leave again very soon.lol.

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Posted: 14 Oct 2004 04:54 Post subject: quote

Well I hope that you don't, but as you can see some of the discussion do take alot of time. But I think it is very important! We need your input. If you want to change some of the stereotypes you have an opportunity to make some differances. Bring some well thought out reasonings. We all need that. Bless Up!

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Reggae D.O

Joined: 09 Jun 2003
Posts: 93
Location: CA

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 06:54 Post subject: quote

PerfectloveinHIM...I would have to agree with Jonagus (whom I must thank for his continued very researched and insightful posts)...I am a former Catholic (although it still feels odd saying that)...as I feel most of us come to reason about Rasta openly...you should do the same. It makes no sense to chant down Catholicism without proper evidence. What is your intent? If you feel so strongly against it...why don't you do some research and share some of your insighful info.? How would you take it if I came around and said...Selassie was just a man who was good...and now he is dead. Dumb comment right? We all come to reason and not pass judgement...please offer the same respect. Although I have chose to leave Catholicism, it was only after much study and tribulation...I would be happy to reason on the subject if your angst is properly supported. Blessings. Rootsdr.

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	"...on the continual quest for righteousness." Blessings.
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Author	Message
†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 18 Jun 2004 19:09 Post subject: Rastifarian Christ? quote Hi everyone, I was wondering something. I had read an article that stated that a group, (P.O.D.) believed that Rasta's are Christians. I have nothing against Rasta's, so don't get me wrong, but if they believe that Hallie Salassie is the Christ, than they don't believe in Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ was not Sallassie, He only came once, and He will come again, but people will know when He comes (rapture, judgement, etc). The Jesus I read about in the NT is not the "christ" from Rastafari. That is why this group is called Christafari. So if one believes that they are two different gods, then how can one say that the Rasta Christ is the same as the Christian Christ. I believe that a lot of the things I have heard Bob Marley sing are amazing and truthful. But one of the things that the devil does is tell us 99.5 percent of the truth and leave that little bit of lie there. So as much as I admire the words of Bob Marley and the things he stood for, there are a lot of error in his beliefs. He didn't believe in Christ (at least at the time he made his recordings) as

he said in Get up Stand up, some people think great God will come from the sky... you will look to yours on earth... do you see what I am saying?

I don't want to cause hurt to anyone here and if I do I appologize in advance, but I just want to understand this since I have only recently heard this. The Truth is the Truth. Christ is Christ. Christ is not a man who died. Didn't Mr. Sallassie say that he is not Christ and started the Ethiopian Church to emphasis this?

ANyways, I will leave my questions to you,

Thanks!

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What we do in life, echos in Eternity.

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cross fiyah
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Posted: 18 Jun 2004 20:34 Post subject: quote

OREMUS

You are absolutely correct!...By the way there was no need to apologize for that...If one gets upset..Oh well!...Teach God's Word WITHOUT apology!

That's the truth...Rastas may say they believe in Christ...But if they are into all the Selassie biz...Then they DO NOT believe in the true Christ...They are decieved!

Satan is a regular scripture lawyer...And I guarantee you satan can quote more scripture than most Christians can...But he always puts that little twist in there...Just enough to make it a lie...And if one is not careful..They may get tricked and decieved.

You see..Those that call themselves rasta are embarrassed about Christ...Instead of calling themselves Christian,,They call themselves rasta.

We as Christians call ourselves Christian in order to boldly show our relationship with Christ...Those that call themselves rasta are more concerned about their relationship with rasta (Haile Selassie)

than they are about their relationship with Christ.....It is almost as if they are embarrassed about Jesus Christ.

"Oh yes..I believe in Jesus Christ..But I call myself rasta".....THEN YOU DO NOT TRULY BELIEVE IN CHRIST!!

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 19 Jun 2004 02:30 Post subject: quote

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I think you might be interested in reading the thread "Christafari Dorctrine", where you might find a variety of opinnions concerning the remarks you have made in your original posting.

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So then why do they call themselves rastas?...Do they think they are better than Christians?...Are they embarrassed to call themselves Christian?...Why do they have to call themselves rasta?

Didn't Paul say not to say "We are of Paul"..?

Same applies here...Noone should say "I am rasta" or I am of rasta"

Obviously they are embarrassed about Christ's name...Either that or else they think they are better than Christians.

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Well yeah, that is why I asked for help with this, because I am unaware of many important facts concerning the movement, as you say.

So what are the facts? All I know is that they believe that one of the lost tribes is in Etheopia (spelled wrong, sorry) and that Sallasse was Christ. That is a fact from what I have read, mostly from Bob Marley's website.

If in fact they believe that Christ and Sallasse are the same person, then they are wrong and not Christians. If I am wrong in that belief, then I ask to be informed because then I am greatly mistaken.

It is like the argument with the Moslems. They too believe in Christ. But they say Christ is not God. If their Christ is not God, then it is not Jesus Christ. They are not the same Christ. They are different Christs.

My Christ died a brutal and terrible death that He did not deserve for me and for all of our sins. He took all of that on Himself. And more importantly, after He died after recieving that punishment I deserved, He ROSE from the dead. The Muslim and Rasta "christ" did not do that. At least that is what I understand.

Hey, I appreciate anyway you can enlighten me.

A servant of Jesus forever,

†Oremus

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Posted: 19 Jun 2004 08:28 Post subject: quote

What was suggested is that you read the "Christafari Doctrines" thread and find out some of the answers you are looking for there.

The fact is that the largest organized group of Rastas on the globe ARE actually believers in Jesus Christ as the Messiah. They do not look to His Imperial Majesty Haile Sellassie I as God or Christ at all. They see H.I.M. as just a picture of Christ, like Joseph or Noah in the Bible. The name of this group is the 12 tribes of Israel. The 12 tribes leader urges daily bible reading and has publickly stated His belief is Jesus as the only way to redemption.

Now there are SOME Rastas who do see Sellasie I as God. There are SOME who do not. Rastafarianism is NOT a religion. I believe that there are many people in the movement who are genuine seekers of the true and living God. I also find a refreshing purity about these who have been drawn to our Lord Jesus by Himself apart from a sometimes confused Western culture.

I believe it is wrong to judge without a clear picture of the truth. When yu assume that all of a certain group are a certain way without really studying or looking for yourself you have alot of real confusion and even wrongful generalizations.

Try looking in the churches today for instance. I heard a statement (from the pulpit) recently that only 10% of people in America today who call themselves Christians live there lives from a biblical perspective. In other words there is a drought of TRUE believers in our world today. When you really look at some of the lifestyles of people who profess Christ you will see where there heart is. I see that many Rastas want to live seperated lives to

Jah. They are willing to change the way they look, eat, and act for the creator and Redeemer of thier soul. Our prayer should be for more of that, and also that those who describe themselves as Christians to do the same.

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 19 Jun 2004 18:41 Post subject: quote

Zion, you took the words out of my keyboard.....

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Posted: 19 Jun 2004 18:46 Post subject: quote

But I'd like to add: how did the original starter of this thread get the idea from that Rastafari is what he thinks it is?

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 19 Jun 2004 20:48 Post subject: THIS RASTA CHRIST TOPIC!!!!!! quote YEs!! YOU RIGHT "**CROSS FIYAH**" we rastas believe in a different christ. The question is not even if we believe in HIM, the question is; **does he believe in us?????** reparations, repartriations, redemption & our right to be & exist as a people without being nagged no matter how non believing you feel we come??? **does** he believe in the liberation of all oppressed people from the modern day slavery shackle chains known as money that dictates their right to serve their creator **(JAH)**????? if your christ believes in all this then we the rastas/ **ANCIENT** men believe in HI.M. SELASIE(H.I.M.) TRUE WISDOM & CONFIDENCE JAH KNOW BETTER
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 19 Jun 2004 23:09 Post subject: quote

Oh come off it Warthog!...You dare to ask the question if Christ believes in you?...He died for you didn't he?

Why don't you read His Word and see exactly what Christ did?...He overturned the tables of the moneychangers!....Those moneychangers were wrong!...Instead of encouraging people to give their best to the LORD....They were trying to sell old dirty mite infested doves for people to offer to the LORD...Christ was absolutely correct in putting those dudes in their place!

Well...Does that mean Christ frowns on money?....Not at all!!....Look at the story of the talents....There is absolutely NOTHING wrong with marketing!!...There is absoluetly NOTHING wrong with money!

How can money dictate?...It can't!!...It is the love of money that is wrong!...Not money itself!

If won cood blaim munny fore dictateing theengs...Thin I cood blaim mi keeboord fore theez mispeled wirdz!

And you also dare to say that Jah knows better than His son??...You walking on thin ice buddy!!

You rastas are just trying to start another denomination.....More separation is what it is!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 19 Jun 2004 23:18 Post subject: THE MONEY!!! quote

I fighting the money thing cause its a tool the so called big guys who control babylon on weekdays who call themselves christians use to torture others(including rastas) survival to submit to their twisted fantasies!!

JAH STILL KNOWETH BEST!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 19 Jun 2004 23:33 Post subject: quote

Well then don't fight against money...Fight against the love of money!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 19 Jun 2004 23:51 Post subject: quote

I can see that you don't really know what Christ did or didn't do.

I can also see that you don't really know too much about Babylon either....It's not Big Guys that control Babylon....It is the dragon that controls it!

And you see...The dragon is NOT going to come in warlike dictating and putting people in slavery....The dragon will come in peacefully and prosperously....People will love the dragon!

But those who are in Christ DO NOT find him to be tempting!...They find him to be an ABOMINATION....That is how we escape the temptation...Simple isn't it!?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 19 Jun 2004 23:54 Post subject: quote

Warthog, you just lost me, what are you talking about with the Christian big guys torturing Rastas and others?

I have no idea what you are talking about in any way, but a tree is known by it's fruits, not the sign hanging from it! If a person is a Christian they wouold do the works of Christ. If not then they are not no matter what they call them selves. Same thing applies to Rasta. If they do not do the things that make one Rasta then they are not infact Rasta.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 00:08 Post subject: quote

DONT EVEN TRY TO ACT LIKE YOU dont see them, when they are always flocking together with you in your churches taliking of better ways to control & harm with wars the poor flock in jesus name.

ABOUT FIGHTING THE DRAGON!! sorry to say when someone submits to the dragon & decides to come in jesus name to suffer more the lives of others e.g. through capitalism, nationality, colonialism & slavery, at times you find him in your way in everything pushing you at times to physical confrontations I guess **YeshuaH** at his time was pushed to that extend.

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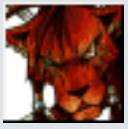
cross fiyah
Forum Veteran



Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 00:12 Post subject: quote

These people can say that they come in Jesus name....But they DO NOT!

People like this are only the tail of the serpent.

When going after the serpent...You do not go after the tail....You go after the head!!...Straight for the jugular!!

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 00:14 Post subject: quote And only Christ can show you how to go after the head....Rasta can not!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 01:01 Post subject: yah!!! BLA! BLA!! quote VICE VERSA- ''SAME THING ONLY RASTA CAN SHOW U HOW TO GET TO THE HEAD, X-RIST CANNOT'' Depending on how you believe, define & follow them. SELASIE**(H.I.M.)** I STILL KNOW TRUE WISDOM & CONFIDENCE!!
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 01:10 Post subject: quote

Warthog wrote:

DONT EVEN TRY TO ACT LIKE YOU dont see them, when they are always flocking together with you in your churches taliking of better ways to control & harm with wars the poor flock in jesus name.

You are gonna have to site up some examples. Cause the folks I know and have dealings with don't line up with this so please come with examples or just say that you are following a stereotype that some one gave you. This is not based in truth, and if you believe that Christians are about this then check the facts. Christians follow the Word of God. If not then they are something besides Christians.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 01:37 Post subject: quote

YES!! we can start trying to play the name game all day long helping to waste alot of valuable time too!!
What I'm trying to say is let us be!!! only the supreme creator will get us from our points of ignorance that we seek & grow in HIM!!yeshuah SAY MAN JUDGES FROM THE OUTSIDE APPEARANCE!! JAH JUDGES FROM THE SPIRIT- strong simple words those! When you tek your defination of rasta & collectively insist its the only way all rastas belong, rallying the flock to persecute rastas more, I guess its also the same way another will judge collectively those who call themselves christians hailing up jesus name with their homosexual acts, wars etc.....!!

SELASIE(H.I.M.) I STILL KNOW TRUE WISDOM & CONFIDENCE!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 03:01 Post subject: quote

I knew that there was no real answer to my question.

You are mistaken and have now taken the victim's defense. There is no persecutions going on here. There is how ever an attempt to share with others the Blessing of Christ. That blessing is for all including Rastas.

You said that you just wanted to be left alone, but I didn't notice anyone going to get you to bring you here. (I am glad that you are here however) So please be a little more open minded and read lots of posts and then form an opinion. You mention judging hearts, yet you judge our actions with out looking at our hearts and intentions, and that is because you could not know them, with out reading LOTS of posts. You will see the hearts of many over time, and see that seeing people gain a knowledge of the true Christ is the only point.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 03:04 Post subject: quote

Warthog

What has rasta Haile Selassie done for you?....NOTHING!!

Did Selassie die for the sins of the world?....NO!

Does Selassie even remotely match up to Christ?....NO!

Does Selassie have a comforting spirit that can lead one into righteousness?.....NO!

No my friend!...It IS NOT vice versa!

Selassie CAN NOT tell one how to overcome babylon....If he could,Then why didn't he?

Did you know that your god (Selassie) worships my God (YHVH)??

Don't worship Selassie...Instead worship the one that he worshipped!

You don't even have a clue as to what babylon is if you think man can overcome it alone.....Instead you got this reggae fairy tale version of babylon.....Babylon has been in existence long before the rastaman came along.....The rastaman did not invent the term babylon.

And the rastaman is not ancient!

Babylon is serious bizniss friend!...And you are gonna need Christ's help to overcome it!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 03:14 Post subject: quote

Ok Warthog

Suppose I said "I don't believe there is a such thing as trucks or cars"

..And if I went out and played around in the highway..What would happen?....I would get run over and die!...Why?....Because there is a such thing as trucks and cars...And they drive very fast too!

So you see...It don't matter what you believe....What matters is what IS!

Yeshua (Jesus) Messiah IS!!...And always will be!!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 04:27 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

> But I'd like to add: how did the original starter of this thread get the idea from that Rastafari is what he thinks it is?

I got the idea from Bob Marley and items I have read surrounding him and other reggae stars. I am not saying I am 100% correct, otherwise I wouldn't have posted here!

Alrighty.

Christafari Doctrines. I will have to figure out where that is. I am kind of new to the site, I haven't posted a whole lot here, so I will have to figure out where that is. I know that it was suggested before, I just haven't found it yet. Sorry about that. I will. Give me time!

Anywho,I had no idea that some Rasta's believe that Jesus is the Christ. I didn't know that. I will have to do more research on the net to find those people. All I have ever seen is the Rasta stated as a religion, that Sallassie is Christ.

In fact, in Bob Marley - Natural Mystic comp. the person who wrote it said that they figure Bob was Christ. I don't think he would think that.

I totally believe that there are a lot of seekers in Rastafari. Bob Marley is the prime one in my opinion. His lyrics are amazing, and He sought after God.

But his god was not Jesus Christ. Listen to Get up Stand up. I also read that he became a Christian before he died. Thus, he wasn't a Christian before he died!!

I will go find out the info you are telling me about.

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 04:43 Post subject: quote Oremus Go to the top of your screen...Right beside the LOZ logo...Where it says "Home..About LOZ..Store..Forum..FAQ" Click on FAQ...That is what everybody is talking about. There you will find questions and answers about Christafari and rastafari. You will see that the views expressed there are not unique to Christafari...In other words these views and expressions existed way before Christafari came on the scene. And some are waging an all out war against Mark and Christafari by saying that this is some "Christafari doctrine" that is unique to Mark and Christafari.....HOGWASH!! I don't think Mark needs to change a thing about those views expressed there...Alot of the views expressed there are views I have read about rasta a long time ago....No need to compromise to please trouble makers! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 04:47 Post subject: quote

What has your x-ristian christ done for me apart from filling me with racial x-ristian hate, myths and fantasies of a WHITE manger messiah! & promoting the persecusion of palestians & africans by christian whites & people we really dont know how to proove whether they are the TRUE jews(DEFINATELY NOT BY PAULS DEFINATION)??????

SELASIE(H.I.M.) I STILL KNOW **TRUE** WISDOM & CONFIDENCE!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 04:58 Post subject: quote

Yes I am starting to see that you are filled with some serious Christian hate. But you should understand that your problem is not with the REAL Christ of the Bible but with bad examples of Christians. Surely you are sharp enough to see the differance.

The issue with Palestinians is not Christians but Jews.

In Africa there is much blood shed by Africans that have nothing to do with Christianity but rather Islam.

I am wondering do you consider your self to be a racist?

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 05:01 Post subject: quote

Read up your Bible Warthog....Christ (NOT Selassie) warned about those type of people....And they are NOT hard to recognize at all!.....They are called Kenites...The sons of Cain...Those that claim to be of our brother Judah but are in fact of the synagogue of satan!

If it was not for Christ...Then you would have absolutely no idea who they were!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 06:16 Post subject: quote

Whoa hold it you guys.

I didn't post this to start a fight. Nor did I post it to judge or anything like that.

Warthog, what you said is what I know about Rastas. That Jesus is not the Christ - Salassie is.

cross fiyah, I did look at it, I understand a bit better now. I have to read it over more though.

One of the things I noticed that Usama bin Ladin and other Muslim extremeists seem to site is that we "the Christian west" are doing all of this things in the name of "our God". The fact is, not everyone in the west is "surpise" a Christian. Not every person in the US and Canada is a Christian. Thus to make the arguement that Christians have done this, and Christians have done that is just wrong.

That is the same argument you are making, warthog. You are stating that all Christians in the west have done these things. That all westerners are Christians, basically. That is mistaken. Not everyone is a Christian. And being a Christian is more than just saying that you believe in Jesus, and more than just words. The Christian Life - the TRUE Christian Life - is a personal relationship with God, through Jesus Christ. It is Christ in me, the hope of Glory. It is His life in me. It isn't just lip service. It is life.

That being said, just because you say that we all do these things doesn't mean we do it. The western world (North America - Canada and the US) have done aweful things around the world. This is not a Christian thing. People can do things in the name of God, but it isn't God who does it. Jesus loves all men, He is not racial, men are. Jesus meets us where we are at, so it doesn't matter if you are rich or poor, blind or lame, old or young, black or white. Jesus came and died for all men. There are no colour lines

there, except for those things that MAN puts up. Man is corrupt, warthog, so that is why those things happen. And yes, Christians are capable of those things, we are all human and we sin.

Anyways, more info on what I asked for would be great. I didn't mean for this to be a huge debate, I don't want to battle idiologies. I just want to learn. If we don't learn, we can't grow, both you warthog, and me. They say Christians have a closed mind. Well, I am open to learn. So teach me please.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 13:31 Post subject: quote

Oremus, I wouldn't worry too much about people who obviously are only posting in order to make a fight. Not about socalled Rastas who do not even know the difference between the white geezus with the pye in the sky and the Yesus Kristos Who is worshipped by Haile Selassie I. Not about socalled bible-knowers who can only bash Rastafari and other people, not hindered by any insight or knowledge. They're all pretty quick to be recognized and can be ignored.

The "Christafari Doctrine", I refer to a thread right here in this message board. It is kind oif a long thread, and especially in the beginning many things had to be overcome because some people seem to equate critisism with character-killing, but when you read on you may find some interesting information.

The thread is here:
http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?t=1653

You might also be interested in the following articles:
http://www.dubroom.org/articles/0001.htm (IRIE FM INTERVIEW THE PROPHET GAD: A much reffered to interview, originally published by Jamaican Radio Sation IRIE FM. The Interview was transcribed by Messian Dread, and published here and on the RAS ADAM WEBSITE with explicit permission.)

http://www.dubroom.org/articles/0002.htm (DUB MISSIVE INTERVIEW ARCHBISHOP YESEHAQ In this interview you will learn, from someone especially appointed by Haile Selassie to teach it, what the teachings of His Majesty are, also when it comes to his divinity as believed in by some.)

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/

Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 20:21 Post subject: quote

SORRY TO SOUND RACIAL IN MY PREVIOUS POST, BUT FROM EVERY ANGLE I'M STILL; TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY THE CHURCH GOING FLOCK OR MOST OF THEM KEEP RALLYING TO CONTINUE SUFFERING THE SURVIVAL OF THE RASTAS, WHEN I PERSONALLY READ THE SCRIPTURES, WHAT THIS FOLLOWERS DO TURNS UP TO BE CONTRARY OF YESHUAHS PERSONALL TEACHINGS!

crossfiyah Was the persons interviewing Selasie(H.I.M.) **PURE** in heart to be able to see JAH????

I guess thats why the people couldnt see JAH through yeshuah in his time????!!!!!!

''BY THE WAY I DONT WORSHIP A BIBLE BOOK BUT THE ONE SPIRIT WHO INSPIRED ITS WORKS & THE WORKS NOT WRITTEN IN THE COMMON BIBLE''

JAH BLESS U

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 20:28 Post subject: quote

You are mistaken...The person interviewing Selassie was NOT standing before God!

And plus...You'd be surprised at what the Bible does cover....You should try reading it!

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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 20:33 Post subject: quote THEN WHY DID HE HAVE TO ASK TO KNOW WHETHER HE IS GOD OR NOT BY HIS QUESTION????
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 20:39 Post subject: quote THEN THERE COMES THE ANTI-RASTA FLOCK HOLDING UP THE MANS RECIEVED ANSWER AS A TOOL TO KEEP FIGHTING THE RASTAS, WHOM NOT DECADES AGO HAVE ENDURED NUMEROUS PERSECUSIONS FROM THE CALL THEMSELVES CHRISTIANSIN SOME WAY AIDED BY THOSE WHO CLAIM TO HAVE THE RAL DEAL CHRISTIANITY!!
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 21:36 Post subject: quote As a matter of fact..The interviewer did NOT ask Selassie if he was or wasn't. Besides...Don't you know what Selassie's response was? Selassie worshipped Christ not himself!...As a matter of fact Selassie was the kind of Christian that you love to hate! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:27 Post subject: quote

yah!yah!yah

Yeshuah too was not a christian & didnt start christianity, to some he was the kind of rabii you would love to hate I guess thats why they also loved to kill HIM!! YAH!YAH SAME OLD!!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:30 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> THEN THERE COMES THE ANTI-RASTA FLOCK HOLDING UP THE MANS RECIEVED ANSWER AS A TOOL TO KEEP FIGHTING THE RASTAS, WHOM NOT DECADES AGO HAVE ENDURED NUMEROUS PERSECUSIONS FROM THE CALL THEMSELVES CHRISTIANSIN SOME WAY AIDED BY THOSE WHO CLAIM TO HAVE THE RAL DEAL CHRISTIANITY!!

I have to ask you a question, warthog.

If what you say is true, if your God is true, if you are on the path of righteousness and I am not, then why are you arguing and debating it so much?

I know what I believe. I know who my God is. I know Jesus, Yeshua, personally. I don't need to fight His battles, if He wants to answer those who have something against Him, than that is up to Him, that is His will. He is God, He can do what He wants! He doesn't need you or me!!

That being said, I am not asking for a fight. Warthog, just talk to me if you want. I am willing to learn. I am not about to attack what you believe, I am not God, I am not a judge, it is not my place to do that.

However, as long as I live I will live the according to the TRUTH. And it is Jesus, Yeshua HIMSELF who said, "I am the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE". thus I shall follow Him until my death, and I will die for Him if He requires it of me.

So I am not asking for a fight. Just what you believe. Not what is wrong with me, not what is wrong with you, but what is it that you believe, because I

know it is different from what I believe. I don't promise I will believe it with you, but I am willing to learn and understand you and what you believe better.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:41 Post subject: quote

In short I'm not trying to claim to know the ultimate truth, what I'm against is people ganging to at times even physically force others to believe their earthly fantasies embeded in their beliefs by twisting whatever they read especially in the bible to suite their agendas, some of whom I dont really trust their agenda I guess without promoting their christian theology they would be jobless, same goes to some rastas!!

BLESS!!!!!

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KiddKapps
Moderator

Joined: 12 Nov 2001
Posts: 391
Location: T DOT (CANADA)

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:53 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

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> BLESS!!!!!

Wassup Bro. I see...am I wrong in saying that what you are really upset about is people misusing "religious beliefs" to support their own personal agenda? That what you're arguing isn't that Christianity or Christians and believers in Jesus Christ have done this or promote this, but that people misuse this "label" and do it?

Just asking for clarification.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:54 Post subject: quote

hahaha the devil faces symbolise the idea of religion, of which initially was a good I-dea but man & his ever folly ways with the devil decided to worship religion more than the creator & provider for each & every man no matter how non-believing you feel they com(indian, islamic, rasta, christian.....)

BLESS!!

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 20 Jun 2004 22:57 Post subject: quote I don't know who is deleting my posts...But I got a real good idea who it is! Why don't you come out of the shadows??.....Scared?? You got things going to yo head!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 21 Jun 2004 03:10 Post subject: quote There are no shadows. We told what would be deleted, and asked you to change what you would post in the future. We have been very open about it and have been extremely patient. I am sure that you have been contacted by all of the Moderators, and have been asked to tone things down. It is not much to ask.
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 21 Jun 2004 05:18 Post subject: quote I did tone things down...I toned them down alot...And my message was still deleted! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 05:24 Post subject: quote

> **warthog wrote:**
>
> hahaha the devil faces symbolise the idea of religion, of which initially was a good I-dea but man & his ever folly ways with the devil decided to worship religion more than the creator & provider for each & every man no matter how non-believing you feel they com(indian, islamic, rasta, christian.....)
>
> BLESS!!

What are you then saying? The bible is not the absolute authority (I believe this, but Christ His Spirit is the final authority) and that people have gotten away from worshiping the one true God??

This is true, though, there is only one way to HIM. Now, I can't make you believe that and I am not aiming too, but that is the truth. You probably disagree, and I can't judge that.

At anyrate, dude, you still haven't answered MY questions man!!!!

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GodFollower
Administrator

Joined: 07 May 2002
Posts: 114

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 05:29 Post subject: quote

Ray, I deleted all your comments about the faces. There are no shadows. I have nothing to hide.

Blessings,
Devon

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 06:05 Post subject: quote

No big thing!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 06:47 Post subject: quote

This is where I learned a lot about Rasta, from the question in the FAQ about "was Bob Marley a Christian???

Question:

Was Bob Marley a Christian? I heard a rumor that he accepted Christ before he died. Is this true?

Answer:

Bob Marley is infamous for being reggae music's ambassador to the world. He was raised in the Christian church but strayed away as a youth. He dove into Rastafarianism and his career exploded as he toured around the nation preaching the beliefs of Rastafari.

It is also a well known fact in Jamaica that Bob Marley became born again 7 months before he died of cancer. Regarding this conversion, I quote two sources.

[*b]Arch Bishop Yesehaq head of the Kingston chapter of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Jamaica was initially sent to Jamaica by His Majesty to establish the church and to dispel the worship of Selassie. Selassie felt that if he personally commissioned someone to start a church that worshipped Christ and not himself, the Rastafarians would follow the true Christ.[/b]* It was these reasonings and many others that eventually brought Bob Marley to be baptized into the Ethiopian Orthodox church by Arch Bishop Yesehaq. This conversion is well documented in Jamaica and was strongly criticized by many Rastas. In Yesehaq's interview with Ian Boyne on JBC's "Profile" (Jamaica's most popular talk show), he discusses this matter in great detail, explaining Bob's conversion as one whole hour of weeping sobbing and tears of repentance. Another confirmation of this fact is the following: If it was not for his denouncing Selassie as God, his conversion and baptism into the Ethiopian Orthodox Church and acceptance of their belief system, his funeral would have never taken place in their church. For the Ethiopian Orthodox Church does not hold any ceremonies (including funerals) for non-members.

To further back up this fact is the testimony of Judy Mowatt. She was one of the famous "I-Threes," and a strong Rastafarian. Judy was initially disturbed by Bob's commitment to accept the doctrine of the Ethiopian Orthodox church and be baptized into their body. She and others were frustrated with Bob for forsaking all that he had stood for in his music and mission for so many years. However, almost twenty years later Judy Mowatt completely understands the commitment that Bob had made. For just a few years ago as documented in Reggae Report vol 14#6, Judy Mowatt became what she calls a "fulfilled Rasta," by becoming a born again Christian. She believes that Selassie was a very godly man, but was not God. This belief was backed by two recordings that she possesses that are interviews with Selassie in which he discusses the fact that Rastafarians follow him, yet he clearly denies being God/Christ. A portion of each of these recordings is featured on Christafari's "Why You Ago Look" (WordSound&Power) and the dub version of the same song (Dub Sound&Power) and has led to the conversions of many more Rasta.

Regrettably Bob was not able to leave us any post conversion recordings, but he did give us some great music and a powerful spiritual legacy with his last minute transformation. And he is probably singing a true redemption song in Heaven right now!

The section in italics explains that Sallassie himself did not want to be worshiped by Rastas, but wanted people to focus on Christ Jesus. This is where I got the info about Rasta's worshiping Sallassie.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 11:43 Post subject: quote

Definitions of Rasta as written in the Lion of Zion-FAQ area are subject of discussion. The definitions are not covering the complete movement of Rastafari, but only a part. This is also admitted. It's "just" unchanged for the last few years....

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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Author	Message
warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 21 Jun 2004 20:23 Post subject: quote **oremus** YES!! I also mean the bible is not the absolute authority, who said it is??? is it JAH???? or YESHUAH himself??? or is it my fellow earthly man of whom has forever brought this world to great hatreds???? I agree the bible contains JAH laws of how we should live, of which STILL JAH of every human no matter how non-believing we see them, is the absolute authority who dictates the turn up of world events depending on how man acts from spirit!! I warn you knowing forever man is bound to error!! be carefull of translations from original texts. I believe that little error can be a disaster if believed to the way we percieve the TRUTH. In short what I'm trying to say->> **"BE CAREFULL ABOUT IDOL WORSHIP, DONT WORSHIP A BOOK, WORSHIP THE CREATOR OF EVERY BEING(INDIAN/MUSLIM.....) NO MATTER HOW NON-BELIEVING YOU FEEL THEY COME"** About Bob marleys worship, its between him & his creator! regardless of conversions/ transformation/ diversions..... thats when you know some of we are not really followers of individuals /religions. Also be careful about second hand information the media has been the best propaganda tool used to spread anti-rasta sentiments to make rastas the clowns.. the baby-wrong media owners & their censorship boards of whom belong to the anti-rasta class share this sentiments. JAH BLESS!!!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 21:07 Post subject: quote

warthog

I doubt you will se anyone on here that worships a book.

But the book is sacred and we WILL protect it from abusers!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Jun 2004 23:32 Post subject: quote

Christ said "I am the way..The truth..And the life...No man cometh unto the Father,but by me".....John 14:6

What way?....The way to God the Father!

What truth?....The truth that IS!...The truth that will always be!

What life?....Eternal life with Father!

So that right there tells you that if you want to partake in truth...Which is eternal life with Father...Then you MUST choose the CORRECT way!...That correct way IS Christ!!...He is the ONLY way!!...Christ DID NOT say "I am just one of the many ways"....NO!!!.....He said I AM the Way!!

Christ IS the FINAL authority when it comes to eternal life with Father!!

"Well..How do I find out more about Christ?"....Read His Word!!

Christ IS the Word!!...Therefore the Word is the FINAL authority when it comes to eternal life with Father!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 02:59 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

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>
> JAH BLESS!!!!

The Word is a witness to the One it talks about and who fulfills all the laws and prophesy. Jesus Christ. He is what the book, the entire book is about. It is amazing when you read the word how He is shown in so many different ways.

So in that way I agree with you, but I bet our understanding is different!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 03:18 Post subject: quote

Warthog,

From whom do you get your authority? Who is or what is your ultimate authority? Who or what is your God?

My life is not my own. I am a servant of Jesus Christ, and I live to Him and in Him. He is my authority, He is my God.

I thank God for His word because it is an awesome way to get to know Jesus better, and it points us in the right direction if we have ears to hear and eyes to see.

The problem happens when we (ANY of us) start to look at the word and interpret it our own way, and not listen to His teachings. It is so easy to make the word say whatever we want it to say. That is how a lot of cults work, they make the word say what they want.

Thus that is why I say Christ, the Rhema, is my final authority. His Spirit indwelling in me.

But tell me your answers to my questions. I know your final authority is not mine. Who is Jah? I know Jehovah God from the bible, and I serve Him through Christ living in me. But your God is not my God, so who is Jah???

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 11:31 Post subject: quote

The ONLY way to learn about JAH is from His Word...Which is the Bible!

NO!...One can NOT learn about JAH from the roots reggae scene...I don't care how peaceful you think they come....JAH is NOT a name that is unique to roots reggae or the rastaman....The name JAH comes from the Bible...So doesn't it make perfect sense that the Bible is where one would learn about JAH?

Smorgasboard christianity is what it is!...They go through the Bible like

"I'll take some of that....And give me just a little bit of that other stuff...No No don't give me any of that stuff right there...But give me a whole lot of that stuff right there"...Just picking and choosing what they want just like an all you eat buffet....."Yeah yeah give me a whole lot of the JAH JAH stuff....But I don't want any of the Jesus Christ stuff....Give me a whole lot of that chant down babylon talk....But I will pass on the true wisdom from God that tells one how to overcome babylon dragon system".....That is just silly!!

God's Word IS NOT a buffet!...Either you take it ALL!...Or you are not taking any of it!

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 18:14 Post subject: quote

TOremus,
You wanted to know who Jah is, correct?

Psa 68:3 But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

Psa 68:4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

Psa 68:5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, [is] God in his holy habitation.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 20:45 Post subject: quote

haha "**CROSSFIYAH**" we can play the quote game all day taking verses out of context to suite your agendas or misconceptions, reminds me of a friend who only read a verse saying enjoy your youth but he didnt read the part that says but you will account for it. & about were you said you cant get divine knowledge even from roots reggae.... be carefull about running your christian religious mouth... divine knowledge can come even from the filthiest pits you see, its like searching for gold. you remember the jews waiting for a messiah to come in a kingly caesar fashion just to be suprised by a poor carpenters son.

OREMUS

my authority is from no one else but the creator of every human on earth no matter how non-believing they seem to our faulty eyes, seeking & growing only in authority from only the one who inspired those who initially wrote your bible books & I still dont worship I-dols (flesh, BIBLE book or anything made by mans hands..... I believe the bible creates an organised way of reaching up to the creator..... but i send all my crys to the supreme alpha & omega JAH!!!

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:18 Post subject: quote Taking verses out of context?...Are you nuts?....Maybe it's your intelli gence that out of context! Christ said "I AM the way"....Now let's not be ignant here!...How many ways can you take that?...Only one!....DUH!!! Dude don't get me started...You don't want to war with me I can tell you that right now!! Divine knowledge comes only from a true diety...Who IS Christ...Who IS the Word!!.....Diety = Divine! Divine knowledge does not come from a pit!...It comes from Father God! And my Christian religious mouth will CONTINUE to run as long as you choose to be ignant!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:37 Post subject: quote

'"**CROSSFIYAH**" HAHAH!
Son! or whatever gender you maybe! after all has been done you will discover what you are seeking is to be a rasta "**ancient men**", I say ancient because spiritually they take no short cuts like the ancients, its either your there **individually** or you get burned, **a relationship between you individually & your creator**, over the days christianity has infiltrated alot of filth approved by the church hiding behind twisted conceptions claiming jesus name!! as a rasta instead of ganging up as a religious group to create more strife!! you have to seek higher guidance from the supreme creator & not short cuts to give your filth a tamed pass!!
THATS WHY I STILL INSIST "ANCIENT MEN" WORSHIPING THE JAH OF ABRAHAM & MOSES!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:43 Post subject: quote

Dude you are so FAKE it is so obvious for ANYONE to see it!!

I can assure you I have no desire whatsoever to be a rastaman!

Where in the world do you get your crazy headed ideas??

You don't know me!!...And you can't see me!!

You need to quit being so careless with yourself and stand up and act like a man!!

Because you are FAKE and filled with HATE!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:44 Post subject: quote

OOHHH abouit the divine knowledge part coming from a pit.....

from observation from all the fantasies man hails up JAH has always shown up from the unexpected, they expected a caesar fashion christ; just to be suprised by a carpentors son christ!!

Yeshuah disciples expected Yeshuah to chase away the slut who washed his feet he accepted her!!!

etc.....

SELASIE(H.I.M.) I STILL KNOW TRUE WISDOM & CONFIDENCE!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:47 Post subject: quote

Still....that knowledge did NOT come from a pit!!...It came from YHVH!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:52 Post subject: quote

"CROSSFIYAH"

you dont want to be a rasta, but all the answers to what you seek to be kept in a spiritually safe place after your flesh dies lies in the supreme creator, who created the filthy rastas/ muslims..... regardless of your religious engeneered shortcuts!!

JAH BLESSS!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 21:56 Post subject: quote

"the knowledge part" in mans eyes filled with arrogance & ignorance towards JAH all JAH works seem not to come from earthly things(living or non living) they value most

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 22 Jun 2004 22:42 Post subject: quote

Yo! You two guys got to cool it man! This wasn't meant to be that kind of a thread. Now take it outside!!!

Alright, Warthog, I have another question for you.

Where does your knowlege of God then come from? You say JAH, but how do you know you are being fooled by something else? There are many spirits out there who want our attention. We live in such a dangerous world, and the spiritual realm is that much more dangerous.

You see, for me, the Bible is like a lamp. God called me one day by myself, with nobody else's knowledge, to read His word. I prayed that I knew who He was, but I want to know who Jesus is. From then He started to teach me. I know Jesus Yeshua personally now, He is my life, and my authority.

Anyways, when I asked who Jah was, I am curious. Is it the Hebrew Jah from the Old Testament, or is it another Jah??

I have another general inquirey too. Wish I could spell! The 12 tribes of Israel believe in Christ and who He is, but they also believe another is divine as well. How do they come to this conclusion if there is no basis in His word? Jesus never talked about it.

That is what I mean, Warthog. For me, the Bible is a guide that points to Jesus. But at the same time, Jesus is my final authority, because He guides me by His Holy Spirit, and when I am looking for direction, He is then my final authority.

That is also why the word is so important to me. You are right though, people have to be careful not to worship a book, even the Bible. Jesus said to the pharases that you search the scriptures because in them you think you can find life. Or something to the effect. Basically He was saying that the Bible is a guide and a great place to start, a witness to Himself, but He is the final authority because HE is the WAY the TRUTH and the LIFE.

Thanks again guys, I am enjoying learning these things. But you guys

	need to get some gloves or something and duke it out elsewhere! _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 02:00 Post subject: quote You are mistaken once again Warthog...God DOES NOT create rastas and muslims!!!....He creates people!!...Man and Woman! God creates animals too...Dogs for example....But he don't create show dogs!!....Do you see what I mean? warthog...I am not out to attack you guy....I just think you should THINK about some essential things and reevaluate where you get your information...If you honestly want to discuss God's Word...THEN LET'S DO DIS!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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ZIONSLAVE Forum Veteran Joined: 12 Nov 2003 Posts: 124	Posted: 23 Jun 2004 05:55 Post subject: quote **Quote:** The 12 tribes of Israel believe in Christ and who He is, but they also believe another is divine as well. I have never heard that before. Where did you get that information. I would be interested in any information you have on the 12 tribes of Israel.
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 13:36 Post subject: quote

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yeah, from what Messian Dread said!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 20:01 Post subject: quote

CROSSFIYAH

I say rastas & muslim just to get your common earthly mind frame which judges from outside, yes cause you posts sound like the ones who think by calling themselves X-ristians they are more special than any other human being.

OREMUS

Supported by the bible, which in a last verse in john also says the bible too isnt complete, I dont confine my source of knowledge only to a single manmade book, I read anything but ultimately I keep praying to

JAH to equipe me with the necessary knowledge of the faith needed to reach mount zion!!

BLESS!!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jun 2004 21:45 Post subject: quote

Warthog

I am not judging...I am discerning...There is a difference!

Christians are NOT perfect!...They are just forgiven!...That IS special!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 24 Jun 2004 03:09 Post subject: quote

OREMUS

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BLESS!!![/quote]

John (amplified Bible)
25And there are also many other things which Jesus did. If they should be all recorded one by one [in detail], I suppose that even the world itself could not contain (have room for) the books that would be written.

It is saying that Jesus did so much that there would be no room for all the things that He did.

You are right though, the bible doesn't contain EVERY detail of Christ's life, or anyones probably. but God put what He wanted, and He wrote what He wanted to say.

Those who have eyes to see, and ears to hear..

_____

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 24 Jun 2004 03:37 Post subject: quote I agree...I also believe this was speaking about Christ's miracles. _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 24 Jun 2004 20:08 Post subject: quote About the bible it seems everyone just chooses to force in what they believe or what they felt the god they worship felt in his command..... **"CROSSFIYAH"** I-man again! its good to see you opening up to what i felt about the so called call themselves religious x-ristians taming down JAH serious law & judgement to childs play, just because you feel forgiven-ly special doesnt mean you go around sinning; fighting poor peacefull people (blessed are the peaceful....) who dont share the way you believe in your god!
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 24 Jun 2004 21:37 Post subject: quote Wartghog Come again!...Come clear! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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selahkahfee

Joined: 24 Jun 2004
Posts: 4
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 24 Jun 2004 22:56 Post subject: quote

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peace

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Being One with God is Being One with Self.

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 00:32 Post subject: quote

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 04:03 Post subject: quote

I agree with what Mark and Christafari say about Rastas.

Some accuse of a "Christafari doctrine"...This accusation is ridiculous!!...Simply because the views expressed by Christafari about rastas is NOT unique to Christafari!

What is the definition of a Rasta?...We know this is also a question of what is the definition of legit Rasta?...Some that claim to be Rasta are not Rasta at all!...A Rasta DOES believe in Selassie as Jesus Christ!....We all know when Rasta started!...It aint that old!

The reason why they are trying to change the definition of a Rasta is so that they can try to take the history of the Rasta further back in time.....That is why they call the Rasta the ancient one....That is why they say not all rastas believe in Selassie as christ...They want you to believe that our Biblical forefathers were Rasta.....NOT SO!!!

They were awaiting Yeshua (Jesus) Messiah ever since the Garden of Eden!!

Look at the very FIRST prophecy given in the Bible.....Genesis 3:15....This CLEARLY foretells of Christ.

Our Biblical forefathers were CHRISTANS!!.....NOT Rasta!!

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 05:45 Post subject: quote

There are those on this forum(and others) that just need fodder for there ingnorance fires. There dosnt need to be a reason, as long as there is a sunrise some people just want to spit meaningless & unfounded discord.

A little rule of thumb that I learned from a friend.....

"DONT FEED THE TROLLS!!!!!!!!"

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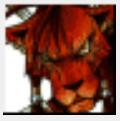
cross fiyah
Forum Veteran



Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 06:49 Post subject: quote

See there...That shows their ignorance!!...They still believe in trolls!!....HaHaHaHaHaHaHaHaHaHaHaha!!!!

Zionslave-You know what I speak is correct!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 06:59 Post subject: quote

Yeah dude...I'm just a little green dude with warts all over me....I got thick hair growing on my feet....And I live under a bridge.

Hey man....Look up on the ceiling!....It says gulliable!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 21:05 Post subject: quote

hahahahha "CROSSFIYAH"

Again our older main forefathers namely moses, abraham, Jesus were not christians, maybe paul & his disciples or maybe not maybe the just ended up being scapegoats to this earthly religious based confusion, the evidence people come up is still the same quote game you are still playing of taking verses & interpreting them how you want to believe..e.g. genesis 3:15

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BLESS YOU!!!

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 108

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 21:08 Post subject: quote

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 21:08 Post subject: | quote

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MAY SELSIE(**H.I.M.)**'s LOVE SHINE IN YOU!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 21:12 Post subject: | quote

CROSSFIYAH

HAHAHA maybe I may be christian if someone else defines it how I worship **JAH!**

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 21:16 Post subject: | quote

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There comes a point when no matter what you believe, it is best not to

speak, best not to argue, but just let things be.

There is no way to win.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 26 Jun 2004 04:21 Post subject: quote

warthog

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 23

Posted: 25 Jun 2004 20:08 Post subject:

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Maybe you should pass that along to Luciano and Morgan Heritage. You know if they may be accidently praising Jesus instead of Iyesus. Or even worse Geezus.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 26 Jun 2004 05:03 Post subject: quote

yes **blaminack**!! thats why knowing you stand to be judged alone/ individually by the creator, its very crucial to be carefull of whatever force your fellow earthly man(CHRISTIAN/JEW/RASTA.....) come with, no matter how big or small they seem!!!

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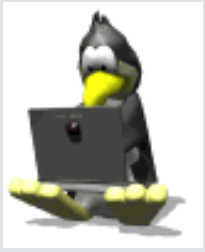
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 12:48 Post subject: quote

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If this "guy" you talk about is in fact Haile Selassie I suggest that you start looking for some real information instead of talking with people who are only confirming your own prejudices.

http://www.dubroom.org/articles/0001.htm

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One Love,

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 13:42 Post subject: quote

Jetze you could have easily gave the correct info to this guy who has admited not knowing much about the topic instead of slanderizing folks. Just because a person has his mind made up does not mean that it in error. Yes it does seem that he is talking about Selassie, and if you are not EXTREMLY well versed in 12 Tribes ideas you would definatly get the idea that they think Selassie is divine. Just go over the words of their most used greeting. One could be left with the impression that they think Selassie is the returned Christ to them...Christ in His Kingly Charactor? That has always seemed so very odd to me due to the fact of Selassie's admitted humanity and mistakes.

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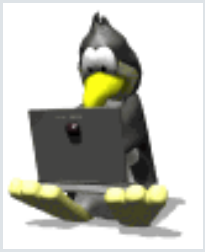

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 14:13 Post subject: quote

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 18:35 Post subject: quote

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LOL. Geez. Yeah, that is exactly what I am doing. I am just trying to make sure I got all my stereotypes in the right order!!!

Geez. I didn't say I didn't read up on Selassie. In fact, I have. The thing is, there is the history I have read about in history books, but then there is also the "religious figure".

I don't know what you want me to say, I just asked a question. Haile Selassie did a lot for the people of Ethiopia. He helped to modernize the country and he brought it into the League of Nations. He did a lot of good things for Ethiopia, but he died under circumstances that are questionable.

Many Rastas claim him to be the annoited one, Christ. I am not saying ALL do, and hey, you MD are welcome to talk to me about this stuff since somehow I am being stereotypical, why don't you answer my questions?

The quote I used about the 12 tribes was from an interview I read. If it is wrong, tell me. Don't tell someone else I am being stereotypical. I am right here, I want to know this stuff, that is why I asked!

So if you can be so kind and teach me so that I am not stereotypical, so that I am not seeing one side. You are more then welcome to answer, and so are anyone else.

I am not a dread, I don't know very much at all about Rasta Fari. And, I never even heard of the 12 tribes of Israel until I saw it quoted on the website.

I am sorry if I offended you, MD, but I wasn't trying to be the way you are accusing me.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 18:51 Post subject: quote

So Jetze what you seem to mean is that anyone that doesn't hold the Messian Dread point of view is holding stereotypes and are spreading nonsense. The problem is that there are differant ways of looking at things. Exactly what stereotype is being portrayed that is not ROOTED in truth? See if you can show the factual parts of this to be wrong then there is some thing to talk about. If not we are both left with stereotypes and you also have yours my friend.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Jun 2004 21:36 Post subject: quote

The stereotype is what you can read in this thread. Just look at the main contributors and see where they talk about and then tell me that I have to be an expert or something like that in order to do something different then what is portrayed in this thread. Oh, wait, you allready did that.

The same cliche's, a lot of words about nothing, no matter if you draw in some facts, the point is that it seems like there has to be drawn an inovercomable line between what is seen as Rasta and what is seen as Christian.

If the leader of the biggest Rastafarian Organization clealr says that he

believes the same about Selassie being JAH as what most of us do, then who is anyone in this thread to state otherwise? That is what offends me.

The original poster of this thread admittidly has the bulk of his info concerning Rastafari from the Christafari FAQ. A FAQ, of which it is admitted right here in this forum, that it doesn't cover the reality. So much for "following messian dread thing", you yourself Blaminackl have admitted thhe wrongeness of the Christafari FAQ's.

And until these FAQ's are updated with a more appropriate description of this-and-that, you will keep on having people disinformed, a make them have a mind set against Rasta as if Rastafari means Idolatry.

How's that?

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Posts: 1927
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Posted: 27 Jun 2004 23:00 Post subject: quote

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We are people who observe what is said and written. I don't gather my views from Christians on Rastafarians. I gather my views from Rastas. If you are to comment in general terms you must include all of the folks that claim to be Rasta. Of course there are MANY varied views held.
Ok let us be on the totally fair side of this... why don't you write the description that you think fits best and let us discuss that from a Biblical perspective disecting and reasoning over the points that way we can put this to rest. Then we should be able to see what areas of common ground there are. You see it all looking for places that Rasta and Christians are similar. I see differances that are also important. Let's talk about both. Sway us, if you have validation to back up what you have to say. This is your opportunity to help us correct the problem that you think we have. Start a new thread in response. Don't just point out where you think we are in error, you give the correct thinking from your angle.

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 28 Jun 2004 02:15 Post subject: quote I know you don't gather your info on Rastafari from the Christafari FAQ. And it's difficult to write a "definition of Rastafari" in a few lines. But in order to get to the point in which it is so that a good definition is written, many things and principals have to be taken into consideration and perhaps it would be a good thing to discuss these points. Is a definition of Rastafari neccesary and if so why is it neccesary? Yes, there are many different "ways" within Rastafari and no not all should be included. It is clear that there are many people who claim to be Rasta but they are far from it. So it's also about recognizing, or as some say: "who feels it knows it". I hope you will agree with me, that a Rasta is a conscious (wo)man, aware of babylon, aware of Ethiopia and overstanding the meaning of having a descendant of King David on the only throne in Africa which has never been colonized. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 03:21 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

I think that you are making some of my point. I am serious about that challenge. I know it is a huge task and I see it as a great opportunity for some of the best reasonings that we have had on this site.

Let's just say that your condensed version of what a Rasta is here would include most of the serious members of this site, including my self. There is much more.

I think that defining Rasta is important for this site. It may not be for yours because a much higher percentage is well informed on whole scope of the matter. Much of the traffic here is not as likely to understand that. You have said that a large part of the fan base of Christafari has the music here as their only info on Rasta and that may be true so, help form a better definition that will help define the purpose of this ministry to the outsider.

I think that the biggest issue is that there is lack of solid doctrine in Rasta along with a huge wide range of things that claim it. This makes it extremely hard to define concisely. You will always have some that say, "I am rasta and that doesn't describe me at all."

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 04:21 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> As for me, I have presently chosen not to use the name (*JAH*) in our future recordings, and will only use it when personally witnessing to a rasta. For when I started Christafari and Lion of Zion ent., my primary goal was to see the rasta church become Christian, yet one of the regrettable fruits of my labor, (due to uneducated imitation by other artists) is the Christian church becoming more rasta. This was never my intention. It was not my desire to have a Christian congregation in Trinidad shouting out the name "JAH!" in their church services.

Here is a statement from the Christafari FAQ. This shows a jaded view of Rastafari. This shows the opinion of at least some of the Christafari leadership that actually look at Rastafari as a negative thing.

Worse than that is this idea that shouting Jah in church is wrong just

because Rastas say it. This is disgraceful and Scripturaly wrong.

What this does is it automatically puts those who read this forum in a mindset that the overall view of the "administration" here (for lack of a better word) is against the Rastafari movement.

Then it even goes to the next level to say that the Primary goal initially for Christafari was to sway Rastas into Christianity. This is what I want to talk about. You see I think that the idea of showing others to Christ is good. The negative undertones are the ones that say that showing others to Christ involves them renouncing the Rasta part.

Soooooooooo, If Mr. MD says "OK. I will attempt to define Rastafari" he will be actually starting off with a jaded audience.

I think it is important that there be some clarity first on the part of Christafari. Then you will see fruits of agreement (or disagreement). The problem is that there are those who see that the FAQ's may not be the current views of Christafari and mabey they are to afraid to say what they really feel! .....????

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 12:38 Post subject: quote

Zionslave,

I am not sure if you have studied Rasta much, it seems like you have seen some, but the point of this all is to bring Christ to those that do not know Him. So if there is one that believes that Selassie is Christ, he does not in fact know the Christ of the Bible, and this according to Selassie. So you do, that man no favours with this, nothing wrong with the Rasta faith thing you have going on. If it does not introduce him to the Christ of the Bible then there is SOMETHING VERY WRONG with his Rasta faith. If a person's Rasta walk has led him to where it should to the same Christ that Selassie believed and worshiped then fine, those are not the ones that we seek.

The truth of the matter is that there are MANY people who claim Rasta have nothing to do with the God that Ras Tarfari worshiped. Do you allow them to go on like this? Is that love? If you believe in Christ then you must share the truth. Is there something inherantly wrong with Rasta? If a person does not come to salvation (born again) in the Biblical sense through it then yes, there is something wrong with it. Yet there

are some that have. But what of the others? Does the idea that some are going to Hell based on the fact that they reject Christ offend you as much as the idea that there could be something wrong with some folks' Rasta faith? That is what it boils down to. Some have don't know the truth. Will you share the truth with them? If you place the idea of not offending them because you don't want that man to feel uncomfortable about his Rasta faith above the true message of the Gospel, then where is the love and compassion? Do you think that just because they believe in something they are ok? Not so! Even the devils believe something! It must be the true Christ of the Bible.

Have you looked in to the teachings of the Bobos? Do you feel they have the right thing going as far as the Bible teaches? What about those that believe that Charles Edwards is the Black Christ? What about those that have adopted some New Age/Hindu doctrines to mix into the recipe? What about those that are believing in Reincarnation? What about those that believe that Ganja IS a sacrement? If these things are not true there is something wrong. So please give me your view on these issues Zionslave. There is much differance between believing in God and allowing him to be Lord of your life and allowing truth to reign in your heart.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 17:27 Post subject: quote

If you'll allow me, I'd like to comment on some things.

> **Quote:**
> So if there is one that believes that Selassie is Christ, he does not in fact know the Christ of the Bible, and this according to Selassie.

Not quite like that. Selassie denied being Christ. According to what you wrote, Selassie could very well have said that he was Christ (but then had to be a different one for obvious reasons).

So I would say it is possible that one believes Selassie to be the Real Messiah, only he would be wrong in his perception for yet another obvious set of reasons.

> **Quote:**
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Although in different words I would agree with that. I would add to that the number of Rastafarians who have told me that they consider anyone who believes Selassie to be (any for of) Incarnation of JAH as non-Rasta. So it's kind of a real "you're not a Rasta because you do not believe like me" thing going on between the various houses of Rastafari.

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Well, this is where we could find each other in disagreement. I would argue, that when people do not want to have anything to do with the GOD of RASTAFARI (that Is: The God Of The Bible, JAH) they are not Rasta. Which "JAH" are they talk about?

I think, by how you said it, you acknowledge some as Rasta who are in fact not Rasta. And this is a thing I see in Christafari too. Because even the wannabees are supported and acknowledged as Rasta.

> **Quote:**
>
> Is there something inherantly wrong with Rasta? If a person does not come to salvation (born again) in the Biblical sense through it then yes, there is something wrong with it.

What would you say about the "Christianity" that has the same effect? Like people going to church all life without actually bering born again?

You see, the peoblem is not that people who are not born again are reached with the message of salvation. Whether they are Rasta, Christian, whatever. The problem rises at the moment the "Rastafarianity" is being connected to the "status" of not being born again.

Like telling people that because they drive a car they can't go to heaven. There is nothing that justifies the connection, and still it is being made. Perhaps not deliberatly, but it is an integral part of it.

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blaminack
Moderator

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Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 18:40 Post subject: quote

I am very careful to try to make distinctions between the Rastas who are part of a Cultural Movement and that are of a Religious movement. Those that believe in the Christ of the Bible and are part of a differant thing altogether then the man who is part of a Religious movement that denies the Christ of the Bible.

Here is my own personal view of things. If a person is of the Religious teachings of some Rastas that teach that Selassie is God, then they fall into the same category that I place Mormons, Jehovahs Witnesses, etc. Though they sound similar to the Bible's teachings there are serious distortions that make certain statement incompatable. For example, some Mormons teach that Lucifer is Jesus' Brother. Now that is totally incompatable with the Bible. Now some Rastas teach Selassie is the Living God, or some other variation of that theme. That is also incompatable with the teachings of the Bible.

So what shall we do? Do we say to the Morman, "hey, you sound so close to the truth we'll just over look that the things that you teach are totally erroneous."? Is that what you suggest we do in relationship to Rastas who hold that Selassie is God?

So, in conclusion it may be best to give a referance to a particular Rasta and their lyrics, writings, website etc when refering to something, that is talked about here.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 20:47 Post subject: quote

OREMUS

Just because you dont see or overstand something the way others do , doesnt mean they are blasphemous only JAH can clearly see that heart!!

BLAMINACK

You if TRUE believer should know better, knowing JAH travels in mysterious ways, instead of judging the bobos & fighting them just take it to JAH, again I state instead of being surprised again by a carpenters on & not a caesar fashion kind

PEACE

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 28 Jun 2004 23:34 Post subject: quote

There is none fighting them down, and I have judged no Bobo on a personal basis. But I have judged the Relious system to be in contridiction to the Scripture.

Fighting down makes no sense in this context, but rather lifting people UP.

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Author	Message
†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 29 Jun 2004 01:02 Post subject: quote Warthog, It is blasphemous to claim that anyone other then Yeshua, Jesus of Nazereth, Emmanuel, is God. I make no apologies about that. However, you are right I have to be careful to judge, though I wasn't doing that in my heart. To say that Sallesse was Jesus Christ wrong because he himself said that he wasn't, he was a Christian. _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 29 Jun 2004 20:03 Post subject: quote **OREMUS** So on the cross when Yesus kristos said father why have you forsaken me he was talking to himself??????
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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 29 Jun 2004 20:39 Post subject: quote

"GANJA" AS A SACRAMENT'

"NEW WINE"
One thing I would like to tell some of you x-ristians:-
"mek sure you dont drink too much wine then expect to drive home safely"

YES! "having in mind any insence or sacrament given unto satan is satans, to JAH is for JAH"

From what we have eye witnessed so far in this time of spiritual revelation, also as witnesses of defiled churches like during YESUS KRISTOS time with stiff necked pharisees & scribes, we as rasta see the need for change. YES! instead of applausing & carrying on old filth in practice a sure display of mental paralysis ; ganja became our new healing(a healing from pagan-wise hypocritically cultured sacraments of which a specific group has burnt out other peoples & their cultures, YES! you dont even have to look far look at the church sculpture decorations dont they remind you of old pagan rome?? ??!!), YES! a new sacrament knowing the vast concious majority dont support the use of fornication alcohol wine as a sacrament, taken in a vampire fashion.
Ganja is used so as to forget sabstitute the bitter painfull memories that go with the previous x-ristian sacrament. YES! we refuse to take the filthy man-made alcohol & choose to take the JAH-made ganja/ plant/ herb/ or whatever you choose to call it.....
Some say its like the Israelites in their days crossing the red sea, having to take the bitter herbs in rememberance of their days of great sorrows, this time for slavery & colonialism.
YES!! despite the fights we get from the rich & followers of their religions, YES! still struggling to bring up endured love & humbleness from the ancients.

BY THE WAY:-> "Some of you x-ristians, I just dont want to even hear what you did when you were rusters/ dumbsters or maybe wannabe in the necessary struggle....."

" also if you ask each christian about what x-ristianity is they seem

to come up with different opinions on what they belief"

"JAH BLESS"
"YESHUAH I STILL KNOW **TRUE** MANIFESTED LOVE & CONFIDENCE"
''MAY SELASIE(H.I.M.)'s LOVE SHINE IN YOU"

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 29 Jun 2004 21:13 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> **OREMUS**
>
> So on the cross when Yesus kristos said father why have you forsaken me he was talking to himself??????

He was talking to His Father. He choose to put on our sin, to die the death the we deserve, to take the full wrath of God upon Himself.

Thus, He laid down His glory in order to allow those things take place. When He was crucified He took all of the sin this world has and will produce on Himself.

So when He said My God My God why have You forsaken me? He is talking to His Father. He has never been separated from HIs Father, yet They allowed it to happen in order to concour death.

I don't deny it is complex. Jesus said I AM. Yet He still allowed Himself to put down the glory that is rightfully His for our sakes, to die in our stead, to take the full brunt of the Father's punishment.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 29 Jun 2004 22:16 Post subject: quote

OREMUS

YES!! because its coplex this is doesnt mean the so called christians know the ultimate TRUTH giving them permission to go fight others, making their lives more argonising than they already are, justto submit to their beliefs!!!
ONLY JAH KNOWETH THE ULTIMATE TRUTH!!

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 29 Jun 2004 23:16 Post subject: quote

TO ALL X-RISTIANS

Instead of fighting others in the name of converting them why dont you get to know the supreme alpha & omega better & he will humbly show you the TRUTH, all I see is a bunch of jesus name ramblings with misguided fire carrying alot of ignorance & arrogance, SOME OF THIS SPIRITUAL THINGS TAKE TIME TO GROW IN YOU

JAH BLESS U!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 29 Jun 2004 23:58 Post subject: quote

Warthog, remember it is you who came to this site, so that means you are the one fighting folks down.... The VERY THING that you are accusing us of doing to you is what YOU ARE doing to us. Look for truth instead of a preconcieved notion.

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 02:04 Post subject: quote

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How am I fighting you, and making your life more agonising?

I can't and won't force anyone to believe what I believe. But I cannot deny the truth. And Jesus is the Truth. So if by me saying that I am fighting you and making your life more agonising, well, I stand by the truth.

God gave us free will. He gave us free will so we won't all be a bunch of robots who worship Him because we have to. He gave us free will because He wants us to want to serve Him.

Thus, everyone has to make their own choices, everyone has to decide between them and God what they believe.

I can't "make" anyone believe what I want them to, who am I? I am only a servant, that is it. So for you to accuse me of in anyway forcing my beliefs on anyone, is wrong.

I just stand by the truth. I won't back down from the truth. But I respect the beliefs of others. Otherwise, why would I want to learn? And that is all this post was about, just to learn.

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 30 Jun 2004 02:08 Post subject: quote When Christ hung on the cross...When he said "My God why have you forsaken me?" Jesus was NOT talking to God at that time...Jesus was NOT asking God a question. So then who was Jesus talking to?....US!!..That's who! Jesus was quoting scripture....YES as Jesus hung on the cross dying suffering all that pain...He was still teaching God's Word! Jesus was quoting from Psalm 22...Basicly Jesus was saying to us:.."Go to Psalm 22..There is a message there for you!" God did NOT forsake Jesus on the cross!!!!!.....How do I know this?.....Because when you have seen the son(Jesus) you have seen the Father(YHVH)....So then how in the world could God have forsaken Christ?....HE DIDN'T!! Warthog-We are not supposed to drink a big heaping glass of wine at communion...Just a small amount will do. Your comment about drinking too much wine was uncalled for!!...There are recovering alcoholics that you just took a cheap shot at!...And it was pretty lame too! _____

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Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 02:10 Post subject: quote

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> JAH BLESS U!!

And here you are doing the very thing you accused me of doing! You are judging me based on things that you don't know. You don't even know me, yet you say I don't know God and because I speak of Jesus, somehow I am not following the truth. When, again, Jesus said I am the WAY the TRUTH and the LIFE. NO ONE comes to the Father but by Me (Jesus)

That being said, what ignorance? I haven't stated anything to personally attack you. I don't claim to know everything, and you claim to know a lot about Christ when it seems that you don't know the first thing because if you knew Christ you would know truth.

The reason why I asked these questions and why I keep asking questions is because I desire to learn and to grow. As you said, spiritual things take time to grow. I don't know everything, and, I was asking questions so that I may learn and grow and understand things better.

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No weapon

Joined: 28 Jun 2004
Posts: 12
Location: Nassau

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 14:46 Post subject: quote

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One guy roun by me is a rasta and he always tryin to get me in da camp but we had a convo one day, found out that they believe the old testament just like we so....
in the old testament, prophecies of The Christ was set out concerning the circumstances of his birth,

for one, he was to be born in Bethlehem, Haile was not
for two, he was to be born in a manger right? but Haile was not
and a host of others,

so all I'm thinking is that if Haile's life does not fit dose requirements set out in the Bible, which both of us believe, how come its so much strife and debate?
all I want know is Jesus is Christ, His life lined up with the scriptures.
outtie

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Amma sing da praises of Him who died. Jah is always by my side. Righteous living is wha me attain to. Gatta trust da king, wha bout u

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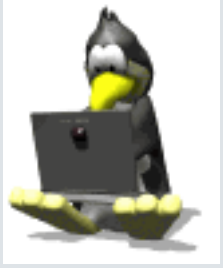
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 15:12 Post subject: quote

Just see where these FAQ definitions reach to.....

Let me tell you my perception of this. A perception of which I know other have it too. Only they do not want to even be here....

How does it feel, to constantly sum up argumentation that Haile Selassie is not Yesus Kristos? Is it realized, that it only furthers the idea that Rastafari stands for believing that Haile Selassie is Yesus?

When I read this endless debate, I realize more and more how useless it is. It's useless to do it here, where most people allready

have their mind set against Rastafari and the sport seems to be who can break down Rastafari stronger then the other one.

People standing in line to make another point against believing Selassie to be Jah....

Trying to show off their christianese/politically correct stance to each other. No use whatsoever. No real conversation either. Just

This is exactly in line with how Christafari is allready perceived by the very people it is said to be the "target audience", the Real Rasta's. And that is an objectively established fact.

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Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:42 Post subject: quote

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> outtie

Hey those were great points, thanks.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> am very careful to try to make distinctions between the Rastas who are part of a Cultural Movement and that are of a Religious movement.

blaminack, i think what is coming about in this time that the definition of the religious RasTa movement is changing, where there are people who see the Messiah in truth yet are still RasTa in a spiritual and cultural sense.

warthog, Iesous speaking to himself?. Jah is one yet Jah is three; Jah Father, Jah Son, and Jah Spirit. Iesous was speaking to the Father because He was taking upon Himself all the sin of the world and the Father could not be in contact with that sin. so He had to seperate Himself from the Son for that time. We see in the N.T. that Iesous is the high priest as the mediator between I and the Father so again the Son is speaking or communicatinf with the Father. I guess in some sense he was talking to himself because He is Jah and the Father is also Jah but Iesous was speaking to the first person of the Trinity; the Father.

Iesous was not talking to us on the cross, that doesnt make sense. and parts of Psalm 22 are prophetic like also are verses 16-18 of that same chapter. those things didnt happen to david.

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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

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I am anything but politically correct!! That is your opinion I guess!

I don't know what you mean about Christafari. Yeah, I guess you are right in that they are reaching Rastas with the message of Christ. Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. What is wrong with that?

If you don't agree with Christafari, or if you have a problem me for what I believe, then why would you stay? It would only agitate you more right?

I don't know what the answer is that you are seeking, and I hope

that when you have time you will answer my questions.

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Posted: 30 Jun 2004 19:03 Post subject: quote

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Oh you are not the one who said that he got most his info from the website here?

Quote:

> What is your view on it,what do you believe I mean? Who is Selassie, to you, if not what I have stated above?

A little searching on my website will answer your questions. Why you ask? What makes you think I am a Rasta?

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That it's not like how you describe it.

Quote:

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Well, when everyone agrees there is not so much a need for a forum is there....
But if you mean that you expect only people who agree with christafari to post here and you are suprised that there is actually some talks going on in which strong disagreements are discussed,

I would find that very shocking.

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 30 Jun 2004 02:08 Post subject: quote When Christ hung on the cross...When he said "My God why have you forsaken me?" Jesus was NOT talking to God at that time...Jesus was NOT asking God a question. So then who was Jesus talking to?....US!!..That's who! Jesus was quoting scripture....YES as Jesus hung on the cross dying suffering all that pain...He was still teaching God's Word! Jesus was quoting from Psalm 22...Basicly Jesus was saying to us:.."Go to Psalm 22..There is a message there for you!" God did NOT forsake Jesus on the cross!!!!!.....How do I know this?.....Because when you have seen the son(Jesus) you have seen the Father(YHVH)....So then how in the world could God have forsaken Christ?....HE DIDN'T!! Warthog-We are not supposed to drink a big heaping glass of wine at communion...Just a small amount will do. Your comment about drinking too much wine was uncalled for!!...There are recovering alcoholics that you just took a cheap shot at!...And it was pretty lame too! _____

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 02:10 Post subject: quote

warthog wrote:

> **TO ALL X-RISTIANS**
>
> Instead of fighting others in the name of converting them why dont you get to know the supreme alpha & omega better & he will humbly show you the TRUTH, all I see is a bunch of jesus name ramblings with misguided fire carrying alot of ignorance & arrogance, SOME OF THIS SPIRITUAL THINGS TAKE TIME TO GROW IN YOU
>
> JAH BLESS U!!

And here you are doing the very thing you accused me of doing! You are judging me based on things that you don't know. You don't even know me, yet you say I don't know God and because I speak of Jesus, somehow I am not following the truth. When, again, Jesus said I am the WAY the TRUTH and the LIFE. NO ONE comes to the Father but by Me (Jesus)

That being said, what ignorance? I haven't stated anything to personally attack you. I don't claim to know everything, and you claim to know a lot about Christ when it seems that you don't know the first thing because if you knew Christ you would know truth.

The reason why I asked these questions and why I keep asking questions is because I desire to learn and to grow. As you said, spiritual things take time to grow. I don't know everything, and, I was asking questions so that I may learn and grow and understand things better.

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No weapon

Joined: 28 Jun 2004
Posts: 12
Location: Nassau

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 14:46 Post subject: quote

On da point of Rastafarianism, I gat to say
One guy roun by me is a rasta and he always tryin to get me in da camp but we had a convo one day, found out that they believe the old testament just like we so....
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for one, he was to be born in Bethlehem, Haile was not
for two, he was to be born in a manger right? but Haile was not
and a host of others,

so all I'm thinking is that if Haile's life does not fit dose requirements set out in the Bible, which both of us believe, how come its so much strife and debate?
all I want know is Jesus is Christ, His life lined up with the scriptures.
outtie

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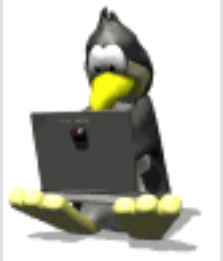
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 15:12 Post subject: quote

Just see where these FAQ definitions reach to.....

Let me tell you my perception of this. A perception of which I know other have it too. Only they do not want to even be here....

How does it feel, to constantly sum up argumentation that Haile Selassie is not Yesus Kristos? Is it realized, that it only furthers the idea that Rastafari stands for believing that Haile Selassie is Yesus?

When I read this endless debate, I realize more and more how useless it is. It's useless to do it here, where most people allready

have their mind set against Rastafari and the sport seems to be who can break down Rastafari stronger then the other one.

People standing in line to make another point against believing Selassie to be Jah....

Trying to show off their christianese/politically correct stance to each other. No use whatsoever. No real conversation either. Just

This is exactly in line with how Christafari is allready perceived by the very people it is said to be the "target audience", the Real Rasta's. And that is an objectively established fact.

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:42 Post subject: quote

No weapon wrote:

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Hey those were great points, thanks.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> am very careful to try to make distinctions between the Rastas who are part of a Cultural Movement and that are of a Religious movement.

blaminack, i think what is coming about in this time that the definition of the religious RasTa movement is changing, where there are people who see the Messiah in truth yet are still RasTa in a spiritual and cultural sense.

warthog, Iesous speaking to himself?. Jah is one yet Jah is three; Jah Father, Jah Son, and Jah Spirit. Iesous was speaking to the Father because He was taking upon Himself all the sin of the world and the Father could not be in contact with that sin. so He had to seperate Himself from the Son for that time. We see in the N.T. that Iesous is the high priest as the mediator between I and the Father so again the Son is speaking or communicatinf with the Father. I guess in some sense he was talking to himself because He is Jah and the Father is also Jah but Iesous was speaking to the first person of the Trinity; the Father.

Iesous was not talking to us on the cross, that doesnt make sense. and parts of Psalm 22 are prophetic like also are verses 16-18 of that same chapter. those things didnt happen to david.

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

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Everywhere I have looked, Selassie is very prominant and considered to be the Christ by most (not all) rastas. That is where I get that info from. What is your view on it,what do you believe I mean? Who is Selassie, to you, if not what I have stated above?

I am anything but politically correct!! That is your opinion I guess!

I don't know what you mean about Christafari. Yeah, I guess you are right in that they are reaching Rastas with the message of Christ. Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. What is wrong with that?

If you don't agree with Christafari, or if you have a problem me for what I believe, then why would you stay? It would only agitate you more right?

I don't know what the answer is that you are seeking, and I hope

that when you have time you will answer my questions.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Jun 2004 19:03 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Everywhere I have looked, Selassie is very prominant and considered to be the Christ by most (not all) rastas. That is where I get that info from.

Oh you are not the one who said that he got most his info from the website here?

Quote:

> What is your view on it,what do you believe I mean? Who is Selassie, to you, if not what I have stated above?

A little searching on my website will answer your questions. Why you ask? What makes you think I am a Rasta?

Quote:

> I don't know what you mean about Christafari. Yeah, I guess you are right in that they are reaching Rastas with the message of Christ. Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. What is wrong with that?

That it's not like how you describe it.

Quote:

> If you don't agree with Christafari, or if you have a problem me for what I believe, then why would you stay? It would only agitate you more right?

Well, when everyone agrees there is not so much a need for a forum is there....
But if you mean that you expect only people who agree with christafari to post here and you are suprised that there is actually some talks going on in which strong disagreements are discussed,

I would find that very shocking.

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†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 01 Jul 2004 20:53 Post subject: quote One other thing I have been wondering: Why does there have to be this big confrontation? All I have been looking for is information, and this thread has become an us verses them kind of thing. I honestly just want to know the truth, and if a group like the 12 tribes truly do worship Yeshua, Jesus Christ, The Way the Truth, The Life, IAM, I have to consider them. At anyrate, I am sorry this thing has become a mudslinging fest. That was TOTALLY my intention! _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 01 Jul 2004 21:09 Post subject: quote hypocrisy= hypo'crazy' i never heard that but i like it, i am going to use that
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No weapon Joined: 28 Jun 2004 Posts: 12 Location: Nassau	Posted: 01 Jul 2004 21:29 Post subject: quote if i have offended anybody, i apologize but I still stick to what I said have a good night _____ Amma sing da praises of Him who died. Jah is always by my side. Righteous living is wha me attain to. Gatta trust da king, wha bout u
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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 01 Jul 2004 23:50 Post subject: quote

> **No weapon wrote:**
> if i have offended anybody, i apologize but I still stick to what I said have a good night

You didn't offend me! I appreciate what you have to say!

Good night!

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No weapon

Joined: 28 Jun 2004
Posts: 12
Location: Nassau

Posted: 03 Jul 2004 20:04 Post subject: quote

Yes I

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Amma sing da praises of Him who died. Jah is always by my side. Righteous living is wha me attain to. Gatta trust da king, wha bout u

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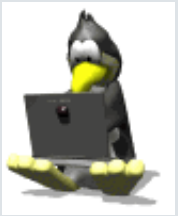
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 06 Jul 2004 02:04 Post subject: quote

> **†Oremus wrote:**
> One other thing I have been wondering:
>
> Why does there have to be this big confrontation? All I have been looking for is information, and this thread has become an us verses them kind of thing.

suprised about that? It's easy when you look back to see how that comes.

> **Quote:**
> I honestly just want to know the truth, and if a group like the 12 tribes truly do worship Yeshua, Jesus Christ, The Way the Truth, The Life, IAM, I have to consider them.

I gave you a link to an interview with Gadman, this is an authorized transcription of a radio interview in which I think there is enough to read in order for you to make up your mind concerning certain things. Instead of argueing with the arguers you could have tried tyo get some info.
http://www.dubroom.org/articles/0001.htm
http://dubroom.org/download/pdf/articles_and_interviews/irie_fm_interview_prophet_gad_1997.pdf

> **Quote:**
> At anyrate, I am sorry this thing has become a mudslinging fest. That was TOTALLY my intention!

No, but it happens because for some reason you don't see how there can be a Rasta who professes

Kristos and I blame the Christafari FAQ for that.

[/quote]

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Selassie seh

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Author	Message
12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 51 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 14 Oct 2004 07:11 Post subject: Selassie seh quote

Spiritual Kinsmen

"Knowing that material and spiritual progress are essential to man, we must ceaselessly work for the equal attainment of both. Only then shall we be able to acquire that absolute inner-calm, so necessary to our well-being. Whenever conflict arises between material and spiritual values, the conscience plays an important role and anyone who suffers from a guilty conscience is never really free from this problem until he makes peace with himself and his conscience. Discipline of the mind is a basic ingredient of genuine morality and therefore of spiritual strength. Spiritual power is the eternal guide, in this life and the life after, for man ranks supreme among all creatures. Led forward by spiritual power, man can reach the summit destined for him by the Great Creator. Since nobody can interfere in the realm of God we should tolerate and live side by side with those of other faiths. In the mystic traditions of the different religions we have a remarkable unity of spirit. Whatever religion they may profess, they are spiritual kinsmen. While the different religions in their historic forms bind us to limited groups and militate against the development of loyalty to the world community, the mystics have already stood for the fellowship of humanity...in harmony with the spirit of the mystics of ages gone by. No one should question the faith of others, for no human being can judge the ways of God."

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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JahWarrior

Joined: 08 Oct 2004
Posts: 19
Location: Germany

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 13:30 Post subject: quote

Thanks 12TribesLion!

Am trying to tell this the people in germany...don't have to share others' opinions or belief...but have to treat them with respect! RESPECT man!

Thanks! True words!

As I said before, Christians, RasTas.....we are not that different at all!

Selah!

JW

_____
LISTEN 2 UR HEART + USE UR BRAIN!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 448
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 14 Oct 2004 20:30 Post subject: quote

12Tribes, thank you for sharing, brother!

His majesty was always an eloquent and wise speaker. I think everyone can benefit from such reading.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 117
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 25 Oct 2004 21:29 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> No one should question the faith of others, for no human being can judge the ways of God."

if ones cite dis quote of Haile Selassie I, den why do so any 1st advent Christians still attempt to proselytize and convert at any expense?

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 23:10 Post subject: Should you "Witness to RasTafari?" quote http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?p=19628#19628 This person makes a good point about "witnessing to RasTafari." I linked his reasoning to this section of the board because I thought that it was pertinent to what was taking place here. _____ http://www.aaronjudah.com/ RasTafari Meditation
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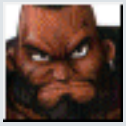
JonaGus Forum Veteran  Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 07 Oct 2004 17:02 Post subject: Re: Should you "Witness to RasTafari?" quote **aaronjudah wrote:** http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?p=19628#19628 This person makes a good point about "witnessing to RasTafari." I linked his reasoning to this section of the board because I thought that it was pertinent to what was taking place here. Here's what I posted over there. I hope it will contribute to the dialogue... **jtindall wrote:**

> First of all, I'm not really sure that we should "witness" to Rastafarians. This is a very difficult line to walk because, when you "witness" to some one or have the attitude that you will do such a thing, you are attempting to change a person's mentality.... We live by example.

"Witnessing" or "giving testimony" in the biblical sense is not primarily verbal preaching, exhortation, or admonition, as many people seem to think. (Including, unfortunately, many Christians.) It means living uprightly, doing what is right, loving other people as God loves. This includes being willing to suffer and die for what is good and true. The English word "martyr" comes from the Greek word "witness" --when you suffer and/or die for what is true, right, and godly, it is a testimony to the truth, to God. People who understand that testimony will also be drawn to what is good and true.

In this sense, all Christians should witness to all people, *including fellow Christians*. Everyone needs to see the power of God working in other people in our world, and everyone benefits from this. And everyone, *including Christians*, needs to be continually drawn to and won over by what is good and true and godly. The Christian life is a process of continual conversion and renewal.

So when you think of the word "witnessing," you should think of these words of Y'shua: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." You may also think of these words of Francis of Assisi: "Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary."

> **Quote:**
>
> You cannot represent the poor when you are wealthy yourself. If you want to understand the struggle, you must become a part of it. Otherwise, you will stand on the fringes and your hypocrisy will become apparent.

This is why so many Christians, including Francis & Clare of Assisi, Peter Maurin & Dorothy Day, Jim & Nancy Forest, Mark & Louise Zwick, and numerous others throughout history, embrace poverty voluntarily, and encourage other Christians to do the same. Compassion (literally "suffering with") and solidarity with the poor are a crucial part of the Christian life.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 03:39 Post subject: quote

Amen to that man.. that is how it should be! In my job we talk about sales and selling ideas to people and as Christians we have to do the same. How do you effectively sell something if you are not sold on it yourself and living the lifestyle?

I think that sometimes when it comes to "Witnessing to Rasta's" many have been spoiled by one bad apple, or many of bad apples that have tried to paint the image that having dreads is a bad thing. I come from a West Indian culture that is filled with Christian conservatists that are very anti-rasta, and found that Americans are alot more accepting by far... well, at least to say alot more inquisitive or willing to learn something new because they may not know about Caribbean/Rasta culture. You have to get to know somebody before you can give them advice!!

Whenever I think of witnessing and missionaries I'm reminded of that movie The Mission with Robert De Niro.

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JonaGus
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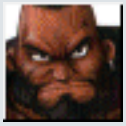

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 16:59 Post subject: quote

coolpoete wrote:

> Amen to that man.. that is how it should be!

An Indian man recently told me, regarding political candidates, "We need fewer people just *talking* about their religion and more people actually *practicing*!" I think there is a lot of truth in this.

Quote:

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Sometimes we probably need "outsiders" who aren't so close to issues to see them with new eyes and to throw new light onto them.

Quote:

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What do you think of it?

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 18:15 Post subject: quote

deh shining of ones light involves no talking initially, if dem don't be"lie"ve I ask a moth. which man lighteth a candle under a bushel?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 18:47 Post subject: quote

Interesting answer. I find that many are so stuck in zeal that they really lose all effectiveness, in witnessing. I have a coworker who is very zealous but totally lacks wisdom in witnessing. He has even told a Hindu Customer of ours that he is on his way to Hell.

That to me is not witnessing.

Witnessing is living in such a way that like PLIH has said it is shining a light. It is living in such a way that your light shines and is a benifit. My boss and several coworkers went to a funeral this morning for another cowrokers father. The preacher at the funeral laid out the message of the Gospel. It was to the letter and by the Book. But if on Monday I am not shining a light of what Christ is doing and has done in my life, then that sermon means nothing to my boss. Are our words backed up by our deeds? And that in my mind is what many folks have left Churchianity and have become Rasta because of. They so often do not see the message lived out by the supposed Christians. If you want to "witness" to a Rasta, you do not do so by telling the Rasta that he must change, but rather you show that person how Christ has changed you. It is preached in demonstration and power. This is most often not the case in our world today. We are wasting time preaching a properity message and not living a live that is pleasing to God. Why would a Rasta want to follow that? If we would really just be solid Christians then the message is preached.

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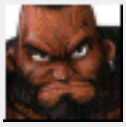
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 08 Oct 2004 19:25 Post subject: quote

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I couldn't agree with you more. Witnessing is the revelation of the positive effects of God's life in you. Telling other people they're "going to Hell" is hardly that!

Quote:

> It is living in such a way that your light shines and is a benifit.

Absolutely.

Quote:

> If you want to "witness" to a Rasta, you do not do so by telling the Rasta that he must change, but rather you show that person how Christ has changed you.

Yes, brother! Amen.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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The Messenjah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
Location: Babylon, North Carolina

Posted: 09 Oct 2004 05:29 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> I have a coworker who is very zealous but totally lacks wisdom in witnessing. He has even told a Hindu Customer of ours that he is on his way to Hell.

what a way to win customers over.

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Author	Message
Outlaw Man Joined: 03 Oct 2004 Posts: 39	Posted: 09 Oct 2004 05:36 Post subject: quote Yeah no doubt!..That dude should be fired for saying that to that Hindu.
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12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 41 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 10 Oct 2004 23:54 Post subject: Be a witness to the Nations quote Greeting Aaron Judah, well personally as a Rastafarian, we are supposed to listen to His Imperial Majesty who absolutely followed and walked in the footsteps of the Messiah, Yeshua, the Son of Yah or Jah. Who is the only Way, Truth, Life to the Father. We must abide by his great teachings & counsel which is preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, & baptising ones in the Name of the Father, & of the Son, & of the Holy Spirit This same teachings is what I enjoy sharing with my fellow Rastafarians. Like Israel was called to be a witness to the nations and bring back the true worship of Jah, so shall Rastafari be. _____ "Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)
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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 00:01 Post subject: a typical westernized Christian attitude

quote

Well that is exactly what alot of so called Christians tell people when they don't know about Jesus Christ. " If you don't know about Jesus you are going to hell." That is just a typical westernized christian attitude, & certainly not what the Messiah told people at all. Because he was bringing all peoples to Him so they can learn about the Gospel of the Kingdom, which the Father sent Him to preach to us. Like the Bible says," For the Son of Jah came to not to condemn the world through Him might be saved." So what gives these so called Christians the right to judge ones? That is not Messianic, and certainly not Christ-like at all. His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie was this ignorant but shared the Good News with the people like we should also do.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:02 Post subject:

quote

I don't think it is done out of a place of feeling that they have a right. It is a religious zeal that can happen to any kind of religion. Islam has it, even to the point of killing those that disagree. Jews have it in the Pharisees. It is not particular to Christianity.

It is how ever harmful. The Bible tells us that it is the goodness of God that leads us to repentance.

Is there a typo in your last sentence? I am not sure I understand what you mean.

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:32 Post subject: my fault

quote

Sorry blaminack, I made a mistake indeed. I meant to say," His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie was not this ignorant but shared the Good News with the people like we should also do. I also meant to say," For the Son of Jah came to not to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 04:58 Post subject:

quote

Seen, and agreed.

I think that we some common goals in mind. We must share the Good News of the Gospel. I firmly believe that it must be seen in our lives most of all.

Much of what is called witnessing is nothing more than Relgious pride. My views are better than your views type of thing. That is not the Gospel.

The Gospel is about changed lives. Outside of that Spritual Rebirth that comes only through Christ, there is no real change.

We have some rough methods sometimes, but I know that the Bible says that if Christ is lifted up all men will be drawn to Him. This is much of what I see expressed by Selassie in the interviews that I have listened to so many times. We all must live a life that is a drawing of men to Christ because of what He is doing in our lives.

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 21 Aug 2004 10:23 Post subject: Teachings of Ras Tafari quote I was just thinking: in the strict meaning of the words, the teachings of rastafari should be the teachings of ras tafari, of haile selassie. His teachings were ethiopian orthodox. Now, what many people today think about when they hear rastafari, they often think of something else than the real teachings of his majesty. So could we say that what the movement of rastafarians made of their teachings, in a sense is not really the teaching of ras tafari? _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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Regis_sounds Joined: 07 Jun 2004 Posts: 80	Posted: 21 Aug 2004 13:52 Post subject: quote Yep i agree with u on that. _____ Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.
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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 02:25 Post subject: quote

MMMM MMMM AGAIN!! Thats when you come to see that we rastas cover all selasies H.I.M.'s teachings, including the ethiopian orthodox church & the bible....., Unlike some who dwell on limited, incomplete information, then going around throwing careless jabs here & there e.g. Cristafari (FAQ)!! mm mm

In your bibilical quote game have this :->> **" my people die cause of lack of knowledge"**!!

BLESS!!!!!

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Regis_sounds

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Posts: 80

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 05:23 Post subject: quote

Well WART-HOG u keep saying you are one of gods people so i fit it as u die as a lack of knowledge.You amaze me with wat u come up with.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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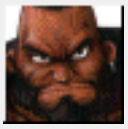
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 18:11 Post subject: Re: Teachings of Ras Tafari quote

Irie-in-Christ wrote:

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The Rastafarian movment has roots going back before the coronation of H.I.M. Haile Selassie. The colonial history of Jamaica and the African repatriation movment were big factors in the development of Rastafari long before they *were* "Rastafari." Rasta beliefs about Selassie were an "addition" to an already existing

movment.

You might do well to read some histories of Rastafarianism --there are many to choose from.

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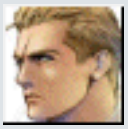

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 30 Aug 2004 20:39 Post subject: quote

yes, but before H.I.M. we couldn't really call this movement 'rastafari', could we?

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Bless!
Jochem

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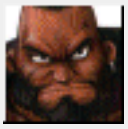

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 30 Aug 2004 21:55 Post subject: quote

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> yes, but before H.I.M. we couldn't really call this movement 'rastafari', could we?

What you call it will not change its continuity: what is now called "Rastafari" has been evolving over a long period of time, even before Selassie. Earlier the movement looked for the advent of a "black" king, and later it found one. The movement began to be called "Rastafari" after the coronation of H.I.M. Haile Selassie I, who became a key (if not the central!) figure of the religion.

I guess Rastas would probably say that the implicit expectation of Emperor Selassie, even before his coronation "advent," could justify calling the pre-Selassie movement "Rastafari" too. He was already the key figure, so to speak, and only his name was unknown. But that's just a guess. You should ask Rastas.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 31 Aug 2004 06:11 Post subject: quote

Blessup in H.I.M.
bredrens & sistrens,
Ini personal overstanding is dat Emmanuel deh Christ did not com forth to start a new way of worshipping Jah or a new religion/division. Paul is deh one who came forth with a totally new faith, because if deh I dem really followed Emmanuel, den deh I dem would all be of the orthodox judiastic faith practicing rituals in deh manner dat Emmanuel did. Emmanuel in flesh was a nazarite which meks deh consumption of a grape juice product undrinkable, if deh I dem assume dat he kept him covenant fi life. Ini always ask first advent christians was Emmanuel a christian in deh flesh, and never can get an answer? Ini cite up Yeshua/Emmanuel deh Christ as the fulfillment of deh Mosaic Law just as Haile Selassie is deh fulfillment of deh 1st advent Christian laws/duties(this is different because deh I dem have grace now). final questions for 1st advent christians in love and humility, where does a man of the flesh of King David's loins, who vanished from the throne of David, whom has hair like wool and skin of burnt brass, carrying all three of Christ's returned titles and has been trini-crowned as in the power of his new name, lastly being the head of deh Ark of deh covenant of Jah fit into your doctrines? if deh I dem say he was just a man and all those are coincidental, please reference St.John 8:12/9:5 and tell me who is a liar? Rases or Haile Selassie I?
feel no way Jah children, iz just food for learning!
Hail H.I.M. in perfectlove

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 01 Sep 2004 17:15 Post subject: quote **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** Emmanuel in flesh was a nazarite which meks deh consumption of a grape juice product undrinkable, if deh I dem assume dat he kept him covenant fi life. There is no evidence that Y'shua was ever a Nazarite. In fact, we do have evidence that Y'shua drank wine and encouraged others to do the same. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 01 Sep 2004 17:39 Post subject: quote deh problem with dat reasoning is if Yeshua was not a nazarite then why was Yohn deh baptist mistaken when he came forward for deh Christ? speaking of appearance wise-
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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 01 Sep 2004 17:54 Post subject: quote

Jonagus, you said " I would guess they're probably not yet answering your questions because it looks like you could be baiting someone for an argument rather than simply asking questions for information."

I don't overstand you. Why do you think that it lookes like I am baiting for an argument? I am not. I started this topic by 'I was just thinking'. And that's all there is to it. I was just thinking and wanted to know how others think about this.

You also said: "You might do well to read some histories of Rastafarianism --there are many to choose from."

I have already done that. I am quite familiar with rastafari. 'Jesus Dread' from W.D Spencer is on my bookshelf, and many more. So you are not the only one that knows some. And as you can see, the real rasta's ARE responding.

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Bless!
Jochem

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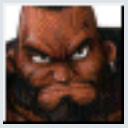

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 01 Sep 2004 20:14 Post subject: quote

> **Irie-in-Christ wrote:**
> Why do you think that it lookes like I am baiting for an argument? I am not.

I'm glad you're not. But it's hard to read tone through text, as I'm sure you know. And when people begin a conversation by pointing to apparent discrepancies in someone else's thought, it tends to look like they want an argument, though they may not. (And I'm not talking about a fight with animosity, just a debate.)

Quote:

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OK. Then you already know that Selassie is, in a very real sense, a later "addition" to an already existing consciousness/ideology movement, a movement in which he usually plays a key role but which already had direction before he came on the scene. You already know that he is often not looked upon as the teacher or leader of the movement in the sense your question seemed to imply. And you know why many Rastas feel tension with Ethiopian Orthodoxy, instead of adopting it eagerly.

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 02 Sep 2004 16:38 Post subject: quote

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When Bob sings of 'the teachings of his majesty' I think what we should do is look at what his teachings really were about. They were ethiopian orthodox. He was a christian. He denied being God and sent bishop Yesehaq to jamaica to dispel the worship of H.I.M. So I was just thinking: if we all want to really follow the teachings of his majesty, we should follow Christ and nobody else. I do not know why rasta's have a problem with ethiopian orthodoxy. To me it is a matter of doing your homework well. There is much material about haile selassie (about his life, his way of seeing things etc.) It is my opinion that if you study this all carefully, you can only come to one conclusion: haile selassie wanted nobody to worship or follow him. So I would say that it is cool to have respect for rasta's and be friendly towards them (as

to every human being). But how far must this respect go? For me, it is too far if we don't make it clear that we all should follow Christ, and not H.I.M. RESPECT!

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Bless!

Jochem

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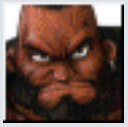
Forum Veteran



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I see you point. I just don't know to what extent I would say that. The book of Hebrews, in chapter 11, speaks of Moses looking forward to the Messiah, the Christ. Is he not, in some sense, a "Christian," albeit without explicit knowledge of Y'shua? And ancient Christians like Justin Martyr called the philosopher Socrates a kind of "Christian," though he lived before the time of Y'shua, because so many of his beliefs pointed forward toward Christ.

So maybe you can call pre-Selassie members of the movement "Rastas" in some sense, albeit a qualified one?

Of course, the qualification could be immense. Rastas will probably see more continuity between the prior movement and the movement after 1930 than most Christians would.

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I'm not necessarily disagreeing with you here. I am a Christian myself, and though not a member of the EOC, I have many beliefs in common with it and am very respectful toward it. But I think there may be some "Rastas" who are quite a bit closer to Christianity than others think, even to the point of being "a kind of Christianity." Consider those Rastas who do worship Y'shua and do not worship Selassie, but regard the emperor as a great ikon of Y'shua. This is not entirely distinguishable from Christianity, may be considered closer to Christianity than some other forms of Rastafari, and may actually be a form of Christianity. This is something worth exploring.

I wonder, though, whether many Christians here would *really* be happy about Rastas becoming EOC members. The EOC, like the Eastern Orthodox and Catholic Churches, holds many ancient Christian doctrines and practices dear which Protestants find repulsive, like the veneration of Miriam and the saints, the eucharist as the true flesh and blood of Y'shua, the seven holy mysteries (sacraments) as means of grace, the longer Old Testament canon, the hierarchy of bishops, the veneration of holy icons, etc.

> **Quote:**
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One reason that Spencer points out is that the Ethiopian Orthodox Church has long been involved in amicable ecumenical dialogue with other major Christian churches and groups--including churches and groups that Rastas consider (whether rightly or wrongly) to be a part of (or in collusion with) "Babylon," e.g. churches and groups whose members who participated in the

trans-Atlantic slave trade and/or whose members have perpetuated other racial and economic injustices. Rastas might be able to accept the EOC if the EOC were not willing to engage in ecumenical dialogue and pray with Southern Baptists (to choose an example of one Christian group with a racially checkered history).

Now personally, I don't particularly like Southern Baptist theology in general (sorry, SBC members). And I agree that the SBC has an abhorrant historical association with American slavery and race-segregation, which everyone should oppose. On the other hand, I also recognize that there are now many Southern Baptists who are not racists (at least not consciously or intentionally), nor would they condone racism. And many Southern Baptists are clearly trying to come to terms with their history in one way or another, to repent, reconcile, and build bridges, as seems to be the case in the books like *Getting Right With God: Southern Baptists and Desegregation, 1945-1995*, *Time to Reconcile: The Odyssey of a Southern Baptist*, *The Last Days: A Son's Story of Sin and Segregation at the Dawn of a New South* (I have not read these, just seen descriptions).

So on the one hand, I can understand the tension Rastas would feel if the EOC was praying with Southern Baptists and engaging them in friendly ecumenical dialogue: the SBC was, historically, an "enemy," and a quite cruel one at that. On the other hand, the history of a group like the Southern Baptists does not inevitably determine the way all Southern Baptists now are or what they believe: They can reject their fathers' racism, and many have done so. To that I would say: if our enemies would repent, we should welcome the repentance and look forward to reconciliation, not reject it.

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Joined: 19 Jun 2004
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Posted: 02 Sep 2004 23:22 Post subject: quote

Irie-in-X-rist

you wrote: I do not know why rastas have a problem with ethiopian orthodoxy.

I dont know which **rastas(necessary opppressed peoples spiritual struggle)** your talking about, or are you refering to **dumbstars / rusters**

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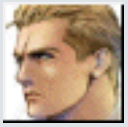
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 03 Sep 2004 09:10 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> So maybe you can call pre-Selassie members of the movement "Rastas" in some sense, albeit a qualified one?

I see your point as well. Still I think that a movement can only be called after a person, from the time this person came into the picture. For instance the Mosaic law only existed from the time Moses existed. And the Mosaic 'movement' only came alive after and during the life of Moses. But I know you can also look it at the way you describe.

Quote:

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Good point, I think you may be right.

Thanks for explaining the trouble some rasta's have with EOC. I overstand now

Quote:

> But there are Rastas who do not worship Selassie.

I know. Praise Jah

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Bless!

Jochem

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 03 Sep 2004 16:45 Post subject: quote **Irie-in-Christ wrote:** **Quote:** I wonder, though, whether many Christians here would really be happy about Rastas becoming EOC members. The EOC, like the Eastern Orthodox and Catholic Churches, holds many ancient Christian doctrines and practices dear which Protestants find repulsive, like the veneration of Miriam and the saints, the eucharist as the true flesh and blood of Y'shua, the seven holy mysteries (sacraments) as means of grace, the longer Old Testament canon, the hierarchy of bishops, the veneration of holy icons, etc. Good point, I think you may be right. As for me, I would be pleased if more Rastas discovered roots Christianity and became Ethiopian Orthodox. I have no objection to these ancient Christian doctrines and practices of the EOC, especially now that the non-Chalcedonian Oriental Orthodox Churches have agreed to common christological declarations with the Churches who accepted the christology of the Council of Chalcedon. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 04 Sep 2004 00:43 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Emmanuel in flesh was a nazarite which meks deh consumption of a grape juice product undrinkable, if deh I dem assume dat he kept him covenant fi life.

i could be wrong but s didnt them messiah drink of the fruit of the vine at the last supper. i know the messiah was a dreadlocks and a nazerene (means from nazereth) but i dont know if he was specifically under the vow. being Jah in flesh he would be the fulfillment of the nazerite not really bound to the order of the vow.

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 04 Sep 2004 06:15 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> i know the messiah was a dreadlocks

Ras B, Could you tell me how exactly do you know this?

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Bless!

Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Posted: 04 Sep 2004 22:42 Post subject: quote

The messiah was the fullment of the nazerite and they were a shadow of Him. and they were the first RasTaman patterened after Him all of them having ras(dreadlocks) on thier head. i believe since He is the Head Creator=Ras Tafari then the true RasTaman nazerites of now are patterened after him as well. all having their head in knots just as their Messiah.

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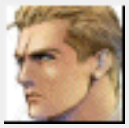
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



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Posted: 05 Sep 2004 13:50 Post subject: quote

But what if we know by sciences as archeology etc. more or less what people looked like in that time and place (jews in Israel 2000 years ago), and we learn that those people didn't have any dreadlocks????
I mean, to me it's no big deal. I like dreads. So if Jesus had dreads: cool. But I don't think you can say with certainty that Jesus was a dreadlock.

_____
Bless!
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 06 Sep 2004 02:21 Post subject: quote

Jdg 16:13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.

Now this would say braids if it meant braided hair, and the fact that there were only seven locks is of interest. There are pictures available on the Net that show men with very Few butr really large locks.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 06 Sep 2004 03:44 Post subject: quote

mm mmm you x-ristians! you keep claiming jesus coming was a prophecy since even adams time! you claim the scripture speaks all of the coming of jesus! **ancient prophets said he shall come up & be called a nazarene for the NAZARITE CULTURED flock he dwelt with(MATTHEW 2:23 >>[b]And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, "He shall be called a Nazarene."**)[/b] ! so I ask myself as in your shoes instead of beating about the bush! **what is a nazarene**?????? **what do nazarites do**????? so thats how I know he was afiliated with the nazarites more than any roman culture!!

gedamawe bless!!

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A Nazarene is a Person that lived in Nazareth.

A Nazarite is a person who took a Nazarite vow.

This is a common misinterpretation.

You are how ever totally correct in the Christ had NOTHING to do with Roman culture. That perversion came in much later.

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Author	Message
perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 08 Sep 2004 16:32 Post subject: quote blessed love, could one please explain to I, why Yohn deh baptist was mistaken for Immanuel deh Christ when he came forth out of deh wilderness. deh I dem know dat Yohn was under deh nazarite vow from birth, so for him to appear in this fashion and be mistaked for deh son of Jah, it raises questions nonedehless.
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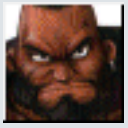
JonaGus Forum Veteran  Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 08 Sep 2004 17:22 Post subject: quote **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** could one please explain to I, why Yohn deh baptist was mistaken for Immanuel deh Christ when he came forth out of deh wilderness. He wasn't "mistaken for the Christ." That would imply people had already formed ideas about him. But no one knew *what* John was doing prophesying, or by what authority. That's why they had to ask "Who *are* you?" (John 1:19). So John denied being the Messiah, Elijah, and the Prophet foretold by Moses. The real reason John would have to deny being the Messiah was because he was prophesying. That was something the Messiah was expected to do. So John had to clarify that he was a prophetic

Voice, but not the actual Messiah.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
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Location: ohio, us

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 13:22 Post subject: quote

bless,
if ones are acknowledging that Haile Selassie is who he says he is, then why do his teachings not automatically become a third testament to the I-ble? if ones say that Haile Selassie is not the King of Kings, Lord of Lords, The Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah & the Light of the World, then I can overstand why. and for those who say that I-Majesty is a liar, then why is it that none of the nations of deh world stood up and disputed these issues at His coronation. the teachings of H.I.M. are foremostly concerned with hue-manity, then specifically pan-Afreecan and finally global morality. He never let deh issue of specific faiths hinder progress between nations like ones will allow denominations of faith to corrode I-nity between bredren & sistren.
if ones don't accept what Ini am saying, jes check Selected Speeches of H.I.M. and seee how many subjects that I-Majesty speaks on and deh direction dat he leads deh youth, if deh I dem waan really speak on deh teachings of H.I.M.

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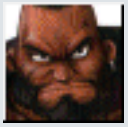

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 16:41 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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His imperial majesty explicitly denied that he is God and affirmed that he is a mere mortal (and even a sinner in need of Y'shua's salvation) who will be succeeded by future generations. He said all that, and I believe him. And so, at most, he may be regarded as a Christian saint (though I do not think the EOC has glorified him so). We have no reason to believe that his majesty's teachings, however good, are divinely inspired. In fact, as a Christian, he would agree with the other Christians here that the revelation of Y'shua, who is the divine Word of God, is the end of public divine revelation. Anything beyond Y'shua and the Scripture which reveals him is mere "application," not Scripture.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 18:33 Post subject: quote

1. its funny but when Ini search scriptures, I cannot find where Immanuel says he is God explicitly. He says "I & I father are one" & "when you have seen I, you have seen deh Father" but what man who is doing deh will of Jah in flesh cannot say these things. it only til paul comes after Christ Yeshua and says that He(Christ) found it not robbery to be equal wid Jah.(phil.2:6)

2. in deh very Inner-view dat deh I quotes, H.I.M. responses to deh question of H.I.M. being Je-sus Christ reincarnated, I never heard H.I.M. actually say no, nor do I ever hear H.I.M. say what He is not jus what he is. if Ini ask you are you Christ returned, I am assuming that you instantly say no, that you are not.

3. Jah is not of confusion, so when I see an actual fulfillment of prophecies in flesh, I as a student of deh I-ble could never turn Ini face from what Ini behold. Ini do not deal in coincidences, so

when I see I-Majesty's coronation garments the exact color as if deh had been dipped in blood, a 2000 year old prophecy exhibits itself for deh world to see. when I see I-Majesty upon deh white horse going forth to conquer, there is no simple explanation for this. when Ini see 1st advent Christians under deh roman pagan doctrine of skylarking, not accepting the reality of Haile Selassie I - it just echos deh same set of events that happened to Yeshua when Isreal rejected Him also.

4. King David nor King Solomon had to be Jah in flesh for their words to become canonical scripture, so that point is moot. if dem know biblical I-story, den at deh very least Haile Selassie I becomes deh last King of Isreal, which meks H.I.M. equal to His royal predacessors.

5. finally how many Lights of the World are Christians willing to accept & acknowledge? Ini ask this because this title is deh only title dat seperates H.I.M. from every other righteously divine Ethiopian monarch.
blessupinH.I.M.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
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Posted: 09 Sep 2004 20:19 Post subject: quote

JAHN 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word **WAS** God.

1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

1:3 All things were made through him. Without him was not anything made that has been made.

1:4 In him was life, and the life was the **LIGHT** of men.

1 JAHN 1:1 That which was from the beginning, that which we have heard, that which we have seen with our eyes, that which we saw, and our hands touched, concerning the **WORD** of life

1 JAHN 5:5 This is the message which we have heard from him and announce to you, that **GOD IS LIGHT,** and in him is no

darkness at all.

I would have to say that Thomas said it all!

Jahn 20:28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my GOD!"

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 21:10 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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> 1. its funny but when Ini search scriptures, I cannot find where Immanuel says he is God explicitly.

"'I tell you the truth,' Y'shua answered, 'before Abraham was born, I AM!'"

Y'shua's audience clearly understood that Y'shua was claiming to be God, because they sought to stone him for blaspheming or misusing the Name of God: "At this, they picked up stones to stone him." They were following Leviticus: "Anyone who blasphemes the Name of the LORD must be put to death. The entire assembly must stone him. Whether an alien or native-born, when he blasphemes the Name, he must be put to death."

The Jews of Y'shua's time knew knew exactly what he was teaching about himself, and many were offended: "he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God."

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"I also met certain Rastafarians. I told them clearly that I am a

man. That *I am mortal and that I will be replaced by the on coming generation*, and that they should never make a mistake, in assuming or pretending, that the human being, is emanated from a deity."

But that is not all he said on the matter. He often referred and prayed to Y'shua as his Creator and Lord, for example. You might want to check out Karl Naphtali Philpotts' *Haile Selassie I: Defender of the Faith* for more sources on this.

> **Quote:**
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> so when I see I-Majesty's coronation garments the exact color as if deh had been dipped in blood, a 2000 year old prophecy exhibits itself for deh world to see.

Anyone can wear a blood colored robe or ride a white horse. That does not make him Christ. If the armies of heaven had followed Selassie, or if Selassie had cast the beast and the false prophet into the lake of fire, then you might have a chance of convincing me. But he did not. And now he has died and gone to Y'shua his Lord, Creator, and Savior. He may be revered as a saint of Jah, perhaps.

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Read the rest of what I wrote: We also have no reason to believe that his majesty's teachings, however good, are divinely inspired. In fact, as a Christian, Selassie would agree with the other Christians here that the revelation of Y'shua, who is the divine Word of God, is the end of public divine revelation. Anything beyond Y'shua and the Scripture which reveals him is mere "application," not Scripture. Jah cannot speak more than his divine Word-- that would be absurd.

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Y'shua is the King of Israel.

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Y'shua said to all of his disciples, who are members of him: "You are the light of the world." *It applies to his imperial majesty for the same reason it applies to me*: we are disciples and members of Y'shua Ha Mashiach, the Light of the World.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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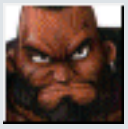

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Posted: 09 Sep 2004 21:52 Post subject: quote

Among other things, his majesty Haile Selassie said: "I am a man, and man cannot worship man," to Jamaican Minister of Education, Edward Allen.

And so we know that his majesty Selassie worshipped Y'shua, who did not refuse the adoration of his disciples, as God, but that Selassie denied being God and refused worship of himself.

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 09 Sep 2004 21:56 Post subject: quote Here's an interesting article about the Emperor's reburial, which represents different perspectives on his reign: http://www.africana.com/articles/daily/index_20001115.asp _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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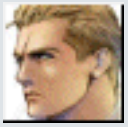
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran  Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 10 Sep 2004 07:40 Post subject: quote Amen to that Jonagus! I am very glad for your comments on this topic, the teachings of ras tafarari. Thanks! _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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perfectloveinH.I.M.
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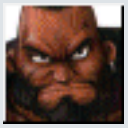

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Posted: 10 Sep 2004 17:32 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

> is dere anyone here who is saying dat Immanuel said he was more than a man?

Yes. Y'shua said he was more than a man when he used the Name of God for himself (go back and see previous posts).

Emperor Haile Selassie, furthermore, believed Y'shua is God and prayed to him, calling Y'shua "our blameless Creator," "our God," and "our Lord."

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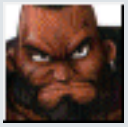

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Posted: 21 Sep 2004 21:28 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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> did Emmanuel speak of deh father in dese terms or of Himself in dese terms?

When Y'shua called himself the divine Name, he affirmed his own divinity, and he simultaneously affirmed the divinity of his Father, from whom he eternally receives his divine Nature and Name.

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Posted: 22 Sep 2004 19:36 Post subject: quote

1. what divine name?

2. is deh only difference between Emmanuel & Adam choices?

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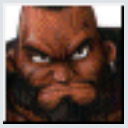

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Posted: 22 Sep 2004 20:12 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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> 1. what divine name?

YHWH, which means "I AM Who I AM," "I will be Who I will be," and "I AM." Y'shua called himself by this Name, God's own Name, which no devout Jew would even speak. Y'shua explicitly taught this is the Name that he, his Father, and the Holy Spirit share. For this reason, many of the other Jews sought to stone Y'shua for blasphemy, but they did not succeed.

Quote:

> 2. is deh only difference between Emmanuel & Adam choices?

Absolutely not. Adam sinned and Y'shua did not, true enough. But the first Adam, our first father, was only human, and not God at all. The second Adam, Y'shua, is God become Man.

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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 22 Sep 2004 23:18 Post subject: quote **RAS B** Another can also say he threatened the position of the scribes & pharisees at that time burning out their interpretations of JAH-MOSES-DOCTRINE! QEDAMAWE BLESS!
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prophet7 Joined: 25 Sep 2004 Posts: 15 Location: http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com	Posted: 25 Sep 2004 14:57 Post subject: quote **JonaGus wrote:** **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** 1. what divine name? YHWH, which means "I AM Who I AM," "I will be Who I will be," and "I AM." Y'shua called himself by this Name, God's own Name, which no devout Jew would even speak. Y'shua explicitly taught this is the Name that he, his Father, and the Holy Spirit share. For this reason, many of the other Jews sought to stone Y'shua for blasphemy, but they did not succeed.

Selassie said the same too "I am He."
Now ask yourselves who He meant when He said "He."

One Love
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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 25 Sep 2004 22:51 Post subject: quote

Do you have documentations that he said this? If so please show us where. Now, I mean independant of a biased site that is promoting an agenda.

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prophet7

Joined: 25 Sep 2004
Posts: 15
Location: http://rastavibes.suddenlaunch3.com

Posted: 26 Sep 2004 18:23 Post subject: quote

Let me check.....

One Love
prophet7

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Be still and know that His Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I, is Earths Rightful Ruler, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, the Conquering Lion from the Tribe of Judah, Jah Rastafari !

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 27 Sep 2004 19:11 Post subject: quote

those words were spoken when He arrived in JA coming off deh plane, on deh video footage that part is absent but it is in deh I-stements of varying individual Rases who really don't have to defend Selassie I because H.I.M. can stand pon His own.

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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12TribesLion

Joined: 01 Oct 2002
Posts: 41
Location: Caribbean

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 00:41 Post subject: Give us the teachings of His Majesty | quote

Irie in Christ asked why don't Rastas follow Selassie's teachings. Well you need to realise that His Imperial Majesty not only spoke on Yeshua the Messiah or Jesus like most of you know him as, but on many different subjects pertaining to the Rastafarian Faith. Such as African History which is one of the main objectives Rastafari was inspired by, & through Marcus Garvey's words. Then there is Education, Leadership, true Christianity, Tolerance, Spirituality, & many others that Rastafarians accept. If some of you were around Rastas, you wouldn't be making assumptions like you are doing here.

Like Bob Marley said," Give us the teachings of His Majesty for we nuh want no devil philosophy!" I said it already and will say it again, Yeshua had to been dreadlocks because he was persecuted just like the Rastafarians are now by society. Yeshua was a Nazarite, he didn't drink no wine it was grape juice he rather drank, according to the Hebrew Bible not any Greek, or English bibles, that distorted the truth about Him. It is importan that we find out the roots of the Bible which is Hebrew not Greek or anyother language, because Gentiles added their own pagan thoughts in it.

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"Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)

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Muslim Fire

Joined: 07 Sep 2004
Posts: 16

Posted: 11 Oct 2004 01:35 Post subject: | quote

Well you look new 12tribeslion so welcome to the forums

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:07 Post subject: quote Hebrew or Greek Bible, Scripture tells us that Jews were to partake of the Passover Supper, of which wine is a huge part. I have no problem with the idea that Jesus was a Nazarite, but it is one that I don't see in Scripture, even in touching the bier of a dead boy raising him from the dead. Can you show me some places that have led you to this conclusion?
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12TribesLion Joined: 01 Oct 2002 Posts: 41 Location: Caribbean	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:27 Post subject: No new member quote Muslim Fire wrote: Well you look new 12tribeslion so welcome to the forums No bredren I've been a member since 2002, just ain't been posting for a good while that's all. _____ "Unto which promise our Twelve Tribes, instantly serving Jah day and night, hope to come. "(Acts 26:7)
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Muslim Fire Joined: 07 Sep 2004 Posts: 16	Posted: 11 Oct 2004 03:55 Post subject: quote Ok _____ http://www.troid.org/ salafitalk.net salafipubilications.com thewahhabimyth.com
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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1085 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 18 May 2004 11:42 Post subject: The Christafari Doctrine.... quote

This posting is an expression of genuine thoughts and critique with the purpose of trying to make debatable what in the minds of many may not seem so important, but has a lot of relevance nevertheless.

This posting may sound "negative" and you can easily think of other words which are used to legitimatize a censorship. It might go in-depth, and before overstanding is reached it might be so that things have to be discussed which in the eyes of some are not to be used among people who follow JAH.

But you see in the Bible too, that people debate and debate deep. You see Paulus who publically told Peter that he was a hypocrite. You have Yesus Who in His Holy Anger wiped away the traders in - what was then still- JAH's temple.

You see also in the writings of Christafari, that reasoning is a very important part in the culture called Rastafari, a culture of which it is said that Christafari wants to have contact with members off. This reasoning is however impossible when there are "moderators", or better: "censorators" who are unaware of this and label every critique as "negative", or "unbiblical" and all that.

Added to that, there are also provocateurs who are aiming at

taking every discussion or debate away from the topic and put it in a bad vibe, an unconstructive vibe. But these are easily recognized.

So it is my proposal to discuss the topics raised in this posting, in a mutual acknowledgment of each other's right to free speech and a mutual acknowledgment to stay on-topic.

It is not "workable" to have a discussion when there are censorators watching who are unable to overstand the words and in some kind of power-trip change postings or delete them. This will definitely end the discussion and will as a result of that only confirm the impression that many have.

When I write "Christafari", I am writing about the "entity" so to speak that is the subject of the Christafari.com website. Christafari, Lion Of Zion, is the name of what is called a "ministry". So an "official Christafari point of view" is for example an opinnion written down in the Christafari FAQ.

When I write Mark Mohr, I am referring to the founder of the "Christafari Ministry".

When I write about "Christafarians", I am refering to those people who are interested in Reggae, Dreads and so on, and get their main information from Christafari, who they see as the "Christian Authority on Rastafari". Usually, Christafarians are Christians who also dwell within the Christian Culture.

Now, after having said this, let's go over to the topic. I hope that this will go in-depth, I hope that many aspects will be covered, I hope that this will result in an edifying, clarifying situation.

Let's start off with some "overall" points of critique. It is then more easy to discuss certain details of this all.....

I will do so in a reply to this posting, just for the sake of clarity.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.

The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari

Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 18 May 2004 12:25 Post subject: quote

Jetze just by trying to SPIN the job of the moderator into a negative thing for the purposes of saying what ever you want is wrong.

You think that calling me a censorator would keep me from deleting posts that need to be deleted will not work. I have deleted maybe 6-7 posts in the entire time that I have been a moderator. After having read literally thousands I would hardly call that a power trip or censorship. The ONLY reason anything gets deleted is abuse of the Rules of the Forum. Your Forum has rules I am sure. I am also sure that along the line some where you have had to delete some posts, close threads or let people know they were way off topic.

Now to the "Christafari" definition that you gave, I suppose there are some that think the way that you describe, but I don't know any. Most of the folks that post here regularly are quite informed on the subject but just have differant perspectives from yours. That seems to bother you and invoke a condescending "rebuke".

Censorship works both ways. It is only prevented whne both sides have respect for the views and ideas of the other.

Now let your "critique" begin. I will listen to see if there is anything to be learned.

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Admin
Administrator

Joined: 05 Nov 2001
Posts: 279
Location: Los Angeles, CA

Posted: 18 May 2004 14:55 Post subject: quote

I'm not even sure what the question was after reading that post so I am going to just leave a brief comment. I spoke much but never got to the critique. I don't know if this post is off-topic yet because I'm not sure what aspect of Christafari you are goign to comment on. It may better be placed in Christafari or Opinions instead of Rasta Reasoning.

On your comment about "right of free speech" - no civilization in the world has it. They all call it 'freedom' and then place limits on it. This is in an effort to protect certain groups that can't usually protect themselves.

Likewise, our terms of use (which are posted in the Announcements section) make no guarantee of free speech on this board. Like any community we have the right to place boundaries on what we see and it is this way for many reasons. By your use of the board you have submitted yourself to these boundaries as stated in the terms of use -- the same way someone living in a town submits themselves to the local bylaws and the elected government. This is not a hard concept to understand as it is universal.

There has been VERY little post deleting in this forum but I have instructed the moderators to do more as we are straying from our purpose. Some people on this forum seem to be unable to carry on without constant observation. Anyone who violates the terms of service, or who we see getting out of line and debating apart from the Biblical model will have their posts deleted. As well, there will be a general "clean up" on the way in which non-beneficial posts will be removed. More on this later, but as you can see posting rubbish at this point will be of little use as it will be removed.

Now if you have any questions from the FAQ that you wanted to discuss, please post away....be aware that the post may be moved to 'Christafari' depending on the contente.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 18 May 2004 15:13 Post subject:

I think this thread is long overdue. I think it is a mistake to go on the defensive so soon B. Censorship certainly is a very "touchy" subject. However, I would try to look at this as an opportunity to really make clear the Chrstifari reasonings for it. I have personally been a victim of this censorship on this sight as Im sure MD has. I also feel it is VERY misleading to say that you have only deleated 6 or 7 posts. I beg to differ.

Also, I believe that this thread will cover alot more ground than just the positives and negatives of the censorship issue.

Dread,

I wonder if you would consider making a "rule" for this thread that we not bring up the ganja issue as it has been thouroughly examined in the last few months. I think there is much ground to cover that could be considerably delayed by rehashing the subject. (no pun intended)

ALL,

Anyway, first of I will say that I would like to have Mr Mohr interact with us on this thread if that is at all possible. I think that this would really give us all a real feel for the overall vision of Christafari as of now.

One major thing that I personally am still undecided about is idea of the dreads in order to be "like" a rasta to help minister. I do not think it is wrong necessarily but would be interested in a more clarified version on the thinking about appearence to others from Rev. Mohrs point of view.

So maybe censorship and ministry vision could be good jumping off points for this thread??

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 18 May 2004 15:22 Post subject: quote

i am glad to see this post up a few days after i had mentioned this Overwhelming Fact on some other posts., ..everyone who is seeking out their faith should be able to ask any question about any part of the Bible and also be able to Have Answered with the Opinion of every believer to the best they are able to explain what the seeker is searching out. To Deny Man the Ability to search for the Truth is like waving a niCe Hot Meal under a Hungry man nose and saying you can't have none!...Remember Christ say's " Man Shall Not Live By Bread and Water Alone"... Spiritual Nutrition is just as important. To Some anytime anyone disagree's with them it is a offense,..i feel sorry for those people to say the least, to say the most i will say this...Truth is 1 and for all, if there are disagreements then it is not the Truth's Fault, it is merely that the Truth has yet to be Spoken because Truth is Non Partial and is for all...That is the Reason for Reasoning, to find the Truth and then to Glory within the Truth because it brings Freedom. to speak of Rastafari only clouds up the issues and brings nothing towards Christianity. Haile Selassie was a man just as you and me and thats like sitting around praising each other and worshipping each other because we Follow Jesus Christ. We Should All Focus on Christianity and the Words Of Jesus Christ Specific if we are to Search out the Truth of Christ. Haile Selassie tells us all the same thing, so there shouldnt even be debate on that, and to further this..even the name Christafari promotes name of Rastafari and makes it all a Fashion Game..with no disrespect to them members of the band or whatever..hope ya dont erase this post.....but, if i may continue...it's what i feelin seen? there is so much hidden racist mentality idea's coming from within this site its insane, so if i may be allowed via a non partial attitude towards the legends of this site, i shall come with the truth so far as i am allowed to reveal withing the Glory and Majesty of the Father Within and Above all of the same 1 in 3 3 in 1..I give thanks still...there is much to be reasoned about this Christafari/Rastafari talk and debate cause the Name is Christ.... enought of the mix up... 1 love for all

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 18 May 2004 15:37 Post subject: quote

"an agenda that has to silence the opposition isnt an agenda worth fighting for".... Quote from Ghettobooster, wise words

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 18 May 2004 16:48 Post subject: quote

Zionslave,

I challenge you to give referance to ANY post of yours that I have deleted.

I am by no means on the defensive. I am clearing some things up. The ONLY posts that I have deleted have been duplicates and ones that TOTALLY offended the Spirit of the Guidelines laid out by the Board Admin.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 423
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 18 May 2004 17:09 Post subject: quote

MD,

What is YOUR definition of this verse?
I ask because it is what is clear about dreadlocks and witnessing to those with dreads. Paul makes it clear that it is what is done for the sake of the gospel. I know you have a "problem" with this from what I have read from some of your posts.

1 COR 9:22 To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. 23 I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

MD

Quote:

> This reasoning is however impossible when there are "moderators", or better: "censorators" who are unaware of this and label every critique as "negative", or "unbiblical" and all that.

Messian, are you saying that everything you post is biblically sound and has no personal opinion associated with it?

You are saying what is only an opinion , not fact. Unaware? What do you mean? The moderators (from what I see) are making sure there are no destructive, personal attacks on the ones who are posting here.

You seem also to generalize:

> **Quote:**
>
> and all that

and all that. This is a very general and selfish statement. What do you mean and all that? Is all that what YOU feel or what JAH word says?

Scripture is clear that if there are heresy and malicious talk then we (as believers) should have nothing to do with such things.

So who do you want to "regulate/moderate" this or any forum?

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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The Messenjah Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Feb 2003 Posts: 109 Location: Babylon, North Carolina	Posted: 18 May 2004 21:46 Post subject: quote Messian, Thanks for clearing what you meant when you refurred to 'christafarians'. As many on this site, I have been looking for the truth and such. And as I have said once, a while back, I have taken to that name. Not because I think/accept Mark as an authority when it comes to rasta, or some of the other things on the FAQ, but because of the meaning(s) of the name itself. at any rate, thanks for makeing clear what you meant. shalom, and bless up. -joshuah _____

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 19 May 2004 03:24 Post subject:

quote

Blessings in the name of the Most High, ChristTafari! <<<< what is that all about... the name is Jesus Christ, not Christafari...what are you people's preaching to one another.. i need clarification cause it is sounding like some fashion dread bizniz to i... please clarify

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 19 May 2004 03:27 Post subject:

quote

you might as well all start calling me christaganjah cause i believe in Jesus also ...to say all this mix up with haile selassie ans jesus is Wrong as can be..and i for 1 as a Sound Minded Christian will tell you all regardless of the Style Points i might lose on this site...

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The Messenjah
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Joined: 20 Feb 2003
Posts: 109
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Posted: 19 May 2004 04:22 Post subject: quote

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I put that, because Messiah-Creator are two aspects of what I believe Christ is in His basic core.
As to the fashion dread comment, I don't understand what you mean to compare those two.

blessings.
-joshuah

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 May 2004 04:36 Post subject: quote

The name "Christafari" is an obvious derivate from the word "Rastafari". Some explanations are given, such as the meaning of the name of "Christopher" but it is obvious that when "Christafari" would not sound similar like "Rastafari" this name would never have been used to name the band and "ministry".

One can recognize the same principals in what is called "Christian Metal" or "Heavenly Metal". One of the leading forces in this is the "Sanctuary Church", headed by one "Pastor" Bob Beeman. His photo is on many Christian Metal albums, along with some words that are aimed at satisfying "concerned" parents who are wondering where there children are listening to. Most of the time the words are someting like "these guys are really christian". Mark Mohr, the founder of Christafari, is also "ordained" as a "pastor" by this same man Bob Beeman. The connection is there, and the influence is there too.

Taking certain words from the "metal scene", and bending them into something "christian" in order to reach the "metallers", is a principal applied by Bob Beeman, but also by Mark Mohr. That is why the band Christafari is called with that name. And it goes further.

Not only the name, but also the Ethiopian colours of Red Gold and Green is used. Dreadlocks are worn (correct word?), the Ethiopian symbol of the Lion of Judah, and many more things. This is all described by Christafari in their FAQ's where you can read that these are all things used in order to "reach the Rastas". This is a "Rastafarian Image", regardless what your thoughts are concerning the movement of Rastaf.ari

This is one of my points of critique towards Christafari and I see in the attitude of Christafarians (not all) a confirmation as to why this is wrong. Also Christafari sees some of this and they made some changes but as far as I'm concerned these are the wrong changes. Later on I will elaborate on that. For now, let's just establish that Christafari uses the same principals as Christian

bands who know their working field to be in the area of "black" metal and "satanism" and all that. A principal of "reversing" the message of the "target audience".

What does this show? For many it's a completely normal thing, but when you think deeper and further, you will find many difficulties which will result in even more difficult situations.

The first thing one has to ask, is: is the "satanic culture" of heavy metal to be compared with the culture of Rastafari? The metal church worships satan openly, blasphemy and killing and rape and nazism are virtues in that culture, a culture of death and destruction. True Rastas worship the Creator, JAH, treat their neighbors with respect, an renounce satan. So no, these cultures can not be compared to each other.

But why are then the same principals applied? Rastafari is portrayed as a "religion", a "false religion" by christafari and yet aspects of this socalled "false religion" are being "christianized" with the result that the music is made what i would call "Christianese Correct" when I'm in an ironic mood. I can and will give (verifiable) examples when asked for.

What are the results of these? First, the information which is given about Rastafari gives a totally wrong impression. When a "Christafarian" (see previous posting for definition) sees a Rastaman, he will have the same feeling/attitude as a Christian who meets a "satanist metaller".

Then, just like with the "Christian Metal", it creates a possibility for "christian youths" to "enjoy" the music which is otherwise seen as heathen, pagan, wrong, and all that. This is nothing more then "playing world". A "churchically acceptable" way of "enjoying" themselves in the same way as the "heathen" of which they are not allowed to have music.

Ofcourse this all have nothing to do with spreading JAH Love and JAH JAH message to people in a desperate need of salvation. I am not saying that people are not getting into contact with the gospel this way, but this will be a "side-effect" rather than the "main

effect" if I may use these words in this context.

A very obvious example of this can be found in the Christafari FAQ. You'll see the confusion it brings when you take a look: http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/list.html

You'll see two sentences under each other.

Jah - Why do we use the name?
Jah- Why Don't We Use the Name Anymore?

This is an absurdity allready, when you see these two sentences. Regardless of what you may think of the reasons for Christafari to "use" or "not use" the Name of JAH (which is sung every sunday in the church when they say halleluJAH), it's kind of weird.

The reasons why Christafari stopped using the Name JAH is in short (according to an interview with Mark Mohr) that because of their usage of the Name "Christians became Rastafarized" instead of their aim "Christianizing Rastas". I have a lot of critique concerning this decision myself, too. It's absurd to observe and establish a "Rastafarizing Christianity" and then to counter that taking away the Name of JAH, but still continueing making usage of the Rastafarian Cultural symbology, language and much more aspects.

The whole principal of the metal church, as I wrote about in the beginning of this posting, is applied and this, exactly this, has caused what I summarize as a "Rastafarizing Christianity". Ofcourse it has nothing to do with Rastafari. The Christian youths spoken off have not "become Rasta" anymore as that Michael Jackson became a Rasta. They have only applied aspects of (what they perceive as) the Rastafarian movement and are now doing things that "look Rasta", like speaking "Jamaican" (where Rasta focuses on Africa), wearing "dreadlocks" as a hairstyle (where Rasta wears dreads for different reason), wearing the coolors (no typo) red-gold-green (without any though concerning the spiritual place of Africa for example in the Bible) and I can go on and on. To then, in the situation Christafari may find/think themselves in,

taking away the Name of Jah but keeping all the other aspects which I mentioned above isn't doing anything good to anyone. It's like writing a song about babylon the fallen and then no longer singing it when the walls are coming down.

These are only a few thoughts I have. I hope that I was able to write them down in a way which can be read by people who read english. I also hope this will open an open debate without any oversensitive censors who do not understand what is said and taking honoust critique as "negative", or "loveless" or more of that.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 19 May 2004 05:48 Post subject: quote

Jetze I will do my best to consider your words IF you can stop and consider mine.

The first place of mistake that I see in your reasoning is the over reaching generalizations. I have no dreads, I never try to speak in "Iharic", I have no "Rasta Colored" clothing etc. Most of the fans of Christafari that I have seen go no farther than that they like the music. The largest base of this forum for example are Dancehall fans that could care little for Rastafarian teachings.

As far as the idea, of "reaching" Rastas, I have to ask you something. What will be the fate of Bobo Rastas? Are they as correct in their teachings as say 12 Tribes for example?

I must also ask what exactly is the Messian Dread technique of evangelism. I ask this because I see folks that take your word as the truth in the "wanna-be" rasta folks. You know the kind. I have seen a few folks that start liking your music and they want to emulate you... they send the email with the idea being.... "I have

been Religion shopping, and I like to smoke Ganja, and I think dreads are kind of nifty, so how do I join?" Do they hear the Gospel of Christ?

See I am hearing the idea of your critique but I have to ask what exactly are the working methods of Evangelism that you are finding usefull? I know that you are doing your best to wake up folks to Babylon, fine but what are you doing to reach those whose Rasta leanings have slipped them off into some New Age Doctrines, or Kemetism?

If you offer a critque then please offer a better method.

I know that you personally believe in Christ as your Saviour but what of those that you come in contact with that have replaced Christ with a man?

You say that Selassie is an Icon of Christ, ok but what happens when some one says Jetze you are wrong, HIM is God? Do you go about showing them the truth in love?

When I look at Christafari I see a group of people who are maturing as they go just like the rest of us. I see a Gospel Reggae Band. Yes their methods have caused a stir, but they also have given the Gospel Message to thousands of people.

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Admin
Administrator

Joined: 05 Nov 2001
Posts: 279
Location: Los Angeles, CA

Posted: 19 May 2004 05:52 Post subject: quote

Rest assured our moderators are in place for a reason and when the time comes they spring to action....and by the way, no one has come yet to the challenge to give us evidence of deleted posts, and in the meantime they are making crude and false accusations against brethren. We know there are some deletions, but not to the extent that they are blamed for. Go to another forum and see if some of you get away with what you do here.

First, MD your post is too long to be analyzed and thoughtfully considered. Your thoughts although clear,seem to wander. Please focus on one point of your criticism at a time so proper

consideration and responses can be given.

Your comparison between metal and rasta is not a good one. The two are not related as you said.

> **Quote:**
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> For now, let's just establish that Christafari uses the same principals as Christian bands who know their working field to be in the area of "black" metal and "satanism" and all that.

and then you say....

> **Quote:**
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> The first thing one has to ask, is: is the "satanic culture" of heavy metal to be compared with the culture of Rastafari?

No, metal and Rastafari should not be compared, but remember you are the one comparing them!

> **Quote:**
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> The metal church worships satan openly, blasphemy and killing and rape and nazism are virtues in that culture, a culture of death and destruction. True Rastas worship the Creator, JAH, treat their neighbors with respect, an renounce satan. So no, these cultures can not be compared to each other.

You are making a blanket statement regarding metal. There are various sects within metal just as there are within reggae. To be fair the majority of metal does NOT worship satan or partake in the activities you discussed. So therefore your assumption here is not valid which of course reduces the effect of any point you wished to make from it.

You also say 'metal' and then 'true rastas'. There are rastas who wear the label just like there are Christians who wear the label. I'm sure that 'Sean Paul' is no more a true rasta than 'Skid Row' worships satan.

> **Quote:**

> Then, just like with the "Christian Metal", it creates a possibility for "christian youths" to "enjoy" the music which is otherwise seen as heathen, pagan, wrong, and all that. This is nothing more then "playing world".

There is no such thing as Christian music, only Christian lyrics. How do you know that the first death metal band wasn't singing Christian lyrics in a garage band and the world stole it from us? Music is part creation and mostly immitation. Again, not all metal is affiliated with satan.

Quote:

> Ofcourse this all have nothing to do with spreading JAH Love and JAH JAH message to people in a desperate need of salvation.

You do know there are bands out there that seek to entertain and educate right? Most people would consider giving our brothers clean music to listen to a ministry. Most people also consider equipping brothers and putting Bible verses to music a ministry also. It always reaches someone.

Quote:

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reggae's effects on contemporary Christian youths aged 12-17 in white middle class america."

Quote:

> taking away the Name of Jah but keeping all the other aspects which I mentioned above isn't doing anything good to anyone.

Possibly. But notice the colors on the album covers, etc. Things changed. I can't answer for sure but my estimate is that simply changing 'Jah' may not have a huge effect one way or the other. It doesn't matter to the Christians but it may not please the Rastas. It was a decision, it's on tape for history to see now, and it stands on it's own. One of the concerns with 'Jah' was that people listened to Christafari music and it got copied into other arenas with Christian artists where they then used the term without thought. By getting rid of it the hope was to keep people from using it without thought. To lessen the impact of it's use in the scene by younger uneducated artists.

Quote:

> I also hope this will open an open debate without any oversensitive censors who do not understand what is said and taking honoust critique as "negative", or "loveless" or more of that.

It's fine to have an opinion, but when every opinion I've seen since I've been back here is a character assassination then steps must be taken. Negative and loveless are not fruits of any spirit we care to have here. As long as everyone participates with consideration for one another then everything is fine. As soon as it degenerates then we have a problem and we will use the authority given to us to correct them....but as you can tell we are VERY lenient. Don't expect that to continue forever.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
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Posted: 19 May 2004 07:48 Post subject: quote

i just read messians post and the ones that followed /.... but in regards to taking a worldly style of music ... and changing the lyrics to suit a christian audience., what is wrong with that? you are feeding your spirit with truth.... and the style of music , well satan can taint every style on the earth, but he did not create the styles of music .... **GOD DID** , and you say, well what about the worldly behavior ? well if a song is talking about raping someone , then yes we have a problem, people will want to do those things... but if the song's lyrics are biblically accurate to the way we should live, then what kind of behavior will result out of that??????

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1085 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 19 May 2004 13:51 Post subject: quote Funny to see that there were allready replies before the actual posting was put on the forum. No, don't take these things too personally. That's not the intention. Remember, there was a small conversation (http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?p=15225#15225) whether this should be discussed or not. This is a subject which should be aimed at getting overstanding. As far as the remarks concerning censorship, I am refering to JP's announcement that "admin and the moderators" will "clean up" the forum. That's all. It's of little use if you spend a few hours writing something and it then gets deleted. **blaminack wrote:** Jetze I will do my best to consider your words IF you can stop and consider mine. Ofcourse. This is why the thread is started... Let's not take things personally. At least I am not thinking about anyone personally. This all is more about overall and general effects caused by the philosophies as published by LOZ. Please do not take things personal. **Quote:** As far as the idea, of "reaching" Rastas, I have to ask you something. What will be the fate of Bobo Rastas? Are they as correct in their teachings as say 12 Tribes for example?

It's hard to say what the "fate" will be of anyone. I can only be happy and gratefull with what our Saviour has done for us. I can only live up to Yesus' Words. Who feels it knows it.

Quote:

> I must also ask what exactly is the Messian Dread technique of evangelism.

There is none.

Quote:

> I ask this because I see folks that take your word as the truth in the "wanna-be" rasta folks. You know the kind. I have seen a few folks that start liking your music and they want to emulate you... they send the email with the idea being.... "I have been Religion shopping, and I like to smoke Ganja, and I think dreads are kind of nifty, so how do I join?" Do they hear the Gospel of Christ?

Do you read emails that I receive? I rarely receive these kind of mails you "quote" so to speak. I do receive emails from people who know their Lord and Saviour, or want to get to know Him but think that it is only the white geezus if you know what I mean.

Quote:

> See I am hearing the idea of your critique but I have to ask what exactly are the working methods of Evangelism that you are finding usefull?

I have no "methods" or "techniques" of evangelizing other then sharing thoughts, praising JAH and not hiding where I get my strength from. Living, seen.....

Quote:

> I know that you are doing your best to wake up folks to Babylon, fine but what are you doing to reach those whose Rasta leanings have slipped them off into some New Age Doctrines, or Kemetism?

Most people read my meditations. I reason a lot too, on and offline. New Age is babylonian too, and I've written a lot about New Age.

Quote:

> If you offer a critque then please offer a better method.

Why? I'm not even convinced that one should speak about "methods" or "techniques" and all that. Is there a better "method" then being who you are in the place where you are?

Quote:

> I know that you personally believe in Christ as your Saviour but what of those that you come in contact with that have replaced Christ with a man?

Doesn't JAH know that? I do not know how JAH uses me. I just know that I got to know Yesus and I also got to know myself, and I stand where I stand. I see that JAH works through me sometimes so to speak buyt I couldn't tell you what JAH's "method" is so to speak.

Quote:

> You say that Selassie is an Icon of Christ, ok but what happens when some one says Jetze you are wrong, HIM is God? Do you go about showing them the truth in love?

Do you think I am going to say that Selassie is God? I hardly have these debates, really. When I have them I have them either with "rasta wannabees" or "christian anti-rastas" (to put it that way for clarity). I allways receive respect, even where people know that I do not believe Selassie to be JAH.

admin wrote:

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I am refering to JP's announcement that "admin and the moderators" will "clean up" the forum. That's all. It's of little use if you spend a few hours writing something and it then gets deleted. This has nothing to do with "false accusations" and all that. That is too heavy. Let's drop this vibe.... Let's discuss on the things that matter.

Quote:

> First, MD your post is too long to be analyzed and thoughtfully considered. Your thoughts although clear,seem to wander. Please focus on one point of your criticism at a time so proper consideration and responses can be given.

Iah, it was allready a summary, a summary of an introduction even. Yes they are long, but seven years of thinking is also a long time. That is how long I am thinking about this. You've committed yourself to being an "admin" (whoever you are), it would take you perhaps 20 minutes to read my posting. I took me longer to write. Don't you think this is worth spending the time?

Quote:

> No, metal and Rastafari should not be compared, but remember you are the one comparing them!

No. Aren't the Bob Beeman things I wrote correct? Aren't the "techniques" the same?

Quote:

> There is no such thing as Christian music, only Christian lyrics. How do you know that the first death metal band wasn't singing Christian lyrics in a garage band and the world stole it from us? Music is part creation and mostly immitation. Again, not all metal is affiliated with satan

You know I am refering to what is known as "CCM" or "Christian Contemporary Music", there is also a "Christian Music Industry". "Christian Labels" which are in fact owned by the bigger record companies labeled "secular". I also do not believe that JAH created metal music, sorry.

Quote:

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> They only show up that way because they are sorted alphabetically. Read nothing more than that into it. Still 1)we are born 2)we die. There's no absurdity there. Things change.

Yes, things change. And yes, it might be alphabetically, nevertheless it illustrates something. Yes, things change. I know. I am also happy that the "focus" of Christafari is no longer "the Rastas" and all that. But nevertheless, my points of critique remain. Why dropping the NAME of JAH and keeping all the "Rasta-ish symbology"? That IS in my eyes an absurdity.

> **Quote:**
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> > Don't speak with authority on this matter. You don't know all youths, you haven't done a study of these youths, and you haven't submitted to congress a 1500 page paper titled "gospel reggae's effects on contemporary Christian youths aged 12-17 in white middle class america."

No, I am writing an article which is allready labeled as "too long" in a forum which could be considered a "congress" too.

You write also that the covers change and all that. Okay. I am also rtefering to the answer to a question I asked Mark Mohr in an interview, I asked him if the "dropping" of the Name of "Jah" (it's hard even to write this sentence I tell ya) indicates dropping of the Rastafarian Symbology too and the answer was a big no no.

> **boomfire wrote:**
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> i just read messians post and the ones that followed /.... but in regards to taking a worldly style of music ... and changing the lyrics to suit a christian audience., what is wrong with that?

Nothing, if you see nothing wrong with it. Just don't call it "evangelizing".....

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One Love,

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 19 May 2004 14:54 Post subject: quote

Jetze when I speak of methods I am speaking of witnessing with purpose. We are in a Spiritual battle as I am sure you would agree. Battles require strategy. It is a figure of speach. Yes, merely living ones life in a Godly manner would be considered a tactic. But I have to ask where does this verse come into that idea....?

Mar 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

When you compare the idea of fitting in to the scene to living he scene, they are two differant things.

It is a matter of effectiveness.

Will I be able to relate to all people at all times? No! There are many who would not so much as give me the time of day until we connect on a level of commonality. That is what the idea of evangelism is about.

Looking at the Metal idea... for a second. Is it a sin to wear black clothes? Have long hair? Play guitar, and scream? No.

Let us look as the Reggae Scene in this light... is it a sin to wear Red, Green and Gold? Or is it a sin to "wear" dreadlocks? Or how about play Reggae Riddims? I don't think so.

In the FAQ there was a mention of the idea of using the non-sinful aspects of the culture to speak to the people of the culture. This is not about bigotry. Or racism, or Culture Robbery but rather a matter of

respect.

If we believe that God has commanded us to preach the Gospel then shouldn't we take some time and consideration of the culture? Every Missionary that had any success does this. They learn the language, the customs, what offends, what is taboo, what to eat, etc. and they opperate in that framework to do what they believe God has commanded.

If you believe that a person is on their way to hell because they have swallowed a lie do you think it is right to leave that alone? If so why? Is that really love?

I believe that we are to do our best to preach the Gospel, live the Gospel, and build the Kingdom of Christ. Is waering a hairstyle effective? In some cases. Is that same hairstyle going to be good for all people groups? No.

If some one makes a hypocrite out themselves by saying yes I am a Rasta, to reach a Rasta then I have to agree totally with you! But if a person is living an "Ital Livity" and believes that Jesus Christ is is the only way to salvation does not the Dreads and his lifestyle have validity?

Look at Ras B as an example. They man is living most every aspect of the Ital Livity and preaches the Gospel, in places that I would not able. So is he not right to do so?

Is the problem having the Dreads or saying that they are a tool? Here is why I ask. Is the offense in having Dreads or recognizing their impact? You of course realize that many have dreads today. Few are living the "dread" life that is associated with it. This makes me wonder if you do not do the same thing for other reasons. As a muscian you have worked with Rastas, do you think that you would have been sought out as much with out your dreads? I know you will say yes, it is based on your talent. But there are many good muscians who could have been chosen. You were asked aboe those and maybe some with even sharper skills based on something other than JUST talent. So is it not true that your dreads have bought you a measure of credibility? I know that this question will be hard to answer in totally honesty. So leave it unanswered if you like.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 May 2004 17:19 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> We are in a Spiritual battle as I am sure you would agree.

Yes. However, I do not think that what we discuss is directly the same as that battle. For yes it is ***spiritual*** and of that, Paulus teaches us that in this battle, we do not fight against flesh and blood neither do we have physical arms.

Quote:

> Mar 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Yes. And as you can read, I am debating whether what is described in my posting is an actual work-pout of the scripture you quoted.

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I know that Christafari "look(s) as the Reggae Scene in this light" and I think that it is wrong to do that. This is what I am debating too. Where the "Metal scene" might consist out of the things you mention, there is a difference between the "Metal Scene" and the "Satanists". Equally there is a difference between the "Reggae Scene" and the Movement of Rastafari. Ofcourse, I know there are many many musicians out there who play reggae and do the things you describe. But how do you think this is seen by Rastafari? One and One is Two. If you are like those in the "Reggae Scene" that use the symbology of a movement they are not related too, don't be surprised if you are also seen as such. And the question should be asked, perhaps, is it good to be seen as such? Especially when you are so closely related to the "church" and all that? Are you a good representant of Yesus Kristos if you are "a reggae

scener with the reggae sceners", who are using Rastafari only to get attention?

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Yes. However, in the definitions of Rastafari you can clearly read a description of a religion. And JAH said not that one has to be a budhist with the budhists. If you seriously believe Rastafari to be a religion that is not the religion of Yesus Kristos, you can not apply scriptures about a culture.

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It's not about that. Not at all.

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Dreadlocks is not a hairstyle and if you portray it as a hairstyle and when you wear "dreads" and explain it as a hairstyle you have allready "lost" the dreads you claim to reach out to ("you" figuratively). It is not a sign of respect to Rastafari or Dreadlocks to say that dreads is a hairstyle. Unless you want to be seen as someone who sees dreads as a lifestyle. Do you feel me?

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> Is the problem having the Dreads or saying that they are a tool?

Initially, I thought "the latter, the second". But I think both is also the problem. Wearing dreads in order to reach the dreads is the problem. One should wear the dreads because either Jah Jah told them to do it or because they choose to do it for Jah. But not "(having dreads) as a tool".

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I have a lot of problems with the words "buying credibility". So the answer is no. I am also never "sought out". I am who I am where I am. And that's it. You know, you gotta be who you ARE. And when you are who you are ("be you, yabby yabby you"), then you are how Jah Jah created you and you do the things which HE has layed out for you from the foundation of the earth.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 423
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 May 2004 17:51 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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You are contrary to your own words. JAH DOES tell many to wear them.

JAH uses ALL things as a "tool". I man am a "tool" to glorify him. **Are we the clay or the potter?**

Are you saying JAH only tells people to wear them in the "way" that YOU say?

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Admin
Administrator

Joined: 05 Nov 2001
Posts: 279
Location: Los Angeles, CA

Posted: 19 May 2004 22:54 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Funny to see that there were allready replies before the actual posting was put on the forum.

Partly because you discussed many things in your preamble and partly because you said you would follow this post with your critique...but it took 17 hours for that reply to come. You would be better to forget the preamble and get to the point.

Many of us don't have the time to read your stuff when it is that long. The same reasons I tell Mark to break up his newsletters into weekly or monthly small mailings. People don't have time to read a novellette. If it

spans more than one screen I usually ignore it unless I have a responsibility to read it.

I guess the crux of your post is that you don't like the techniques used by Mark or other CCM artists in evangelizing the world. Maybe you are right. Maybe they need to take a look into their own eyes and see if they are selling the gospel or if they are ligitimately evangelizing the lost.

However, there are two things that are standard.

1) The industry is currently massive and where there is that kind of money change will not come unless mammon leaves. The money is what attracted the big secular marketers....something which was mutually beneficial.

2) You aren't likely to change the mind of any of the Christafarians or just plain Christians that reside here on this site. These guys are solid and their minds are made up. It may be more beneficial to discuss these things with Mark directly, someone who could actually change things if he believes your ideas.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 May 2004 00:18 Post subject:

quote

warrior wrote:

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
>
> > all that (x times)

???????? What's wrong with pointing out to matter everybody knows by using the english words "and all that"? I hear many times that these words are utilized in this context.

warrior wrote:

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> You are contrary to your own words. JAH DOES tell many to wear them.

Where do I say JAH tells not many to wear them? I am saying that JAH tells people to wear the dreads because they are dread. And there are also people who choose to have dreadlocks as a sign of their livication to JAH. This sign is obviously not for the Iah's but for babylon. And dreads are not some kind of outward hairstyle which you can use to get in contact with people whi are dreadlocks from creation.

> **Quote:**
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> > JAH uses ALL things as a "tool". I man am a "tool" to glorify him. Are we the clay or the potter?

Exactly my point. We are not to use dreads as a tool. That is up to JAH.

> **admin wrote:**
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Then don't.....

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Maybe it needs to be discussed, in the open, in mutual respect but still discussed. Discussed by those people who have a sincere interest in the matter. No this ain't no "soundbyte" subject. Man, I only touched the surface.

Quote:

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"go with the flow"......

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> 1) The industry is currently massive and where there is that kind of money change will not come unless mammon leaves. The money is what attracted the big secular marketers....something which was mutually beneficial.

Sure.....

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No I do not think so. As your collegue Mike Roots explained to me, there is a link at the bottom of every faq which leads to the forum and says something like "discuss this subject". So if you have a hard time reading long posts as an admin and you want to make it easy for yourself by stating that long messages aren't going to interest you, then what I write isn't for you maybe. Then, on the other hand, if you are an "admin" then it is your work to read the postings and maybe just do your work.
I can also refer to Mike Roots' remarks when he says that there are a number of people who post here and they do have some influence.
I have a very long breath too. It's okay if we strongly disagree, it's not okay when these disagreements can not be discussed.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 May 2004 00:39 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

When a Rasta wears Dreads as a sign against Babylon are they not a tool in their chanting down of Babylon?

Yes they are. Now we may choose to use differant terms of description, but they are DOING something. If they are serving some sort of purpose they are a tool.

You seem to make the assumption that God DIDN"T tell Mark or Jah Pickney to have Dreads, or any of the other Gospel Reggae Artists that have worn them for long time before they were described as a witnessing tool.

Have you ever asked what they would do if God told them that dreads were not appropriate? Have you asked any of them if God has told them to grow them?

God told a Prophet to cook his food using human waste and then changed his mind and had the man use animal waste to witness to the people. Is it not totally with in reason to think that God COULD use dreads for His purpose and that the purpose may be differant than the one that He gave you?

Mark has a differant perspective about things than you... that is clear but I see a contridiction in your reasoning. It is personal liberty in your book in regards to ganja, but God cannot give another a differant reasoning than the one that he gave you?

Now before you say that I have changed in this matter, no I haven't. I still believe that God is no respecter of persons and doesn't waver. I am merely pointing out the contridiction in your reasoning and inconsistancy.

Blessins

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Admin
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Joined: 05 Nov 2001
Posts: 279
Location: Los Angeles, CA

Posted: 20 May 2004 01:41 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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> Then don't.....

I'm sure many other people have listened to this advice of yours regarding your own work and not read them. I'm simply suggesting that if you truly wish to engage in a discussion then keep it concise. Otherwise you are speaking into the wind....

Quote:

> So if you have a hard time reading long posts as an admin and you want to make it easy for yourself by stating that long messages aren't going to interest you, then what I write isn't for you maybe. Then, on the other hand, if you are an "admin" then it is your work to read the postings and maybe just do your work.

God knows what my work is, not you. There are differences between an Administrator and a Moderator. The admin is not compelled to read all posts, but he does take care of the software, the administrative tasks and banning users at the advice of a moderator. This should lead you to understand how forgiving our moderators are because I haven't received a banning suggestion from them yet. I read posts out of my own interest or when I feel a need to - like now. Please note that the last portion of the quote would be considered a character attack and won't be tolerated. If it is a language issue please clarify but from an english point of view it conveys sarcasm and bossiness.

> **Quote:**
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> It's okay if we strongly disagree, it's not okay when these disagreements can not be discussed.

Actually it's fine when disagreements can't be discussed....or should I say discussed at length. When there is nothing to gain from the disagreement then it weighs down all who are involved. From my point of view, practically every post in here has been a disagreement at length. Then they degenerate into a character attack, they leave their original thought and become a life of their own. They continue for pages and no one is convinced of the other persons position. This does not make sense. Brothers discuss and learn from each other most often. Enemies argue most often. Are you a brother of these people or an enemy of them?

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Author	Message
mikeroots Forum Veteran Joined: 13 Nov 2001 Posts: 827 Location: Torrington, CT USA	Posted: 20 May 2004 03:35 Post subject: quote Hello guys- I hope we can keep the vibes cool and respectful. The topic is a multi-faceted one but if I may sum up, there seem to be a couple of key questions from Messian Dread. (1) The LoZ definition or characterization of Rasta. (2) The effectiveness or ineffectiveness of utilizing certain Rasta or "reggae culture" symbolism and imagery for the purpose of helping to minister to reggae-loving non-believers. I think there is more, but I will comment on these for the moment. I think it is true that the LoZ definition of Rasta is either uninformed or outdated in that there are indeed some such as Messian Dread (though I don't believe he calls himself a Rasta), Ras B (Brenton) and others who embrace Rasta livity and culture yet profess faith in the Lord Yeshua. There are some who fit the definition of the Selassie-worshipping Rasta but clearly not all and to paint with such a broad brush in this matter is not (or no longer) correct. I understand what you say in that Rasta is characterized as a "religion" rather than a lifestyle when in reality that may be untrue. I think the understanding must be that Rasta does not consist of a universal code in terms of belief or livity. This is a crucial point. To the other subject, as others have indicates, there has been a change

in presentation, if you will, for Mark and Christafari. The "Gravity" album isn't even totally reggae, the name JAH is not used and the red-yellow-green colour scheme is not used. I think that Mark desires to appeal to a wider cross section of people and I know his motives are good. I think you can see this through "The Gathering". The man needs room to grow and has the right to change his focus as the Spirit may lead and also should have the liberty to evolve as an artiste. Jetze, I see where you are coming from as you speak of evangelizing out of living- presenting your body as a living sacrifice. It is the most powerful way to share the good news of Yeshua. I would agree with what you say in "be yourself"- absolutely.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 124

Posted: 20 May 2004 14:41 Post subject: quote

blaminak,

I am responding to your challenge to produce a time when a post of mine was deleted.

forum-end times chat

thread titled- "deleted'

original poster-brian

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date-april 5th 2004

A comment was erased of mine directed to Christ warrior. You will notice in his post after mine that he repies "Please dont use profanity. Read your Bible,it says. I really doubt you were saying donkey." I was talking about what you do when you assume how you make a "donkey" of U and me . My comment was erased because somebody ASSUMED I was using profanity

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
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Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 20 May 2004 17:12 Post subject: quote

Christafari = a Joke Name to me..sorry if i offend people, but it's a name made for Marketing reasons it seems to me.... the two names shouldnt even cross paths representing one another unless worshipping other God's is ok with Christ in these days...of everything i had read, there has been nothing by either Haile Selassie aka Rastafari or Jesus Christ that would tie the two names together other then to make some money off a false religion in Christs name by mixing it with a Fake God Rastafari,, hence you get the name Christafari...it for sure upset Haile Selassie for using him in such a manner and Selassie was alive today he would shun the name Christafari... you might as well name the band christaflintstones cause it has bout that much basis..... hope ya dont delete the post but where is the Honesty??? Be Yourself and Make Blessed Music, to use dead peoples name who called themselves the lion of judah mixing with the everlasting life of Christ is a bit Hypocritical dont ya think???? just a question and opinion,,hope ya dont delete my post...the trust deserves to be sought after...peace and love to all

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Admin
Administrator

Joined: 05 Nov 2001
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Location: Los Angeles, CA

Posted: 20 May 2004 18:15 Post subject: quote

Just a couple things...

No one should "fear" having their posts deleted. We don't delete opinion as such unless it crosses the line of profanity, slander or character assassination, or is in opposition to Scripture after fair warning. Your post does none of those things. No fear.

Because Mark isn't here to respond I just wanted to post the FAQ link to the "About the name" FAQ in case anyone hasn't read it to clarify his position on it.

http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da33020000330033/Christafari+-+The+Name.html

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 20 May 2004 21:09 Post subject: quote

mikeroots wrote:

> a couple of key questions from Messian Dread.
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> (1) The LoZ definition or characterization of Rasta.

Exactly. This is one of the most crucial aspects, it has been admitted in this forum that the definition does not "cover" all Rastafarians vut "for the sake of clarity" the child is being thrown away with the bathing water, with the immediate result coming in the form of ignorance and anti-Rasta stance which is not in any way related to the Love that Yesus told us to have.

Quote:

> (2) The effectiveness or ineffectiveness of utilizing certain Rasta or "reggae culture" symbolism and imagery for the purpose of helping to minister to reggae-loving non-believers.

Yes and no. I have indeed described an "inefectiveness" as it is hard to imagine that someone who has admittedly only has dreads to "be like them", I have descriubed what I consider to be "fruits" of it too. But also I question in the core the usage of the "all things fe all men" argument that comes along with it.

This has also briefly been discussed in this forum, where I posed "being a satanist for the satanists". To my suprise this was taken seriously too....

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Yes, this definition does more damage then good. Really. No I do not call myself a Rasta still I am called by that name by Rastas and I do not mind that at all. I also say Jah Rastafari because it means Jah the Head

of Creation. It has never been a problem in my contacts with (other) Rastas that I do not believe Selassie to be JAH. Selassie is a symbol of the fact that there is a true Christianity, not the babylonian kind that says black is created by geezus to serve the white man. That's why it is important to give respect to Selassie instead of saying all the time that he's not Jah Incarnated in the flesh. Because Selassie knows, Jah Jah knows, and who searches for the truth shall find it.

The definition has to be changed in my perception. It has been unchanged for too many years now. It is crucial and neccesary.

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Very, very crucial indeed. For when you display Rastafari as a "religion" rather then a culture, you (a) can not apply "all things to all men", (b) expect people who get their info from you to be knowledgeable and thus will they be "exposed" as ignorant. (c) you do not acknowledge the work of the Hola Spirit within the movement of Rastafari without the "church". To name but three things.

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> To the other subject, as others have indicates, there has been a change in presentation, if you will, for Mark and Christafari.

This is true, but I would like to know more about this. I remember to have asked MM who the "hypocrites" were in his lyrics, and I wonder if these have also played an influencing role....
The name Christafari is ofcourse still there, and the change in presentation would have been more complete with a name-change.
I understand completely that this is all a difficult situation.

> **Quote:**
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> The man needs room to grow and has the right to change his focus as the Spirit may lead and also should have the liberty to evolve as an artiste.

Absolutely.

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> Jetze, I see where you are coming from as you speak of evangelizing out of living- presenting your body as a living sacrifice. It is the most powerful way to share the good news of Yeshua. I would agree with what you say in "be yourself"- absolutely.

Yes, this has to do with, I think, the scripture that says that Jah has prepared good works for us to walk in from the foundation. When we are then who we are (that is: how JAH our Creator intended us to be), isn't is so that we automatically would walk in these good works?

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> Now, you've yet to really comment on the point which Paul spoke of in becoming like others in as much as you might win their souls for Christ. I know you have remarked about this in other discussions, but I don't think you have here yet.

I think it's not so that "all things to all men" would apply to other religions. That would be like being a budhist for the budhists. So then if you portray Rastafari as another religion you can not do apply that scripture.
It is obvious, that Paulus speaks about cultures. Like when I go to the UK, for example, I have to eat fish and chips with the british, something like that. Paulus says do not impose your culture, but adjust yourself. Kind of like what the socalled missionairies who came to teach socalled civilization with christ, but then the opposite.

However, even if one sees that Rastafari is not a religion (because of all the religious differences between the Rastafarians), one should not "wear dreads to win the dreads" as it is an insult to a dread. A true insult. Only wolves dressed as sheep, that is how you will be seen an perhaps rightfully so. When someone has dreads in order to get in contact with me as a dread too, I would then advise this person to be himself and cut the dreads off because it is not a genuine reason to wear dreads. You can not play like you are a Rasta only to deny you're a Rasta in front of the church and then pretend you're a Rasta in order to win the Rasta. It is not real. It is fake. A play. A pose. A theatre.

Quote:

> This is the approach used by Christafari, though as I said, I see a shift. Do you see Christafari growing in more of a direction or approach which you agree with?

This is hard to tell for me. That is partly why this conversation is so important to me too.

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> You are questioning the use of embracing of certain elements associated with Rasta as effective means of ministry, correct? I would see your point if you say the perception of some (or the very people trying to be reached) is that the imagery and symbolism are "costumes" when they themselves embrace these things as part of their natural identity.

Yes, but it is not so much about the "effectiveness" but rather about "genuiity". I think it is better to come with suit and tie if that is you than that you "play dread". Especially because that "playing dread/rasta" is something which is done in the "Reggae Scene" very very often.

Quote:

> If someone dresses up to do a play where they portray a disciple of Yeshua, can't this be a teaching or ministry "tool"?

Ofcourse.

Quote:

> I think the question is, what is the difference between a heartical embrace of certain things versus the adaption of them for the purpose of ministering.

Yes. What impression of "ministering" do you give to someone when you "minister" him by taking his looks and calling it looks? A double disrespect if you think about it. And do not think that people do not feel it.

Quote:

> An individual fitting either description can be effective, but they may not equally have the "street credibility", so to speak, if one appears as them yet the appearance is discerned to be a costume. It's all in how you look at it and what one responds to is the genuineness of someone's heart beyond the outward appearance.

True. And for that you do not need a costume. And the "credibility" can not be manipulated, can not be "strategically planned", can not be "faked into reality". Just be who you are.

Quote:

> BTW, I'm not a LoZ moderator if that's what you meant by "colleague", but I do write an occasional music review.

Oops. My mistake.....

Quote:

> Beyond all, let's remember to exhort, encourage and build up on another even as we seek to understand and learn. I think it's crucial we be allowed to discuss things but we need to take care that it doesn't become destructive when it certainly doesn't need to.

In other words: let's acknowledge each other's integrity and motivation.

I also agree with the other Dubman until a certain degree, that the name of Christafari is also portraying something to certain people which, how shall I put it, will not give them the impression that here is a genuine thing going on. Besides, to change Rastafari into Cristopher (Columbus) isn't that smart too. I do not agree with the other Dubman that he portrays Rastafari as another religion but let's not discuss that here as such.

Admin points out to the Faq entry. I will post the interview I held with Mark Mohr exactly a year ago under here....

CHRISTAFARI: "NO MORE SONGS ABOUT JAH"

US-based Christian Reggaeband Christafari recently made an announcement on their website which could stir up both the Christian and the Rastafarian community until a great extend. Their new album

“Gravity” marks a shift in their approach and target audience, as they explain in their section of Frequently Asked Questions on their website.

The most significant change is that Christafari will no longer be using the Name “JAH” when they sing about the Most High.

On the Christafari website, founder Mark Mohr gives two reasons for this decision. The first one is that Christafari will no longer be targeting their music primarily to a Rastafarian and Reggae loving audience. Mohr claims that the Name of Jah is mentioned only once in the Bible and that he wants to “focus my ministry approach on the numerous other names for God that are found far more frequently and would make our message even more clear to the listener”. Whether this analogy means that Christafari simply wants to reach a wider and bigger audience or that there were other reasons too remains unclear.

The second reason is presented as the most important one and probably is. On the same page, Mohr explains why he used the Name of Jah in previous releases: “You see, we have always used Jah as a culturally sensitive way to reach Rastas, (and still will individually), yet so many young gospel reggae artists are using our same ministry approach in trying to reach a completely different audience--the Christian church.” Mark Mohr is worried that the frequent usage of the Name of Jah in Gospel music will lead into a situation in which it becomes unclear Who actually is meant when the Name is expressed. He sees Christafari’s leading role in the Christian Reggae and World as a reason to set an example to his fellow artists and writes: “When I started Christafari and Lion of Zion ent., my primary goal was to see the Rasta church become Christian, yet one of the regrettable fruits of my labour, (due to uneducated imitation by other artists) is the Christian church becoming more Rasta. This was never my intention.”

Christafari’s decision will undoubtedly cause a lot of debate in the Rastafarian and Christian community. The message of their website raised some questions and the Dubroom asked them to Mark Mohr of Christafari:

DUBROOM: “Does this mean you are also going to change the name Christafari and the usage of Rastafarian cultural expressions such as the

flag et cetera as they are installed with the same reasoning in mind as the usage of the Name of Jah?"

CHRISTAFARI: "Absolutely not. The name Christafari means three things in three different languages, of which the primary is the Greek definition for "Christ Bearers." Whether you look at our name in English, Amharic or even Spanish, it is very clear WHO we represent. That is all that I am trying to do—urge artists to clarify. The days too short for enigmatic music that merely entertains and speaks of an ambiguous God that could be interpreted a host of different ways."

DUBROOM: "Can you specify "universalists" and can you give an impression of the concept of "God" in universalist circles?"

CHRISTAFARI: "I go into full detail on this in the 13th day of Gravity (that will be posted at lionofzion.com only on June 1st). A portion of my commentary reads:

"In 2001, after the tragic fall of the twin towers in NY City America turned to God, and weekday church attendance reached a pinnacle as scared and confused citizens flooded into churches. In the midst of adversity we had truly become one nation under God."

"But then I remember on the 14th of September, I was sitting at home flipping through the channels on TV, and I came across a church service (it was on almost every station). It was a memorial service for 9/11 in Washington DC and in this cathedral, each of the major religions was represented by their own spiritual leader, each behind his own pulpit and each one was speaking of and praying to an ambiguous God—a God that many believe is the same Lord that just goes by different names depending on which nation you are from."

"It is my opinion that there was only one clear religion being preached that day and it was blatant universalism—the whole many names one god theory. You know, the all rivers flow into the same sea principle? This concept, even in the simplest of forms doesn't agree with the foundational doctrines of Christianity, Catholicism, Judaism, or even Islam. For according to each of their texts there is only one God— It can't be both this religion and that belief are right (for they are inherently contradictory). It has to be either this one, or that one is the

only way. So while I was encouraged to see such a tremendous unity during this tumultuous time, I was disgusted by the blurring of lines and revelatory compromise that was taking place."

Inspired by this, I wrote the chorus "Christ is the Only Way..." If it had been 4 years ago, I probably would have penned, "Jah is the only way," but given the present apocalyptic setting, and the overwhelming tolerance in the world for all religions except "Narrow Minded Christianity," I refused to veil my references of Christ any longer.

Let's face it, in this secular society, using the name Jah can often be the easy way out. It is not as offensive as the name Jesus and much less censored. Do you honestly think that a band like POD would have gotten as much respect in the mainstream if they said Christ in place of Jah? Probably not. This name is the stumbling block for all mankind, yet it is the fruit of all true salvation."

DUBROOM: "Is the following summary correct: "We're not gonna sing the name of Jah anymore because the fruit of such a thing is the 'Rastafarization' of Christianity"?"

CHRISTAFARI: "Yes, it is correct, depending on your interpretation. I will use the name when singing my past songs on stage and when personally ministering to a Rasta. I have not used this name in my recent recordings as an attempt to set a positive example for the plethora of young aspiring artists that I teach at music seminars in places like Trinidad and Tobago or Barbados, who think the best way to start off every song is by singing Jah, Jah, Jah, Jah... Now keep in mind, these guys are not dreads, nor do they know the Rasta culture intimately. They are not using this term to reach the Rastas, but to stroke the sheep. If they ever do talk about Selassie or Rastas, it is in a disrespectful manner that may make Christians laugh, but is at the expense of the ones that I am trying to save. Seen?

DUBROOM: "Can you specify this "Rastafarization" (for lack of a better word)? How does it reveal itself and how can it be recognized?"

I would liken it to a secular urban R&B artist doing a token black gospel song when their lifestyle does not follow the message that they are

singing. They simply sing the song in that style to add more diversity to their repertoire, not because of a conviction of the heart. I wear my dreads, sport ites gold and green, and use the name Jah so that I can become all things to all men—to reach the Rastas. This is not a fashion style or a ploy to sell more records. Yet there are some that view it as such. They try and sound just like artists like Capleton (minus a few words and there) and take this sound to the local foursquare gospel church! Whereas my intention is to go straight to the Bobo Shanti commune (and I have).

I just think that there is a lot of unnecessary cross-pollenation going on that is simply causing more confusion. You must understand that your typical protestant church and your regular Rasta Nyabinghi are two completely separate audiences and each require their own unique approach when it comes to ministering the Lord's Word."

DUBROOM: "Thank you for the interview."

CHRISTAFARI: "I will also post these questions and answers in the Christafari forum because I feel that they will answer a lot of questions."

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari

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Posted: 20 May 2004 23:51 Post subject: quote

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Ok cool, I stand corrected in that I had not deleted any of your posts. I had really forgoten it, it was so long ago. But I do remember it now, and what I did what not censorship but keeping the forum a "clean" place for all. Sorry if you disagreed but I explained myself and you were more than welcome to post the entire thing with the profanity.

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How can there be such a situation caused by calling on the Name of the Creator? Isn't the fact that JAH is a biblical Name of God (God comes, like Allah, from names/words of idols did you know that?) a thing that binds us all? Shouldn't we look at that? At the fact that we want to follow the Creator though Kristos? Why then stopping the Name of JAH? Did I write that good? "Stopping the Name of JAH"? Yes I did. Don't you see how wrong this is? It's like "admitting" that only Rasta knows JAH. That's what's going on....

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I again agree with the other Dubman that the Name Christafari (TM, did you know that?) should be changed as well....

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One Love,
Messian Dread.

The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 May 2004 03:29 Post subject: quote

It seems at times that you just ignore what was said so that you can get right to presenting your own premade idea.

That is not reasoning, that is preaching.

Now, I will totally concede the point that Christafari was not the greatest name choice, as a matter of fact I think the name was at first Lion of Zion, but I don't know where the name change took place.

I would have prefered Lion of Zion. But I was not asked.

I am wondering, something here, both GFD, and Messian Dread, is the purpose of these critiques to help them in their goals, or just vent your views of what is wrong with them? Because there is much value in knowing that. If your idea is to help them with their vision in acheiving what God has set out to do then GREAT! If you are not giving this with that purpose in mind then please explain exactly your heart in this matter.

Now I know that sometimes to build something alot of work is needed to get to the bedrock so that the building can commence. So is the idea to get to the bed rock and build up or just to tear down what has already been built?

Tearing them down to rebuild them in your own image is wicked. I hope that is not the point, because that would be very close to the thing that you are saying they are doing.

So please clarify the heart that you have in this, before we go on.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 May 2004 03:38 Post subject: quote

Could you please go into the contents of the critique instead of questioning the critisizing?
We've been past this. I have repeatly stated why I write what I write. Look at the discussion I had with Mike Roots and check yourself too. We've been past this. So could you please go into the contents of the critique instead of questioning the critisizing?
This is a distraction what you are doing. The points I make I make them from my heart, a heart that loves JAH and does not want to please man. We've been past this. So could you please go into the contents of the critique instead of questioning the critisizing?
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 May 2004 04:19 Post subject: quote

I have read this thread and never saw a place that you answered it other than saying these topic need to be debated.

What exact purpose is behind making them debatable?

Again is the purpose to help or to hinder?

This is by no means a distraction, it allows you to show your heart. You should jump at the chance to express how this is pleasing to God.

If the purpose of this is to help them fulfil their vision that they believe God has given them, then by all means critize away. The rebuke of a friend is a good thing. But if your intent is just venting of your own views then there is nothing to talk about.

I have answered EVERY single point that you have brought up. Yet you have not answered mine. Please go back and answer my questions and then this would be reasoning.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 May 2004 04:27 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:
Jetze I reread the interview that you posted and I would like to hear your comment on this paragraph of it...

I wouldn't know how using a Name of God is wrong in any case. It's kind of like stopping prophesying when prophesies actually fullfill...

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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Using the name of God had little to do with the point of what was said. That spin on the idea is off.

The point was that he saw a bunch of youth Dancehall DJs not giving proper respect and set out to correct it, because it is a hinderance to have guys mocking Rastas, knowing nothing of Rasta teachings while at the same time using the Name Jah.

In the past you had contempt that he used the Name Jah, so when he decided to quit doing that, it doesn't make you happy either.

So if he was to change the name of the Band to something else you surely would be saying that it was because he was a hypocrite... give me a break. Just admit that he can do nothing good in your eyes, then we can see where the perspective is...

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 21 May 2004 05:06 Post subject: quote

to answer your question blam... i dont even know the guy mark or anyone in christafari unless i do and dont know i do.... i never even listen to their music because of how much the name turn me off..and i know never judge a book by the cover, but when the cover turns ya off how much better could the message be?? People Should be Careful How They Represent their Spirituality because it leads to Mass Confusion... i got not a 1 thing against any member of that band, i just think the name is Contrary to Christian Beliefs and uses the name of Rastafari for a Marketing Scheme...again that is only how it appears to me, im not sayin everyone thinks that or you wouldnt have a fan base....im sorry if i have offended anyone with my comments as i would only hope it would help those in Charge of

	Changing the name of Christafari to something else for the betterment of Christian Music and the Gospel Itself..just to much mix up from what i see..and if i can see that, how many more you think can as well?..especially those who know and Love Reggae Music.
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Author	Message
coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 21 May 2004 08:26 Post subject: quote Well.. good topic.. good debate.. MD just as a comment, the Admin's point about keeping a topic somewhat concise holds relevance because often times I want to post to topics but have no time because there is so much to comment on. I enjoy reading all of your posts but sometimes summing things up is a good way to get a direct answer quickly. I had a hard time understanding the beginning of the post... anywayz.. to the topics.. About the name Christafari: Anyone checked into Mark's definition of Christoforos meaning followers of Christ? GFD in my opinion you have negated your own words by admitting that you have not listened to any of their music or really cared to understand where they are coming from. This is no attack or anything but how can you expect your reasonings to have any validity? That's like me saying: *"I don't like the name "GFD Music" I think it's nonesense and represents nothing. I have not listened to his music and don't care to because that name turns me off so I hope he would consider changing his name because it offends me."* It's just not constructive. About using the name Jah: MD, I have echoed this before in another thread and I don't know if you remember, but I understand where you are coming from with that concern. I see the change out of neccessity for clarity in what Christafari believe and stand for. For me personally it's a non-issue although when speaking with certain individuals I can understand how some people are confused between Rasta and Christian beliefs.

Before I used to get alot of emails from my website asking me personally If I was a rasta or if I was a Christian. That's because the way I wrote it I never CLARIFIED what belief I chose to associate myself with. I don't think it's fair to read all that I have written and then ask me "well, what do you believe?" My faith in Christ does not dictate that I should have to "choose" anything but Christ. But for some odd reason people just did not get it, some still won't. So I chose to add one sentence to my site that stopped all the many emails on the same topic from coming: "I am a Christian." Sometimes I feel as if people don't care to read the whole story like you said earlier and just want to fast-forward to "Okay, so what is the answer? Which one has the true doctrine? Or which one should I believe?" I see the choice that Mark made to clarify himself as a Christian and nothing more. It can only be an offense to someone if they did not understand what Christafari was all about in the beginning anyway. If anyone knew anything about the band they would know that they have always been and still are a Christian Reggae Band.

To me Jesus asks us all the time to be a light of his testimony. Some have referred to associations of Red Gold and Green and Reggae music, and the implications of a Christian misrepresenting themselves under those physicalities. To me reggae music and the colors of such represent a universal idea to all those that primarily have a love and affection for Reggae music Period. You can call someone who choses to wear locks and support red gold and green for the wrong reasons superficial but then so is the man who walks around in a $1000 suit who is nothing but a shmuck.

Basically what I'm saying is that when I first heard about Mark and Christafari I saw a young Christian kid that was a huuge reggae affectionado who even went through a time period of considering professing to be a Rastafarian (this is what i interpreted from what i have read, not to be misconscrued as the truth) but for who's God's calling it was to play Christian Reggae Music. I have seen alot of maturity in the looks and lyrics and content of his music. To me people choose to see what they want to see. If you see the music, the colors, the packaging, the marketing etc. as a "front" to make money then that's all that Christafari is going to mean to you. But I have always known Mark to be a Christian first and to me that's how Christians should be living anyway wether they choose to dress in a suit and tie or sporting red gold and green.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 21 May 2004 08:41 Post subject: | quote

One more thing about change: I think that people get too used to one idea or one way of looking at things. To me I see Jah as never-changing just as his word is never changing but at the same time this earth turns and revolves and we have seasons and feelings and emotions that change so we as humans don't know what true consistency is do we? Our christian life is based on a choice to follow God's word and to allow him to lead us where he wants us to follow. (Versus walking in the dark) I think a better question to ask Mark about using the name Jah is that wether or not he was led by God to make that change. I dunno.. for me it's still a non-issue but I am not as involved in ministry as he is.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 May 2004 11:33 Post subject: | quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
> Using the name of God had little to do with the point of what was said.

I do not agree with that.

> **Quote:**
> knowing nothing of Rasta teachings while at the same time using the Name Jah.

Using the Name of JAH, calling on His Name, is never wrong. The wrongness is is the ignorance about Rasta. And if people are ignorant, why aren't they taught?

I'll not go into the other remarks and no I do not dislike Mark Mohr.

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One Love,
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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 May 2004 12:33 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

teaching young Christian Dancehall Artists about Rasta doctrines does little. The point is why should these youth refer to God as Jah when they have not their whole life, because in the West Indies there is a stigma against it? It is the same thing that you seem to have against Mark. If Jah is used out of sincerity then great use that name all you want! But if you are just trying to sound like Sizzla and Capleton to "reach" their fans then folks see through it. So the reason really boils down to the fact that he was indeed seing a point behind some of your argument. So let's move on.

To help or hinder, is still the real question. I am reminded of Nehemiah. If you are here to build then get some bricks, but if not then stop throwing them.

You said that you have no dis-like of Mark. Good, but that still does not really answer if your intent is to strengthen his vision or to hinder it. Maybe you have not fully answered this for your self, and that would be understand able.

I am not against reasoning these topics, but I am for knowing why we are doing it. This is not distraction, it is context, and perspective. Knowing the exact purpose of surgery is much better than exploritory surgery every time.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 May 2004 13:09 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

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Because JAH is a much more valid Name for our Creator then "God". Ofcourse it is neccesary to teach people about the culture of Rastafari. why then are there FAQ entries with this definition of Rastafari? Would the situation that caused Christafari to no longer "use" the Name of JAH (with exceptions) have been there when with the Reggae teaching also a propper teaching about Rastafari would have been conducted?

I think that the fruits we discuss now, could have been prevented. I am happy that the fruits are recognized and something is tried to be done against it (excuses for my grammar).

Quote:

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It's obvious that we do not approach this from the same side. **I am not you, and perhaps when you would be posting like I do you would do it for some negative reason but I am not you.** No I do not dislike Mark Mohr, no I do not question his identity as a Brother in Kristos, no I am not dissing. Why must I allways say that in every post?

My intent is to strengthen my own perception on this. Christafari is a phenomena that intrigues me, and I am also confronted many times by people who have questions and remarks concerning Christafari. I am observing and asking questions.

It's kind of simple, really. The things I write are my genuine thoughts. I am looking for genuine answers. Sometimes the answers I get I allready thought that too and therefore I have a follow-up question. All the questions I ask I ask them to myself too. I am asking the questions in order to get a better picture in my head.

I hope that you now know that I am not into what you think I am into. When I would have something personal against Mark Mohr I would fe real discuss that in private. So where we might not understand each other many times,

can't we just acknowledge each other's genuinity? If I would be a Christafari-basher or however you call it I would have done so in a massive way allready many times.

So can we now move on and deal with the real issues?

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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burt_nader
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2003
Posts: 131
Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon

Posted: 21 May 2004 13:22 Post subject: quote

I don't see what the big deal is with the name Christafari. It is obviously a spin off Reggae and Rasta but glorifys Christ. You can say that Salassie would not approve, but if you look at what Reggae and the whole Rasta movement has done with his image and person in the first place, he might actually be all for it. They are one of the few people in the world who actually are trying to set that path str8!!! Go burn up the false reggae prophets if you wanna burn some fire.

Furthermore , by saying you never listened to any of their music makes your whole argument even more silly. Throwin out the baby with the bathwater. Of all the music in the world to burn fire on, I would think a christian reggae band would be the last thing for any christian, unless you think reggae riddims are from the devil or something, which I know isnt the case.

peace

From my own unique perspective.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 423
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 21 May 2004 16:24 Post subject: quote

burt,

Good post-true words!

Trod On!!!!

Coolpoete,

Your words are always insightful and very in depth.

Blessins'.

Blaminack,

Continue in love as you always seem to do.

Blessings in Yeshua everytime.

MD,

It is encouraging to see the way JAH uses you.

JAH word is a double edged sword and you are always able to use BOTH edges!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 21 May 2004 17:41 Post subject: quote

i still say the name christafari is lame far as all that goes.. and is nothing but a way to make money on Rastafari's name & fame... Rastafari is more Famous then Jesus is in reggae music....so why not combine the 2 names and make a buck.... and thats how i see it... im sorry if its not that way...Christafari = JesusSelassie ..... and if you cant see the Hypo-crazy in that then again you have my regards....GFD = Ganjah Fyah Dub, We Promote the Use of Marijuana to the Fullest and if you dont like that then dont listen to us... i could care less...one thing i do know is i dont go around tryin to make money from mixing Jesus Christ and Haile Selassie like they is peanut butter and jelly....call it what you will, to me it's just wrong... if you seen a record at the store with a pentagram and 666 written on it but the name said Christasatan..would you give it a try ?..or would sight from the beginning that it is mislead and carry on?? either ya seemie or ya dont....blesss

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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 21 May 2004 22:56 Post subject: quote

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1st of i never mentioned Selassie's name, you did.... i just said as my Quote Above states..dont put words in my mouth nor say i am mislead after do so... you say i talk but i don't know.. what dont i know? how would you know what i know from what i dont know? who made you judge? i merely asked a Question and you have gotten carried away with your judgemental thoughts..how am i mislead? where are all of these idea's coming from in your head?? i never said what you said i did....you should come again, and come with love next time... blesssss

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 21 May 2004 23:00 Post subject: quote

and not only that i just made a great post Celebrating the Life of Jesus Christ by Haile Selassie for everyone here...so don't go saying im dissing selassie when i never mention his name 1 time in regards to your comments and any posts i have made about Selassie has been about how much of a Outstanding Christian Leader he was, and also that he is not God....why dont you read what i have said and show me where im wrong and mislead since you have called it out.... id like to know

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 May 2004 23:50 Post subject: quote

GFD,

I think that you should reconsider your stand on the name Christafari being a basis for making money. I have no problem with the other part of your reasoning on this by the way, but the money making deal is way off.

First of all, do you really think that you were the only Reggae fan that took the approach that you did? Saying they wouldn't listen to them just because they mixed the two?

Many Hardcore Reggae fans were offended by it, Messian Dread and yourself are just a tip of that iceberg.

On the other hand the Conservative Chruch folks rejected the name mix too, but because they think it is too close to the worldly. They don't want the Gospel presented in any way that takes them out of their own idea of what it should sound like.

So together the sales are quite low in comparison to bands with much less talent that are more mainstream. I hope you understand the double negative involved in this in referance to the name Christafari being a money scheme. They have not grown to the level that they could under a more palatable name. With a name like Lion of Zion I think they would have had a much wider fan base, as the majority of the music is better in quality than alot the recycled riddims of secular Reggae and is differant enough from the southern Gospel mindset

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So no this was not a money making deal, if it was it was a ways off.

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Forum Veteran

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Posts: 129
Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 21 May 2004 23:58 Post subject: quote

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agreed fully blam..... im not bashing them as much as it seems i am but you can't talk about this stuff without it being offensive cause in the end your tellin someone their name is unrighteous and unbecoming as Christians and nobody wants to hear that, so... if i seem to give that impression im sorry but i dont know how else to say it... and your probally right, the name has hurt them more then it has helped them, so why on that fact alone, change the name and get on with it?? why drag a dead horse in the muddd??

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1928
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 22 May 2004 00:08 Post subject:

Now that I have no answer for, other than name recognition maybe, but I think there is a move away from it happening. On the last CD that came out the tittle was Mark Mohr and Christafari. I would not be suprised to see a CD somewhere in the future under just Mark Mohr and the "__________". That would be a way to wean the fans off of the name, and transition them to another. But on the other hand with so much material ALREADY out under Christafari no matter what they could change the name too there is still that body of work.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 May 2004 10:56 Post subject:

Let's go a little deeper into the name issue. It's obvious, that when Christafari would not sound like Rastafari this name would never have been used. There is a philosophy behind thinking off a name like this.

This philosophy you can see it many times in the "Christian Metal" scene. Often, in the heavy metal culture, the bands have antichrist names. Christians who are working in that area, and I have nuff respect for them, often take something from such an antichrist name and then "christianize" it so to speak.

Where in the heavy metal world, this is a perfectly overstandable "method", I disagree when this is done when it comes to Rastafari.

Why is it overstandable in one case and not in the other?

Because, when you "christianise" certain things, you are like "reversing" things. You are showing that you are not on their way, and where they like to provoke Christians by showing that they're anti-christ, you are actually provoking them by showing in the names that the Most High is the Conqueror.

But when you do the same in Rasta, you will give Rasta the same vibe as the antichrists. It will immediatly create an "us vs them" vibe.

If you change a name like "Satanical Music Rockers" into "Yesus Music Rockers", you send a message with that. You say: "I am not a

satanist, I follow the Saviour". In the case of the satanical rockers, this is very neccesary. It is crucial to seperate yourself from those who are praising satan by stating that they do the opposite of what they are supposed to do, namely to worship the Creator.

Rastafari means "Head of Creation" or "Head Creator", and ultimately refers to the Only One Who Is Rightfully To Carry That Title, and that is ofcourse JAH Himself. Even those that believe Selassie to be Jah. They would not worship Selassie if they would not think that he is the Creator. I do not know if I am brining this across in a manner everyone can overstand, but it is kind of crucial nevertheless.

There's nothing wrong with the title or the word "Rastafari" but there is a lot wrong with the title or word "satan". So changing Rastafari into Christafari sends a completely wrong message.

Many people see a confirmation in it, that the white geezus church is indeed from babylon, because Rastafari shows that the god of babylon, even if he's called geezus, is a false god.

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Posted: 22 May 2004 20:04 Post subject: quote

very well said messian dread, Respect Due

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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1928 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 22 May 2004 22:16 Post subject: quote So really it boils down to the idea that Christafari considers Rastafari a false religion, and then mixes the name with that tittle. Seen understood. The deeper question is Rasta really a religion or merely a culture? If it is really JUST religion then your point is valid. That would be like saying like saying Christamormon. Seen understood. But if it is a Culture that is varied and individualised then it may be that your point is not quite so strong. There are members of all Cultures that follow Christ and there are members of all Cultures who reject Christ. So in that context the name Christafari would be valid. Why? Because the mixture is not with something inherently false but just a statment of the goal. To Bring Christ to Rastafarians that don't know him. There are millions of Sub-cultures across this world. People can be part of many at one time, but we often lump people into HUGE Culture divisions so the subtilies are missed. There is for Example a Jungle Music Culture, with in the Drum and Bass Culture. Now this Culture is build on the basis of the predominant music choice, so then what would be wrong with a Christian Group calling them selves JesusJungle? See this really all hinges on Rasta being Culture or Relgion. For the overall thing I see more culture, and then Religious Sub Cultures with in the larger whole.

Am I being clear?

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Posted: 22 May 2004 22:31 Post subject: quote

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Yes, that is a correct summary.

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Yes, that is the deeper question. Or one of the....

Quote:

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My point remains strong because Rastafari is portrayed as another religion. About the "culture approach", I completely overstand that you say when it is a culture then my point isn't strong since the "all things to all men" can be applied to culturality so to speak. Still it is.

This is explained in the description I gave to the approach of some Christians who know themselves to be working in the field ofg the heavy metallers. They have to change names for it is the Lord God JAH that gets the glory and not satan.

But Rastafari means "Head Of Creation". When you see Rastafari as a culture and you change that name of that culture, you still give the impression that there is something wrong with Rastafari in itself. Seen?

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> Now this Culture is build on the basis of the predominant music choice, so then what would be wrong with a Christian Group calling them selves JesusJungle?

Now, Rasta Culture ofcourse is not built on the basis if the predominant music. Rastafari was there long before there was even a mention of SKA, rock stead, or REGGAE Music.

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> For the overall thing I see more culture, and then Religious Sub Cultures with in the larger whole.

I see it as a culture from my Christian perspective, for the simple reason that when you have two Rastas you'll have three different meditations on things which are considered fundamental within Christianity.

> **Quote:**
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> Am I being clear?

Yes, and we're getting near.....

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Posted: 25 May 2004 06:23 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
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> But Rastafari means "Head Of Creation". When you see Rastafari as a culture and you change that name of that culture, you still give the impression that there is something wrong with Rastafari in itself. Seen?

If I can offer something here:

As I understand the Christafari song "Why you a go look" This really in my opinions brings these "opposing poles" together. First I see/visualize a division between the Christians and the Rastas as many in this world choose to see things, as Messian pointed out. BUT Really there is no division. There is just truth, just as Jah IS. In the song why you a go look

they have quoted the words of Selassie, the one who is titled "Head Creator" himself. If we can accept what Selassie said as truth.... to the Rasta way of life, in all honesty we can also accept that Christafari is really echoing what Selassie said, which to me does not indicate that something is wrong with Rastafari in of itself. It's just a point of overstanding. Just like how much of the Christian church has been mis-interpreted so is the Rasta movement. No one is out... or I should say, no one should be attempting to diss/change/christianize/... truth. You can't, because it is what it is.

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indeed.

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You know, I should have asked this before I wrote my post... Is this in fact Christafari's standpoint?

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Posted: 25 May 2004 10:58 Post subject: quote

CP, in my view it is difficult, because it seems that there is a difference in what the FAQ's state on this site about the nature of Rastafari and what Mark Mohr has spoken in personal conversation (as reported to me).

The FAQ make scant provision for Rasta to be other than a homogenous "false religion" whereas Mark seemingly does recognise that the reality is much more complex. Not all rastas deify or "venerate" (in a wrong way) HIM - possibly not even "most rastas" as the FAQ says.

I see this as a problem, because it neither represents neither Rastafari as a movement or the beliefs of Mark Mohr/Christafari accurately.

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Posted: 25 May 2004 12:53 Post subject: quote

I think much of the real problem is Symantics.

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Posted: 25 May 2004 13:05 Post subject: quote

If semantics make comprehension difficult that that places a higher burden to communicate in such a way that what is intended by the use of symbols, words or concepts will be clearly comprehended in the way we intend by someone seeing or hearing what we say and do.

In this process we need to appreciate that the perspectives of others may result in them "receiving" what we say in a different way to what we intend to communicate. We have to penetrate the worldview and belief framework they operate in so that we can adapt how we communicate, in order to communicate clearly and not cause unnecessary offenses and problems

I think this outward sensitivity towards how communication will be interpreted is something which been lacking in the past in the engagement of Christafari with rasta. This has created problems of perception and mistrust which persist to this day.

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Posted: 25 May 2004 13:13 Post subject: quote

Agreed. There is a mistrust that never should have been, because of this. The intention of Christafari has never been to alienate Rastas. Yet this has happened to some extent due to misunderstandings, miscommunications, etc.

Fans of Christafari or not if we are Christians, or job is to witness Christ to those that don't know him. Not all Rastas fall into that category, but some think they do but don't. The same could be said of the men on the Church Pew.

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Posted: 25 May 2004 18:56 Post subject: quote

Indeed, it is a joy that such issues can be discussed. I think it's necessary actually.

As many have observed and commented, Mark's/Christafari's approach, presentation and viewpoint have changed. It's important to see this. These changes are not in any way to compromise the message of the gospel- that aspect hasn't changed at all.

We must remember that as Mark went to Biola (bible college) and was part of the Sanctuary (correct?) with Bob Beeman, I imagine that he was mentored. We must have people to follow as they follow Christ. Paul was a mentor to Timothy. Paul instilled this idea within us through his teachings- be an example. Christ did the same as He washed His disciples feet. He did it as an example that His disciples would humble themselves and serve one another in love.

I can tell you that I have also followed the example of others who were strong father figures in my life- who set solid, Christ-following examples for me. Then there have been times when I followed not so good examples, but praise the Lord, I got back on track. Now we've got to stay the course. Now, here's the thing- we all must grow, spread our wings and fly for ourselves. We are shaped and influenced to some degree by those whom we surround ourselves with or look towards for support and for learning. Parents are classic examples.

Each man must come into his own, that through the transformative process of the Spirit of JAH that he will become the man that He is shaping him to be.

I think of this verse:
"But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." Proverbs 4:18

I also think of Paul saying that until that which is perfect is come, we see dimly as through a glass because we know in part and prophesy in part. We're all growing and the Father continues to do that work He began within us when we recieved His Son and He shall see that work to completion.

The trouble with being an artiste (or author, etc.) is that you document where you are at a point in time and it is frozen. It is a snapshot, depicting where you were then. Everyone should be given the right to adjust things as the Holy Spirit leads, as knowledge increases and experiences teach. Some out in the world may be shown they may not be correct or that whatever they believed is no longer true, yet out of pride they may refuse to let go of the viewpoint. We see that in politics all the time. Also, some are accused of flip-flopping (sometimes they do!) when they may just be making more of an informed choice about something. For example, why does someone necessarily have to hold to the same viewpoint they did 25-30 years ago?

Of course, we're talking from a Christian viewpoint- totally different. Christ never changes, but we do. We learn more, we grow more and it's a great thing. I'm not speaking for Mark in any of this, by the way. It's forseeable though, that some of the FAQ's could change some to reflect

current viewpoints.

Excellent points from all. I appreciate the discussion.

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Posted: 25 May 2004 19:18 Post subject: quote

Yes. and also there is the thing that there hypocritical Christians,and then on the other hand you have a group of people that are collectively called rasta or call themselves rasta (wether they are or not) that make a point to call attention to the failures of Christians. It goes two ways.

In so many ways I feel that ther is a special thing about the ability to reason and meditate on different opinions and such. I think that the natural unity that Christianity and Rastafari share are equally special. The belief in the Holy word of God. The fear of the Head creator. The yearning for Zion land. The seperation from Babylon. etc. etc. etc..... there are hundreds mabey thousands of parallels. The fact is the two in thier truest and purest form are exactly the same thing. No diffrence whatsoever.

I believe in these last days that Jah is calling his sons and daughters to Unity and peace. However, we also are to be contiuously on gaurd for the enemy.

Now I also want to touch a little closer on this enigma "Christifari" . As Jetze has spoken it is a thing that is interesting and sometimes baffling. The thing about it is that there is absolutely no doubt in my mind that there
is somethings wrong with something about Christifari. But please show me a belief system that from origin has never made a mistake. It is easy to point fingers and say this is wrong because.....It is more difficult to say mabey "i do not know" I think that is where I stand on this issue. I do not know! I am hoping that mark can find the time in his busy schedule to participate in this thread with us. I believe from what I have

heard that he has good motives. On the other hand I do see the point of view of some where it is not wrong to say that even the word "Christafari" could be a poor choice. I think this particular thread has the ability to be very helpful if we keep it in prayer and try to have a loving attitude about our reasonings, debates, disagreements, and so on..

The Lord can do more than we could ask or think. Mabey this could be a seed that could grow into a more understanding view on Christ and rasta.

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and Christ said " for what is it to Profit the World and Lose Your Soul? "

... it sounds to me like your doing just that Mark & followers..

(MATTHEW 24:4-5)

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blaminack
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Posted: 25 May 2004 23:39 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

I believe that the interview that you were talking about was refering to Mark's searching, in his youth. Like the phases that he went through on his journy to to becoming a Christian. No Violence is not the way of most rastas but it is the way of Gangs that Mark was involved in before becoming Rasta. Hard Drugs were also part of that scene.

GFD,

The last post that you made shows very little understanding of the reality of things. Where is all the money that these Bredren are making? There are only a handful of Reggae Artists in the World that we could say are doing well off of their music. The statements about mixing Chrisitanity and Rasta teaching is way off as well. There only place that they come close are the parallels that True Chrisitanity has with Rasta teaching. I am still amazed that you are still saying they are doing this to make money... I cannot believe it.

I wish that I had a picture off their tour bus to post along side the tour bus of the Popular CCM Artists. Money... ha

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Posted: 26 May 2004 01:04 Post subject: quote

ok...well you can go to the store and buy a christafari cd... i woulda thought they was making some money, but i can see where those who really know about reggae music wouldnt buy it in the 1st place because of the Obvious Hypocracy of it all.... after all, Rastafarianism is a Black Movement for the Black man...as Most Rasta's will tell you there is a abbreviation for Rasta and it is this... Righteous Africa Stand Tall Alone. So when they see a bunch of White Men wearing Dreadlocks Mixing up the name of Jesus and Selassie i can see how Most take it as a Fashion Band and bypass it all together.... But Reggae, well thats just another type of Music, like Rock and Roll...same with dUb, you don't have to act like your all Dread Red X to to play or Promote good Music. But when Christafari decided to get all Bamboozled over Names, well it just goes to show ya how it can all end up..having to defend your Ignorance to anyone of Intelligence on the Subject Forever.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Posted: 26 May 2004 01:30 Post subject: quote

and it was going so well..

> **Quote:**
> after all, Rastafarianism is a Black Movement for the Black man

that shows how much you know about the movement. Nobody requires that you have to like Christafari or their music or beliefs but please, get your facts straight at least.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 26 May 2004 02:19 Post subject: quote

GFD,

It is obvious that your words come from a view point that is very off. Im pretty sure that even if you had a few valid points they have been overlooked because of your very tactless presentation of them. All in all though, I am starting to really even doubt that you know much (if anything) about Christafari. Even more than that I see that your view of Rastafari seems tainted and even jaded as well.

All,

As I said earlier this thread needs prayer and meditation.

PLEASE!!!

Lets all make an effort to pray about our postings here because of the subject matter.

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scriptures (He was a member of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church). However, the faith and beliefs of the Rastafarians persisted and he remains a revered figure.

A Rasta to this day will greet you with "Greeting in the name of the most high, H.I.M Haile Selassie". They had also claimed that Selassie had nail marks in the palm of his hand proving his divinity.Rastafarian Religion has in roots in Garvinism. Marcus Garvey, a Jamaican, who promoted the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA) in the 1920s. The organization's main goal was to unite black people with their rightful homeland, Africa. Garvey believed that all black people in the western world should return to Africa since they were all descended from Africans. He preached that the European colonizers, having fragmented the African continent, unfairly spread the African population throughout the world.

Garvey was considered a prophet by many and he even spoke in a very prophetical way. He assured his followers, "No one knows when the hour of Africa's redemption cometh. It is in the wind. It is coming. One day, like a storm, it will be here." He told blacks to "look to Africa for the crowning of a king to know that your redemption is near." In 1930, Prince Ras Tafari Makonnen was crowned the new Emperor of Ethiopia. Upon his coronation, he claimed for himself the title of Emperor Haile Selassie (Power of the Trinity). This announcement was a monumental event that many blacks in Africa and the Americas saw as the fulfillment of Garvey's prophecy years before. After the crowning of Selassie, the Rastafarian movement gained a following and officially began. Ironically, Selassie was never a Rastafarian himself, and no one is really sure what he ever thought of his following. Also noteworthy is the fact that Garvey himself was admittedly not an admirer of Haile Selassie, and he went as far as to attack the Ethiopians as "crazy fanatics". Haile Selassie visited Jamaica on April 21, 1966, while the country was amid an ongoing national social crisis in which Rastas were perceived by the majority as a revolutionary threat that had to be defused. During this first and final trip to Jamaica, Selassie met with several Rastafarian leaders. The visit resulted in two profound developments within the Rastafarian

movement. First, Selassie convinced the Rastafarian brothers that they "should not seek to immigrate to Ethiopia until they had liberated the people of Jamaica." Second, from that day forth, April 21st has been celebrated as a special holy day among Rastafarians, "Grounation Day." To Rastafarians, Selassie was much more than just a political leader; Rasta theology centered on the divinity of Selassie as a living manifestation of Jah, the all-knowing and all-loving God. To Rastafarians, the story told by the Old Testament pertains to black Africans who descend from Abraham and Jacob. But white Christians altered this fact to keep Africans in a substandard position. Rastafarians refer to this oppression as "Babylon", with obvious references to a state of slavery and cultural tyranny that all blacks must overcome. To greater represent the truth, Rasta rejects the Bible used by most Christians, opting instead for a "black man's Bible" known as the The Holy Piby.... are you Reading this?.

Leonard Howell (Rasta Founder) gave the Rastafarians six fundamental principles:

Hatred for the white race.

The complete superiority of the black race.

Revenge on whites for their wickedness.

The negation, persecution, and humiliation of the government and legal bodies of Jamaica.

Preparation to go back to Africa, and

Acknowledging Emperor Haile Selassie as the Supreme Being and only ruler of black people.

Concepts that are key to Rastafarian beliefs:

Babylon: "Babylon" is the Rastafarian term for the white political power structure that has been holding the black race down for centuries. In the past, Rastas claim that blacks were held down physically by the shackles of slavery. In the present, Rastas feel

that blacks are still held down through poverty, illiteracy, inequality, and trickery by the white man. The efforts of Rastafarianism is to attempt to remind blacks of their heritage and have them stand up against this Babylon.

I and I: This concept has become "the most important theoretical tool apart from the Babylonian conspiracy in the Rastafarian repertoire." Cashmore explains, "I and I is an expression to totalize the concept of oneness, the oneness of two persons. So God is within all of us and we're one people in fact. I and I means that God is in all men. The bond of Ras Tafari is the bond of God, of man. But man itself needs a head and the head of man is His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I of Ethiopia."

Jah: The Rastafarian name for God is Jah. The presence of Jah in His children and in the world is the triumph over the tribulations of everyday life. Ethiopia specifically, and Africa in general, is considered the Rastas heaven on Earth. However, there is no afterlife or hell as Christianity believes.

Before you ever try to call someone out again COOLPOETE, why don't you make sure yourself that you know what your talking about, i wonder how many of you people here actually knew any of this.... preach on you Christafarian... Can't you all see you are your own BIGGEST PROBLEM?... you can't blame Leonard Howell who hated every white man alive even till his death, that you took his Secular Religion and mixed it with Christ True Love.... You have No Justification... None of you do

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Messian Dread
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Posted: 26 May 2004 02:51 Post subject: quote

Blaminack, you're right in your analogy but still it's kind of unclear. Read the following without knowing anything about Rasta:

> **Quote:**
>
> I was involved with gangs, drugs, lust, and every other sort of rebellion from God possible. I later got involved in Rastafarianism and began growing a small plantation of ganja. I had many brushes with the law and even ran away from home and ended up living on the streets.

taken from: http://www.christafari.com/bio/meet_mark.html

Now this is how others interpretate that:

> **Quote:**
>
> He had gotten into drugs and boos and eventually Rastafarianism to the point of growing ganja for distribution. At 17 through a prodding attempt of his praying parents, the dope smoking Mohr went to a Christian youth camp.

taken from: http://www.salemxm.com/torch/christafari.shtml

It's the "brushes with the law" , "ending on the streets", how does the analogy show that Rastafari could perhaps have been an influence for him to get to know JAH, to prepare him to becvome born again? Mind you, this works on a subconscious level in the hearts and minds of readers. It's a certain image of Rastafari that is portrayed in the minds of the Christians.

In the interview I read it was written even more into the idea that violence etc was integrally connected with his life until he became born again. I can try to find it, it's online somewhere.

One might ask themselves, well why should a Christian know anything about Rastafari? I think the mere deeper subjects of this thread answers that question. The mere fact that there is mention of that what is written in the faq's (causing the confusion, in any way portraying it out in the open for everyone to see) is not or no longer what Christafari stands for shows the neccesity too.

Mike, you're 100% right in that people should have the room tro

grow, to be purified, and all that. Absolutely. But why, oh why, are these faq's unchanged. why oh why stopping to call JAH by His Name, when the fruits of the faq's (i know i simplify, but for the sake of clarity) are not dealt with that way. Not at all.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 26 May 2004 03:58 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

There is often a huge gap between what we say and how we are interpreted. I can be TOTALLY responsible for what I say, but I cannot be responsible for what you take from it.

An example is this,

I say to my wife, "Wow, you look gorgeous in that dress!" \

She hears, "Wow, that dress is nice but the others make you look fat."

Why? Her mind twisted my words to fit her own interpretation.

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
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Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 26 May 2004 08:10 Post subject: quote

THE NAME
Pronounced CHRIST-AH-FAR-EYE, in Greek, the original language of the New Testament, Christafari is the name given to "a group of people who collectively represent Christ."

ummm..... i thought the name was Christian.

that quote is coming from this site about and from Christafari.... tell me how that is misunderstood... Mark...Show me in the bible Where Christafari is mentioned 1 time. the Bible say's no such thing.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 26 May 2004 09:42 Post subject:

quote

GFD, you need to be aware that your (Cashmore's) definition of "what rastafari is" represents only ONE definition used by SOME of rasta, and it is one which was made 25 years ago.

Many things have changed and moved on since then. You should check Twelve Tribes of Israel, for example, who definitely do **not** see rasta in this Howellite way.

I am not someone who is a big defender of Christafari philosphy at all, in case you think I say this as someone who is.

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
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Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 26 May 2004 10:25 Post subject: quote

think about how long the bible was written. and yet the Word Remains the Same for all as Intented. Now if i take that Bible and Change it to suit my needs and my own Opinion's then i am not Following the Bible as Intended therefore i would not be able to say that i Followed It's way's but i could say that i took what i saw fit and made my own bible out of it, and that is what is goin on here with the so called Rasta's of Today.. they are not Rasta as Rastafarianism was Intended to be, They (in most cases) are Completely Something Totally Different and thus they should be Considered Not Rasta just the same way as someone who only took peices of the words of Christ to Further their own cause couldnt call themselves a Christian... Something to think about

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GFD DUB MUSIC
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 May 2004
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Location: Indianapolis

Posted: 26 May 2004 10:29 Post subject: quote

i gotta good name you could call those people... Christafarians

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 26 May 2004 12:14 Post subject: quote

Look GFD, hold any opinion that you like, but the kind of posts that you have posted in this thread are not going to work. Disagree with the purpose of this thing all that you want. Disagree with the methods all that you want. Bash them and call them liars and your posts will be gone. Messian Dread has few places of agreement, with this, yet he maintains himself to get his points across. You are ruining your ability to witness effectivly here.

Please consider this your last time for advisment on this matter. We want you to be able to share your feelings, but your tone is ruining your opportunity to do so. If you value this, then please say what you have to say in a way that is not hatefull. You have left your respect and one love to all stance and have become quite venomous, please stop, and return your first works.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1085 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 27 May 2004 12:22 Post subject: quote **blaminack wrote:** There is often a huge gap between what we say and how we are interpreted. I can be TOTALLY responsible for what I say, but I cannot be responsible for what you take from it. That's why writing and thing requires some talents and all that. That's why Petrus told us to equip ourselves so that we might be able to formulate the words that describe our thoughts in such a way that others see it. But we are not really talking about "responsibility". That's like "solving" a problem by "blaming" someone. We're discussing the fruits. The fruits which came from a wrong definition of Rastafari on the Christafari website and other publications and are recognized (hence the "change in approach"). Perhaps I can clarify this a little bit by making some statementys concerning my past so to speak. Being born and raised in the pentecoastal tradition, I kind of went astray from the Lord and Saviour until a point I was getting into all kinds of anti-christian things as an early teenager. When I was then caught by Reggae Music and started to be educated and informed by it, I realized that the God Whom I thought was the white geezus coming to get me for not being a good babylonian slave, is in fact nothing like that at all. When I became born again, I

know that Rastafari had shown me the way out of the occult and thing before I could really get into it, and I will therefore never put Rastafari into an anti-JAH corner.

When you read this it is kind of obvious to see the many similairites between Mark Mohr's story and mine, and also obvious to see the crucial differences too. but I think I know what I talk about.

You can read in the quoted interpretation of Mark's bio, that the writer wrote: "getting into violence etc, and "eventually" into Rastafari before becoming born again". This shows a mind set in which the so called Rastafarian*ism* is seen as an extreme form of being not born again, I hope I am still clear.

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Posted: 27 May 2004 16:50 Post subject: quote

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when you say," and I will therefore never put Rastafari into an anti-JAH corner".
... you are saying anti-GOD , and i am sure you know this. Now, Haile Selassie said H.I.M.self that he was not JAH and that it is a mistake for a man to think so about him. Have you ever thought of the possibility that

you are still wrong in your Interpretations? ....especially how the Catholic Church is Babylon..that for sure is millions and millions of people who belong to the Worlds Largest Christian denomination you are speaking this way Against and that shows you are wrong. Are You ready to bash the Faith of all the Faithful in Christ as Babylon to Support your Rastafarian Salvation?... these are only Questions that i hope you are able to clear up with some of the things i have heard you say, and the opinions of a few others in response to what you have said.

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
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Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 27 May 2004 21:55 Post subject: quote

The name, the name....hmmm. You guys have said quite a bit about the name "Christafari". I have to say that I am so used to the name that I don't really think anything of it. However, I do recall telling a friend about the group and his reaction was immediately a negative one. He felt that it was sort of like a swipe at Rastafarians and he just didn't like the sound of it. Maybe there is a sort of defiance to it- saying you call yourself RASTAfari, well I call myself CHRISTafari! Though the name is so common to me, I have to admit that another name would be better. Funny thing is after all this time I have heard very, very few objections to the name "Christafari". One would think this board would have been flooded with criticisms. I guess that could either mean acceptance of it, that people just don't bother expressing their disapproval or that times have changed. I think it's probably a little of each, but times have definitely changed.
Also, does "Christafari" really mean "Followers of Christ" or whatever in Greek? I never researched it for myself but I believe GFD refuted this. Anybody research this to see if this is a correct translation?

Just take a look at what GFD shared about when Rasta was established- and I think what he says there about Leonard Howell and the founding principles is probably true. When Mark Mohr founded Christafari in 1988/1989, Rasta was looked at much differently than now (at least by some of us). I have to admit that although I have been listening to reggae since the late 80's especially roots, that my views have been shaped and influenced some by Christafari. BUT I have also done my

own research and reasoning with brethren like Messian Dread, Talking Dog, CoolPoet and others who are very well informed on Rasta and also Christianity. Also I have listened to music from people like Yabby You and Sugar Minott who profess faith in Christ, though their approach may be unconventional.
My knowledge has expanded quite a bit I would say. I can also see where many other brethren have learned and added a lot to these discussions.
I now see a lot of views being presented out there as uninformed, antiquated or even ignorant- even though some mean well.

One question I have- a side subject, hope you don't mind. Why do Rastas say things like "Selassie IS...", in other words that he is still alive? It almost seems to me to be an expression of his deity. Do I have it wrong? It just seems to me that the only one who has died who we can speak of in the present is Yeshua who is the Everlasting Father. If Selassie "IS" then can the same be said for any follower of Yeshua who passes? Do you feel me? Jetze, I do understand what you say about those who have salvation in Yeshua aren't dead- even though their flesh dies, so maybe that's what is meant. Anyway, a little clarification on this would be good.

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blaminack
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 28 May 2004 00:09 Post subject: quote

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These are just some of the places of disagreement of course but let us get away from broad ideas and be specific. You had a problem in that Christafari made Rasta look to be a bad thing. I think that we would all agree that for some it has been. Many have totally gotten away from anything that Selassie lived or taught, and have slipped into Kemetism, Hinduism, New Age Teachings, etc. The mix that is taking place in not really one of Christianity and Rasta, but of Hippy styled New Age teachings and Rasta. I believe that our focus should always be the Word of God. When we discuss that, we plow much more fertile ground. Let us

discuss Scripture. Let us talk about Selassie's words. Let us discuss what can be learned about living a Godly life. But also let us be honest about all the aspects of Rasta Livity. None of us here would diss every single thing about Rasta Livity, but there is lots that should be discussed. I hope too that you would be honest about what you see wrong with the Rasta Movement other than just glossing over things that should be seen. Bobo Shantys need the Real Christ. Pentecostals need the REAL Christ. Those of us who see the differances between what Modern Christianity has become and what the Bible teaches will be honest about that too I am sure.

Blessins

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Posted: 28 May 2004 02:52 Post subject: quote

True words, bill and Mike..

I still see an issue with the need to have the name changed. I for one think that if a person is convicted in what they stand for they should continue to take their stance in it. Changing the name of Christafari does discredit the organization in my opinion... to please man? Same thing with the name Lion of Zion. We can argue what we think it sounds like or what we think it implies but unless the foundation behind the name is false then it would be a faltered organization. I'm not defending them because I see no need to defend. If it's wrong it's wrong, if it's right it's right.
God is truth, and his truth stands tall over any shadows.

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http://www.geocities.com/coolpoete

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 29 May 2004 10:53 Post subject: quote

[clarification]GFD seems to indicate that he thinks that I believe Haile Selassie to be an incarnation of JAH. Maybe it is good to state that I do not believe that.

The word "Rastafari" is also used in various ways, which is recognizable for most people familiair with the movement. Jah ofcourse is the Rastafari, there is also the movement of Rastafari, and there is the name Tafari, with the title Ras, which is the name of Haile Selassie before he became the Emperor of Ethiopian.[/clarification]

> **Mike Roots wrote:**
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> Maybe there is a sort of defiance to it- saying you call yourself RASTAfari, well I call myself CHRISTafari!

Exactly. See description of approach to people who are into heavy metal/satanism by Sanctuary, written earlier in this thread. Could this be a possibility in your opinnion, what I propose there?

> **Quote:**
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> Why do Rastas say things like "Selassie IS...", (...) I do understand (...) salvation in Yeshua aren't dead- (...) Anyway, a little clarification on this would be good.

Personally I find it unneccesary to emphasize the state of Selassie's physical body. Even though Rita Marley went to the Emperor's "re-burial" and sent a message by doing so.... It's an argument which is not neccesary in a reasoning concerning HIM's (non-)divinity and that's why I won't say these things, because, indeed, those who "died" in Kristos still live.

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Yes, you see the point in a different way, not really seeing a different point, though. I am aware of the fact that you indeed look at it differently, but we are looking at the same point.
For me, the perspective from which I see it, is from the perspective of a dreadlocksman. From a perspective of those real Rastas that I know too. I do not like to see them in one line with gangsters. Couldn't they have been influential in bringing Mark Mohr to the God of Creation? Couldn't they have subtly showed him that Yesus isn't the god he refused to acknowledge as a child? Or otherwise, couldn't they have been used by Jah to change Mark Mohr from rebelling against Jah into being open for Him?

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Perhaps that shows the neccesity for threads like this, in which we can all get to know each other better. It will become more clear for me that there are actual differences between you (which is ofcourse the reason why there shouldn't be generalization, yes?) when we discuss these matters.

I also am more interested in the differences then in things we agree on, when it comes to discussions. When we all agree then we do not have

much to discuss other then "yes I agree". But it is also good and neccesary too to know common ground as to not take the discussion in a different bigger context. I hope we are inteligent enough to do this and I think we are. And that is not a generalization...

Quote:

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Who are the "we"?
Anyway, the specific parts are clear, and yes we agree on one and not on another one. And yes, we know where we stand and let's not discuss herby here
We do not believe Selassie to be an incarnation of JAH. Still we have, what you call, different approaches and thing. Do you think that only the ganja thing would be our difference?
I think not.
I am trying to find out just how much Christafari(ans) is/are connected to the Churchical world, to the ""Christian System" or "establishment". And I am not talking about the Body of Kristos here.

Quote:

> You had a problem in that Christafari made Rasta look to be a bad thing. I think that we would all agree that for some it has been.

Then why are these words unchanged on the website for years, providing "information" for people which is admittidly inaccuarate or at least "ineffecient"?

Quote:

> The mix that is taking place in not really one of Christianity and Rasta, but of Hippy styled New Age teachings and Rasta.

I agree with that and have written about it years ago allready.

http://dubroom.org/messiandread/itations0009.htm wrote:

RASTAFARI AND THE NEW AGE

Haile Selassie, the Lion of Judah, was a devout christian. Nowhere did he speak of a Christ being not Jesus. When he heard that people thought he was Jesus Christ, he rapidly sended an Archbishop to teach that he was not. He put great effort in worshipping the Most High, a thing unspeakable in the sight of a New Ager. New Agers follow themselves, because they think that Jah is everything and everything is Jah. They follow a doctrine which is in clear contradiction with Jah scripture. Still, unfortunately, New Age thinking has also found its way within the movement of Rastafari. I think there is such a big group of "new age Rastas" now, you can even speak of an esotherical house of Rastafari. Most of them are friendly, lovely people. They strive for righteousness in their own surrounding. I think, most of them don't realize where they are getting themselves into. Taken from scripture, one of the Rastaman's creeds is: "Righteousness will cover the earth". I am afraid, that a lot might not realize the new age proclaims: "SELF-Righteousness will cover the earth".

Especially since Haile Selassie left the visible spectrum, a feeding soil for a more mystical, esotherical form of spirituality was created. When perhaps most Rastas believed Selassie to be Christ Jesus, as long as the Ethiopian Lion of Judah was physically present, their worship was directed towards HIM, Rastafari. With the Emperor reported dead, some Rastas began to look inside for Selassie, worship gradually changed into spirituality of the new age kind. I think not so many New Age Rastafarians realize, that there is no place for worshipping Christ in the New Age way of thinking. This is also very logical, for they teach that you are god yourself. The more you get initiated, the more you will realize this.

Quote:

I hope too that you would be honest about what you see wrong with the Rasta Movement other than just glossing over things that should be seen. Bobo Shantys need the Real Christ. Pentecostals need the REAL Christ. Those of us who see the differances between what Modern Christianity has become and what the Bible teaches will be honest about that too I am sure.

I do not see a neccesity to say what is "wrong" with "the" movement. As said, two Rastas, three meditations. The things that makes one a Rasta I do not see as "wrong". Believing Selassie to be Jah doesn't make you a Rasta. Smoking herb doesn't make you a Rasta. Wearing dreads doesn't make you a Rasta. Making Reggae doesn't make you a Rasta. Still there are Rastas and you know one when you meet one. What would that be? Now indeed that would be an interesting thing to reason about.

Blessed Reasoning.....

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Joined: 14 Aug 2003
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Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 29 May 2004 12:39 Post subject: quote

I have been reading this thread for awhile now. From where this started it have become a long and a good road to this point. I would call this a respectful reasoning from everyside, well there were some not so nice posts along the way but they were a little minority.

From what I have read this far I suggest that the reasoning should go more on thinking about what's rasta today? I mean for what I have read I get the influence that different people here view rasta in totally (or atleast little) different ways. That's something that should be discussed really before entering the problematics/non-problematics of using the name Christafari. Or another thing that you could also do is to stop using the word "rastafarian" anymore and using the 12 tribes/Bobo Shanty/Niyabinghi... that would clear the table a little when the "mysterious" word would be out of the way. This would ofcourse be easier but I think that word "Rasta" really needs defination. Then when everybody agrees about the meaning of rasta or atleast sees the way other people sees the word then it would be alot easier to talk about the name Christafari. I think also that it's the name Christafari that may contain problems, not really the name Lion of Zion. Atleast in my opinion the name Lion of Zion is totally biblical and it doesn't really contain any "dissing" against Rasta.

So what's everyones view of rasta? What makes someone a rasta? Nazarite vow? Belief in HIM as the reincarnation of Jesus Christ? Dreadlocks? Ganja? Ital livity? The condition of your heart? What is really the vital point that makes someone a rasta? I think that this is something that need clarification.

blessings †

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In only one name.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 29 May 2004 16:24 Post subject: quote

Yes. This will be a very interesting way to find some clarity. What makes a rasta? I must say that I have never considered myself a rasta. I think Messian Dread says a similar thing. However, he says that he does not correct one if they refer to him as such. Or does not feel that is a title that would really misinform someone too much because of the influence that the Rastafarian culture has had on him. This to me is the kind of statement that really interested me in this movement from the start. I must say that the rootsmans lifestyle was always an interesting enigma to me. Mainly because that in a time of spiritual confusion and even rebellion I did see a righteousness and purity about some aspects of Rastafarianism. I think that I knew nothing of Rasta culture until I talked to Jah about it and was searching for more understanding. I say this because I do not think that it is something to be taken flippantly or lightly because of the different directions that many sub- cultures in this movement are going.

I definatly could understand how the movement could influence a person in either a positive or a negative direction. I think that the real dividing line as with any sort of movement/ culture/ belief system/ ideology would be with what the individuals personal idea of Jesus Christ is. For someone who truly sees Christ as Jah then the Rasta viewpoint on the Bible, Jesus, Selassie, Zion, Babylon, Creationism, sin, righteousness, and whatever else is one that can be held up to light and truth. On the other hand you have a lost soul who is searching for something that could bring some meaning to thier life. Once they decide worship the creation insted of the creator they are heading toward a path of destruction. Then these aspects of Christian living or Rastafarianism can be looked at with any number of different opinions. HOWEVER, I think that the main difference in Rasta as opposed to some other ways of thinking or paths for a lost soul would actually come down Gods view of

Rasta. Is Rastafarianism something to be seperated from? Is Rastafarianism something to be connected to? In Buddhism or New Age or other religions and movements we know these to be something to seperate ourselves from. In Rasta I see how it is not a thing to be looked at in this manner. This is the beauty of Rasta to me. What do we do with it? This is the reason why I am so interested in the words of you brothers and sisters. Because I am really starting to see things the way Jetze does,(in a much more elementary way) that instead of sort of combating the Rasta culture itself we can learn from and with it in order to see others come to fruition in thier journeys for consciousness with the truth of Christ as "Head Creator" and ultimately LORD GOD and Redeeming Savior.

So I would say what would make a Rasta could be (among other things) the individuals choice to oppose or learn from it.

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The Christafari Doctrine....

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Author	Message
ZIONSLAVE Forum Veteran Joined: 12 Nov 2003 Posts: 124	Posted: 29 May 2004 16:46 Post subject: quote Also,(as a side note) this may be one of the main differences (from an outsiders perspective) between Rastafari and Christafari. Its almost as if the Christafari mentality is that the Rasta culture itself is something bad. That instead of working along side of Rastafarianism it sort of looks down on opposes it. This is why you have folks like Ganja Fiya dub who got the wrong impression of the true goal of Christafari. I think this could really be a something to pray about for Christafari and the people involved with it, like you and I. Even the word Christafari in some way could be looked at positively or negatively, its up to the individual. What could be done to try to clarify the type of communication that is desired, with the ultimate goal being a purer picture of Christ and his supernatural power? As you can see GFD or ((messenger)) was really influenced by the Light,Truth, and Word of Christ. I think this is just a small example of the kind of changes and power that Jah is willing and able to do through His people the more we make a point of trying to be clear about our own stance.
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Administrator

Joined: 07 May 2002
Posts: 114

Posted: 30 May 2004 05:36 Post subject: quote

ZIONSLAVE wrote:

> Its almost as if the Christafari mentality is that the Rasta culture itself is something bad. That instead of working along side of Rastafarianism it sort of looks down on opposes it.

That's a powerful statement. Christafari means 'bearer of Christ' That is also a strong statement. I think to call yourselves....ourselves....Christafarians, we need to remember who we represent. We represent Christ -- all the time, not just when we feel like it.

Now, the thing about what Zionslave said that disturbs me is.... where did this idea that the Christafari mentality thinks that the rasta culture is bad? I have worked along side Mark Mohr in the mission field and never once have I seen him look down on Rastas. Mark has been a great role model for me in teaching me that love, respect and affirming ones worth is how a believer should witness to a non-believer. The thing that should separate true God followers from the rest of the world is the way we treat people.....we treat them with the love and respect that they deserve, cause they too are created by God, to worship God. (I define God, the I AM - whose son Jesus Christ, died on the cross for my sins and rose again - victorious over the grave.....

All that said, I think Rasta is a culture. Can you be a Christian and a Rasta? Yeah, I think you can. Just like you can be Mexican and a Christian or Iraqi and a Christian or Swedish and a Christian....or me, 8 different nationalities and at heart Jamaican and a Christian.

Devon

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ZIONSLAVE
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Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 30 May 2004 06:45 Post subject: quote

Devon,

I thought about my post today. Then this evening I had the opportunity to read yours. This topic is a very sensitive one and I pray that I do not say a thing that is untruthful or misleading. That said, I must clarify what I have said in order to give you and others a better understanding of it. First, I do not know the mind of Mark or other Christifarians. I look at Christafari and the like from an outsiders perspective. If someone like me can misinterpret the ideas of Christafari as a believer what do you think the Rastafarian culture and others will do? This is why it is important for Christafari to evaluate thier own ministry. As far as I can tell without knowing the mind of Mark or others I do think that the heart of Christafari may be in the right place. That does not mean that the mind of Christafari is.

Secondly, I told you I was thinking about my post earlier today. Hoping I had not said anything to lead one astray. It all comes down to a matter of personal perspective. We must never fail to realize that the Word of God is what will divide. There is no question impossible for God. Nothing that will bring confusion from the mouth of Jah. Something you will see at times from God is called a mystery. That is not confusion. So, in order for there to be confusion we must have flesh and a sinful nature. This is why I say that Christafari should take a look inward. Not only Christafari; Also, Rastafari, Christianity, or best ourselves.

Something was said earlier about communication. Something along the lines of " we cannot control what is heard, only what is said..." I see this to be a very dangerous reasoning.This faulty reasoning goes along with a familiar question of "am I my brothers keeper?" The Bible says in Romans 14:16 " Let not your good be evil spoken of" we should be VERY VERY VERY concerned with how we appear to others. Never do we want to give the impression that we are something we are not. Mistakes will be made. People will misunderstand. But, we must make special

efforts to be clear as crystal with our words and deeds. This is why I have made such a special point to speak out this last week or so. It is because when I see a thread labled "Christafari Doctrine" I immediately am interested because I am unsure of it. I also want to know if I can learn something from it or from others with a perspective tht may be biblical but with an angle I have not seen. This sort of thing is only given by God. I hope this clears up some for you. In short, I may be wrong about how Christafari views Rastafari. Does that mean I have done something wrong? Or should Christafari clarify..... This is an important reason why I have hoped for Marks participation in this thread. Still nothing from him. That is a sad thing seeing that this thread alone has been viewed over a thousand times already.

On the otherhand I must make a special point to say that a negative view on a belief system that makes someone other than Jesus God is good. Also a belief system that does not see Jesus as God is evil. These types of belief systems should be something that we all oppose whole heartedly. I say this because It would be a tragic thing for a person to be searching for truth in this forum and be told to work along side of Rastafari then be led into a path of death. Same for Christianity which I fear is even more common. Catholisim, Christian science, Christian mysticism, and even others like these prosperity "preachers" are leading and have led millions to hell. What will we do with the mouth and communication tools Jah has given us?

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Posted: 30 May 2004 13:38 Post subject: quote

Just to clarify, I don't think that I said that we are not to care what others hear if it is differant than what we said, I said we cannot be held responsible. There is in all of us thousands of things that we care about with out being responsible for.

Of course we should care what some one hears and that should shape how we say things, but it is going to happen that some one will approach a topic with their mind made up and their interpretation is set ahead of time. Just like the scenereo that I gave about my wife. If she has this in here head I could spent the rest of my life trying to be more clear, but she got her feelings hurt the first time.... understand?

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Messian Dread
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Posts: 1085
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 May 2004 19:10 Post subject: quote

GodFollower wrote:

> Now, the thing about what Zionslave said that disturbs me is.... where did this idea that the Christafari mentality thinks that the rasta culture is bad?

From the FAQ's, for example. From the usage of Rastafarian Symbology which is in no relation to the description of Rastafari. Yet there is a big connection and similarity with the way Christians approach the satan/metal scene.

This gives wrong fruits, as is partly to be found right here in this forum. And I respect the people who admit these things very much for doing so.

Just look around in this forum and educate yourself on the mentality that some portray concerning Rastafari. Perfect examples of the words "run up them mouth know not what them talk about".

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
The Issue: http://www.dubroom.org/christafari
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((Messenger))

Joined: 28 May 2004
Posts: 12
Location: United States of America

Posted: 30 May 2004 21:27 Post subject: quote

We must be sure that the doctrine we hold to and abide in is truly the doctrine of Christ, lest we be found to be without God and without His Son (2 Jn.9-11).

"For many shall come in My name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many" (Matt.24:5).

"But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of DOCTRINE which was delivered you" (Rom.6:17).

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Posted: 10 Jun 2004 11:19 Post subject: quote

Why did you quote that?

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The name Christafarian..

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Author	Message
The Messenjah Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Feb 2003 Posts: 109 Location: Babylon, North Carolina	Posted: 23 Dec 2003 05:08 Post subject: The name Christafarian.. quote All my life I've grown up in the church from when I was born to about 7 or so, I was Baptist. From then on to about a year ago I was Non-Denominational[the denomination, that isn't realy one. O_o]. from about a year ago to now I've simple called myself a Christian, or Follower of Christ. But then I started to take to the name Christafarian, not realy because I'm a "Christian" who wants to be a "RasTa". I started takeing on the identity of Christafarian, because of it's meening of Bearer of Christ, or Soldier of Christ. And because I've found myself not wanting todays "Christianity", as a whole alot of it bothers me. This past year, I haven't found much comfort/solace as being a "Christian" or in so much of what I see has taken over Christianity today. I haven't felt Jah say "this is who you be _____". So I guess this has all been a bit out of my own reasoning and thought, which I don't find bad...just, hell, I don't even know the word or phrase for it. I guess I've just felt a little like a wanderer. With the only knowledge is that I have I Jah. Anyhow, I don't even know why I'm writing this for certain. I know some who read this are prolly thinking "why is this guy so messed up over a name", and yeah I see it. But to me right now, I feel it's more of where I am in the body of Christ. I don't feel to shun off the church I attend, or Christianity in general. But I just don't feel to close to it. And in some ways it feels good to be by myself in this, with Jah. I guess in these past months I've felt in the state of being in christianity, yet truely being outside it. And I started this post out to ask what you guys thought of someone useing the name/idenity Christafarian. And I still wonder you're thoughts. But I think in the process, I've come to a better overstanding of what I am, and where I am.

..In Jah alone...

so yeah, I'm going to go ahead and post this. because I see no reason not to.

Shalom, and Blessings.

- Joshua

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blaminack
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Dec 2003 05:15 Post subject: quote

Bro,

I do understand some of what you are talking about. Most folks I know think that the music I am into couldn't even be Christian. I also see the current state of Modern Christianity. I am in it for Christ though. When I see the massive errors going on, I am reminded that I am called to be a light. You don't do that by getting out. You just shine. Do what you are supposed to do and help motivate others to do right too. God could use that to start a huge revival of real true Christianity.

Blessins

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Stone_lock_Comanche

Joined: 28 Jul 2003
Posts: 33

Posted: 24 Dec 2003 02:33 Post subject: quote

http://www.fatheralexander.org/booklets/english/essence_christianity_1.htm

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From te rising of the sun until the setting day run.

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Author	Message
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 17 Aug 2004 08:53 Post subject: What exactly is wrong with the answers on the FAQ? quote I just read the discussion below. Messian Dread seems to think that there is false teaching about rastafarianism in the FAQ section of Christafari. I didn't get to understand what exactly is seen as false teaching in this section. Can somenbody tell me what Jetze thinks is wrong? Of course Jezte if you read this, I hope you can tell me what you think is not right, but since you 'had enough', like you said, anyone that can update me is welcome. _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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aaronjudah
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Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 17 Aug 2004 16:23 Post subject: quote

I would sum up my personal disagreements in 2 brief statements:

1. The information presented does not represent the elements of RasTafari that believe the Messiah to be the way of salvation for humanity. Mr. Mohr has consistently stated that he shares his faith w/ Rastafari and encourages/coaches others to do likewise. He fails to state that there are individuals from the various bodies of Rastafari who have a biblical belief system and faith. If he and others are concerned about the salvation of those in the Rastafari movement, the least he could do is acknowledge the presence of those who hold such salvation faith.

I am puzzled by the fact that he does not reference a few key Rastafari works that deal with the issue of Rastafari and Jesus in a very in depth manner. Perhaps, he has not read these works.

"Dread Jesus" is an excellent. This man actually spoke at a Xian festival (Cornerstone). He is a fundamentalist minister that has produced an excellent work concerning RasTafari and the concept of Jesus.

"HIM: Defender of the Faith." This is a book written by K. Naphtali, a long time Rastafarian and member of the TTOI. This book promotes the necessity of faith in the Messiah.

If Mr. Mohr, and others, are interested in RasTafari and Faith in Xrist/Messiah why don't they read/recommend these books? These works and the people who share the ideology of, as well as create these works, are absent from any of the information found in the FAQ.

2. The FAQ information presents info from RasTafari culture, but fails to give the significance that the various cultural and artistic symbols hold within the RasTafari movement. The info about Dreads; Red, Gold, Green; etc; present facts about these and other symbols, yet they fail to associate them with their origins. This, in my opinion, is why X-ians fail to recognize the serious message/symbol that is portrayed by Christafari imagery. The Lion of Zion, the colors, the half-man/half-lion, the magens, etc. are Rastafari imagery. Many Xians fail to understand the symbology and, therefore, do not see why some individuals express frustration or confusion concerning Christafari. For all intents and purposes, Christari is sending out the RasTa signal and waving

the RasTa flag. When individuals draw close and see that this is not an accurate assessment of the band (Maybe not the band, but M. Mohr, specifically) and, in fact, they have stated certain things that distance them from and diminish Rastafari ideology and beliefs we become frustrated. Think of this example, there is a Rasta and Ganja Reasoning Forum on this site! What types of conclusions should Rastafari draw from this? When this type of behavior is taken to its natural conclusion, what you have is a large population of individuals who are talking, dressing and using symbols in arrogance. Many people do not realize the absurdity of seeing so many Xians who use Rasta imagery and language while they badmouth the movement. In the process of this badmouthing, they reveal how little they understand about Rastafari and the people involve in the movement.

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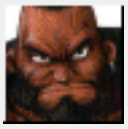

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 17 Aug 2004 17:39 Post subject: quote

Since this is also relevant here, I will reproduce it.

> **aaronjudah wrote:**
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I definitely agree that the FAQ should include more (and more accurate) information about what these symbols mean among Rastas. It is a serious failure to ignore how potent and meaningful these images are among Rastas.

I disagree firmly, however, with your repeated claim that "the Lion of Zion, the colors, the half-man/half-lion, the magens, etc. are Rastafari imagery" and especially the implication (above) that they originate with Rastas.

The Lion of Judah, the colors, and the magens are all Christian symbols, and were Christian symbols long before Rastafari was ever conceived. Even before that, many of them are Jewish symbols. Jews and Christians, therefore, need

no Rasta's permission to use those symbols in any context they wish. It is not "misleading" in any way for religious groups to use their own symbols as they wish, regardless what those symbols mean to other people.

A good example is the Hindu swastika. This has been a Hindu emblem for centuries, perhaps several millennia. It is a symbol as old as the Vedas, at least. The Buddha was a Hindu, and many Hindu symbols, like the swastika, were also adopted by Buddhists. In the 20th century, the swastika was adopted by the Nazis.

The Nazis cannot claim that the swastika is their own exclusive symbol, as if they created it and have the only authority to define its meaning. It has belonged to Hindus and Buddhists since long before Nazis ever arrived on the scene. Hindus and Buddhists ascribed their own meaning to the symbol ages before Nazis tried to change it, and the Hindu meaning will always remain primary, regardless what Nazis desire. Hindus should not relinquish one of their oldest religious symbols to newcomer Nazis.

My point here is NOT to compare Rastas to Nazis. The point is that a new group cannot claim exclusive use of a symbol that existed for centuries or millennia before that group and its beliefs came into existence.

So whether you are a Christian or a Rasta you will just have to *get over* the fact that some of our religious symbols overlap and that the other group will use the same images with a different meaning. Lions, for example, are meaningful to both of us, even if we interpret them differently. If you're a Christian and don't like the Rastas' use of the lion, *too bad*. If you're a Rasta and you don't like the Christians' use of the lion, *too bad*. Green, gold, and red are also meaningful to both of us, even if we interpret them differently. For me, they primarily represent Ethiopia. If they mean something different to you, that's nice, and you're welcome to it. I won't tell you to stop using the colors, and you can't tell me to stop using them either. *Get over it*.

That being said, I *completely agree* with those people who wish the FAQ better represented Rastas, their beliefs, and their understanding of symbols. But the FAQ also fails to represent different Christian beliefs, and especially those with ancient roots. I think that we all, both Rastas and Christians, will just have to tolerate the FAQ until Mohr sees fit to change it. (You may encourage that if you like.) It only represents *his* beliefs anyway. If you

recognize that the FAQ doesn't represent your own beliefs (whether Rasta or Christian), you may also reasonably conclude that it doesn't necessarily represent anyone else's (whether Christian or Rasta) either.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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aaron, when did he speak at cornerstone?

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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 00:40 Post subject: quote

http://www.cornerstonemag.com/imaginarium/fest/index.html

Scroll down to see his information. There was another place that discussed his book or referenced his book, but I do not know where this is now. I am not familiar with this site or festival, but I saw his info while I was googling Dread Jesus.

I must admit, though, I like the vibe of this community and their approach to faith.

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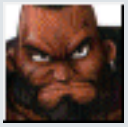

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Posted: 20 Aug 2004 02:01 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah wrote:

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Aaron, I couldn't find him on the site you listed here. Where is it on the page?

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Check this link, too.

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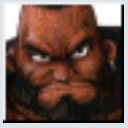

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There are some articles online by William David Spencer:

Could Rastas and Christians Really Unite?

http://www.christianitytoday.com/global/printer.html?/ct/2003/132/31.0.html

Looking for a Dreadlocked Jesus

http://www.christianitytoday.com/global/printer.html?/ct/2003/132/32.0.html

He also seems to have done some sex & gender articles for the Priscilla Papers, which I would like to look into.

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Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 09:49 Post subject: quote Thanks Jonagus! Really interesting articles. _____ Bless! Jochem http://www.byss.org/ 'Ain't no high like the Most High!'
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aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 12:31 Post subject: quote I posted these same articles months ago, but no one cared about them. _____ http://www.aaronjudah.com/ RasTafari Meditation
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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 14:16 Post subject: quote

I haven't been on the forum for a long time. I just saw them today. Thanks again!

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Bless!

Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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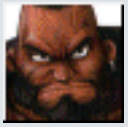
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:18 Post subject: quote

> **aaronjudah wrote:**
>
> I posted these same articles months ago, but no one cared about them.

Some people, like me, weren't here then. Wish I had been!

Thanks.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Author	Message
burt_nader Forum Veteran Joined: 13 Nov 2003 Posts: 131 Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon	Posted: 28 Apr 2004 05:47 Post subject: What is the difference between Rastafarism and Christianity quote I say none except racist doctrine against white people. The inability to accept Christ as a Jew/White man, but only as a black man. When Christ is of all and no color at the same time. This creates a basis of Racism that divides the body of Christ against eachother. Any other difference would be based on falsities about Salassie as Christ/God which can easily be refuted by HIS own words. I am talking about the real Rasta movement. Not the american hippy pop culture religon based on reggae music. Anyway interesting topic for me, I love to reason and hear what others think about these controverisal ideals.
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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 28 Apr 2004 06:25 Post subject: quote

There are lots of differences between the 2 belief systems, one of the foremost is what I just said. Rastafarians don't usually view their belief to be a part of a system, or having a foundational doctrine while Christianity does. This leaves much of Rastafari up to interpretation based on the individual and to the different 'sects' that exist between them (12 Tribes, Nyabinghi, Bobo Ashanti, etc (I dont' know them all))

Concerning Race: It is my opinion that over the years Rasta has accepted many outside of the Black, but maintains to be a pro-black movement, as its original members formed it out of the oppression of whites. I have heard of some individual Rastas that have spoke negatively about some mixed race rastas but Bob Marley was mixed and was all about unity of all races. I don't think any rasta would deny Bob as not being part of the movement. Race remains an individual/group/cultural issue as there are many rastas all over the world of all different colors.

Interestingly I see a need for specific cultural organization but it is only because of the dis-organization that exists between cultures and races, particularly in the states, excluding the metropolitan cities.

> **Quote:**
>
> The inability to accept Christ as a Jew/White man, but only as a black man.

It's not so much an inability as it is a "resistance to accept the wool being pulled over your eyes". Such as was the case with Malcolm X, and of my own personal experience growing up in the Caribbean, Black History is not/was not always taught as extensively as European history in schools, so the movement helps to educate Black culture of it's culture. There are extremists that take on the views as the Black man as God not only within rasta but many other religious organizations such as the Nation of Islam but that's a different subject also discussed elsewhere on this board.

So.. the topics are alot more in-depth, but if you search the previous pages we have discussed this quite in depth before.

> **Quote:**
>
> When Christ is of all and no color at the same time. This creates a basis of Racism that divides the body of Christ against eachother.

In my minds eye I don't see how this could be confusing but I guess the issue is that not all races see God as race-less.. and race-encompassing.. hehe.. it is our own human ignorance that limits God to a box.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 28 Apr 2004 14:58 Post subject: quote

i am glad people dont accept Christ as a white man cause after study the ancient roots and lineage for Christ it is easy to see that he was not white. and it is not just the false ideas of the color of Christs skin that has pushed some black poeple away from western christianity it is the fact that white missionaries throughout the years having been forcing on poeple their belief in their own cultural superiority, i have seen it from here in the caribbean to the motherland of africa when i was living there.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 29 Apr 2004 09:34 Post subject: quote

This is one of the least understood aspects of Rastafari.

First, I am very much opposes to the thing that they allways do, namely to compare a "rasta vs christian" thing.

But the black and white thing has nothing to do with any Rastaman's racism.

It is a result of the slavery. Babylon has told the black man that black people were created by the white geezus to obey the white man. It is in this context one has to understand "black is the best" and remarks like that. If a Rasta says Yesus is Black, this has nothing to do with some so called racist thing, it is an answer to the babylonian who say geezus is white (and draws wicked conclusions out of it).

Yesus is on the side of the sufferer and the downpressed, agreed? So Yesus is black.

If you don't overstand this, you miss the whole point about Rasta and you will never be able to fully grasp what Rastafari is.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 420
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 29 Apr 2004 18:23 Post subject: quote

MD

> **Quote:**
> If a Rasta says Yesus is Black, this has nothing to do with some so called racist thing, it is an answer to the babylonian who say geezus is white (and draws wicked conclusions out of it).

WOW! So true!

MD

> **Quote:**
> If you don't overstand this, you miss the whole point about Rasta and you will never be able to fully grasp what Rastafari is.

The problem is that many, many people do not know this and don't care enough to find out about this. So the key to overstanding "ANYTHING" is to not follow any "belief" or "sytem" or "opinion"!

Follow JESUS CHRIST for He is the WAY! And if following YESUS leads a man (white or black) to rastafari then it is to be. Yet, it CANNOT be said that all men (white or black) should or need to be rastafarians. Nor should it be said that all men need or should be christian. These are words that we use to "classify" people. We (as beleivers) are the body of CHRIST wether christian or rasta. As we know that JAH word is clear who is and who isn't a follower of YESHUA!

1 John 2:23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father:[but] he that acknowledgeeth the Son hath the Father also. 24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Apr 2004 04:21 Post subject: quote

I agree with your analysis concerning "the problem". Another problem added to that is that the same people think, because of some reason, they can judge Rastafari still.

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lioness

Joined: 30 Apr 2004
Posts: 4
Location: Los Angeles, Ca.

Posted: 01 May 2004 18:18 Post subject: quote

Greetings and Blessings!!!
If InI is a Rasta then there is no need to discuss the "difference" between Rasta and Christianity, seen? Rasta is a Christian faith!! all Christian sects have their personal prophets, preachers, and/or pontiffs. For the Rasta community these inspirational peoples stem from times past into times present. Our faith was strengthend by the union of King Solomom with the Queen of Sheba, and if our royal lineage passes through King Solomon then it must flow also through Yesus Christ, seen? So there may be some diffrences in doctrine and reasonin, but the foundation remains the same!!! Rasta know and overstand that salvation is through Yesus Christ for InI read the scriptures, but forwarding into the future we know and comprehend that Jah had to send prophets to bring the faith back to the people it was seperated from, to teach and/or remind them that they too were/are part of this I-story. All reasonins is

positive, for InI gain knowledge, if of nothing else then of self, but instead on focussing itinually on the difference the I & InI should focus on what we share in common-spiritual knowledge.

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Jah Guide Bless & Protect!!!

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burt_nader
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2003
Posts: 131
Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon

Posted: 02 May 2004 01:52 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

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> Yesus is on the side of the sufferer and the downpressed, agreed? So Yesus is black.
>
> If you don't overstand this, you miss the whole point about Rasta and you will never be able to fully grasp what Rastafari is.

Well Mister Dread, The reason I bring up the ras vs christian debate is because Rasta IS christian according to Salassie. My aim is to expose the racism and intolerance of Rasta and bring about the unity of all children of God.
You explain the reasons for the racism, but the fact it is still there, as if any white person was never a sufferer, does that distinction only belong to african people? As if Jesus was not a Jewish person, what some might consider white. But the point is, it doesnt matter what color he was except to those who are hung up with the racism.

Dont you know that the white guy is praying to the same god as the dread? If you cant be in unity in Christ, you are then refusing Christ.

No matter what history people have, I can't support racism against white

	people against black people against jews against muslims arabs whatever type of human you may be. The past doesn't justify the hate. There should be unity with all races in jesus. Not a seperation. That is one of the main points of the New Testement. For who is your real family? those with the same skin tones? or the Family of God?
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Author	Message
burt_nader Forum Veteran Joined: 13 Nov 2003 Posts: 131 Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon	Posted: 02 May 2004 02:16 Post subject: quote and thanks for all the responses, I have been overly critical on this board before, but I am here to just reason and discuss the crucial philosophies. And Lioness, right on, you are a godblessed child for sure. respect.
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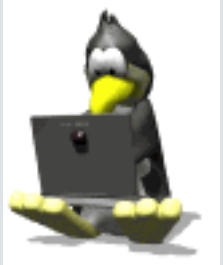
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 02 May 2004 05:14 Post subject: quote When you truly feel that there is no difference between the human race, then why do you worry so much? _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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burt_nader
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2003
Posts: 131
Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon

Posted: 02 May 2004 06:01 Post subject: quote

I would like to see every racist to be reborn as the race they despise the most with full rememberance of their hatred. May Christ greet you in heaven as whatever race you are hung up with.

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SZAR

Joined: 16 Apr 2004
Posts: 17

Posted: 02 May 2004 09:07 Post subject: quote

CHRISTIAN CHRISTian

Hello all.

Just finished work where I spent some of my shift reading through Matthew and Christs teachings and guidance. Some debates are showing how difficult we are finding to follow our Saviours guidance.

JAH gave us TEN COMMANDMENTS. JESUS CHRIST gave us further guidance on how to be RIGHTEOUS, and died for us.

We all may have different views and ideas but lets not forget our sole purpose. Do we really believe JAH would be best please in seeing the way we (I say plurally) fiercely debate.
Sometimes I see the nature of wolves as opposed to lambs.

All I really wanted to say is for alls sake. After/during reasoning lets not leave LOVE at home.

Written because I often see more concentration tearing each other apart on the technical rather than soley seeking to please JAH. (as well as ourselves)

LOVE

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LOVE worketh No Ill to his Neighbour, therefore LOVE is the fulfilling of the law.

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Christafari is not interested in updating their info because what is written now suits them better

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 13 Aug 2004 07:33 Post subject: When Will The Christafari FAQ Be Updated With Propper Info? quote Greetings, we had massive discussions here as to what is Rasta. We have had moderators on this forum admitting that the Christafari FAQ not only doesn't seem to cover the thoughts of Christafari concerning Rastafari, even admitting the factual incorrectness of it, we've read that the need for a FAQ update is realized at LOZ. But that's about all... When Mark Mohr is directly confronted with this and asked about the FAQ, he doesn't reply. When other visitors here display the fruits of the FAQ when they talk about a Rastafari which fits the description in the FAQ and when other people then try to do something about that (in this case, myself) we get an angry

moderator.

This got to stop because every week/month that the FAQ isn't updated you are all losing credibility. I am starting to think that there is no intention whatsoever to change the FAQ. I am starting to think that there is a reason why the FAQ is written why it is.

This forum is called "witnessing to Rastas". So here people can kind of "practice" for that, right? And then, when the occasional Rasta/12B Rasta enters here, he gets flamed by people of which the majority of their information comes from the Christafari FAQ.

When the impression that you give the 1 1/2 Rasta/12B Rasta that enter here is in fact the impression you want to give, then don't change your FAQ and keep spreading false information concerning the very group you claim you want to reach, but please do not pretend you're going to change anything.

And when you see this as an attack too, I've seen enough.

I love the truth. And I do not need to manipulate information in order to spread my message. When my message is Yesus Kristos message I do not have to fear about impressions, I do not have to fear anything. But if I give false information and the fruits of this false information is far from what the Bible calls the Fruits Of The Spirit, maybe I do...

Think about it.

This FAQ has to be updated. Mark Mohr has to come out and speak more clearly. Because the fruits of spreading false information are to be seen on this forum, right here, where most Christians do admittidly not even know a thing about Rasta, not even the difference between our Savior and the white geezus, but still think they have the right the speak out against Rasta. Does that forward the Kingdom of JAH or does it satisfy the political correct heart?

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One Love,

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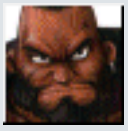
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 13 Aug 2004 16:05 Post subject:

I haven't really spent much time looking at the FAQ. What portions concern you so much?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 13 Aug 2004 19:54 Post subject:

Jetze,

you were offered an opportunity to write a correct definition of what a Rasta was. You merely answered something about a person who knows Ethiopia's place in history and sees Babylon for what it is. Or something close to that.

You have not angered me in any way and my toes have not been stepped on, but I am getting to impression that your place here is not one of bringing correct info but merely your spin on what we should think. Read again what ALL was said in the previous thread on this topic. There was alot covered.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 13 Aug 2004 20:21 Post subject: quote

dread

Its a waste of time forcing a cow to drink water when it doest want .

Now I'm COMING to clearly understand who this so called x-ristians are working for on the downlow. Is it for the x-ristian engineered philosophy that have been used to harm ethiopians & other oppressed peoples of the world?? ? **or is it the mighty heavenly superior YESUS wisdom/love that Selasie(H.I.M.) came with that supercede their engineered bibilical anti-poor/colonising/enslaving jesus(geezus) philosophies???** ???

"GIDAMAWI" H.I.M. TRUE WISDOM & CONFIDENCE.

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 13 Aug 2004 20:56 Post subject: quote

YOU CANT REALLY DEFINE RASTAFARI TO ANYONE ESPECIALLY TO THOSE WITH ANTI-RASTA AGENDAS IN MERE WORDS, CAUSE ITS MORE OF ACTION & GOES BEYOND MERE WORDING 'PASSA'PASSA' BUT I CAN TRY-->>>

"THIS IS A SPIRIT THAT WONT REST, UNTIL ALL THE WICKED SPIRITS THAT ARE A DRIVING FORCE IN ALL EMPIRE HOGS/ OPRESSORS OF ALL RACES/ ALL WICKED MEN..... IS FINALLY CONQOUERED & THE LONG LOST SPIRITUAL CREATORS TRUTH IS TRUSTFULLY REVEALED TO THE DOWNPRESSED AS HAS ALWAYS BEEN SINCE & BEFORE YESHUAH AS THE REVELATION GIVEN BY HIS MAJESTY EMPORER HAILE SELASIE THE FIRST! JAH KNOW!!

BLESS!!!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Aug 2004 17:59 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> Jetze,
>
> you were offered an opportunity to write a correct definition of what a Rasta was.

So were you, for a long time now. And that not in order to contribute to a reasoning, but more serious as the definition of Rasta as it is written now in the FAQ has been admittedly identified as false.

Quote:

> You have not angered me in any way and my toes have not been stepped on, but I am getting to impression that your place here is not one of bringing correct info but merely your spin on what we should think.

I am not speaking in that language. I am not telling you what to think. I am telling you what I think and I do that in order to get some conversation and reasoning.

Quote:

> Read again what ALL was said in the previous thread on this topic. There was alot covered.

And when is that extensive info going to be applied as source for a rewriting of the FAQ as it keeps on misleading people?

Should I again point out to the ignorance? People having their christianese correct statements concerning Rastafari ready, and when you check it they get their info from the LOZ FAQ of which you as a moderator has allready admitted that it is wrong.

This FAQ should be updated and not because I say so BUT BECAUSE YOU SAID SO.

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 15 Aug 2004 18:48 Post subject: quote

Every single person who comes here and is ignorant of Rasta is responsilbe for them selves. If they want to know what Rasta is, it is much easier to type Rasta in a Google Search Box. Every person who wants to know the extent of this topic will find out the correct info. As far as the FAQ goes, I have no access to that. My place is moderator.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 11:32 Post subject: quote

Ah, the shift again.

I agree with you that it is better to do a google search for Rasta then to read the Christafari FAQ. When someone wants to be informed, that is. The problem is, that you say that to me. And you do not say that to all those people who post here from time to time, having "discussions" with "rasta" is this practice place called "Rasta and Ganja Reasoning".

You dodge the subject. We have indeed had massive discussions here, about the definition of Rastafari as it is written in the FAQ. It is plain and obvious to see what this FAQ does. You can see that right here in this forum.

You say that Christafari is not responsible for what people do with the message they bring. The message they bring in the FAQ is that "the Rastas" are just as "unchristian" as the satanic metallers that are being reached by "Pastor Bob Beeman", who "ordained" Mark Mohr "pastor".

All this has been talked over extensively. It is admitted that the FAQ isn't correct. Mark Mohr is confronted with this (not by me) and he does not reply, not showing that he knows the neccesity for such an update.

When I read closely what people who claim to know where Mark Mohr stands now write, it is said that Mark Mohr grew and he now does not anymore do it like he used to do. In other words, he now knows that it isn't so in a wrong/right paradigm when it comes to Rasta.

Look, I repeatly point out to the ignorance of people posting here. Ignorance because their main source of info on Rasta is the Christafari FAQ. I know Christafari puts a lot of relevance into the appearance.

It is said, that Messian Dread music can not be sold on Lion Of Zion because Messian Dread does noty want to speak out against any ganja usage. It is said that this would be not so good if there was an artist of which it is known that he does not want to speak out against ganja. This is how much important Christafari finds the "public image".

But not when it comes to Rastafari. Then you now say: "It doesn't matter if people look like a fool because they are only informed by the Christafari FAQ, they should google themselves into knowledge". That's kind of respectfull to the people who are informed by you.

Take your responsibility, Christafari, and I know you Blaminack are a moderator but you do have the possibility to point out to the neccesity to the webmaster.

Or are you now saying that this subject is only discussed in this forum and it has not even been a point on any agenda?

Isn't Christafari interested in the fact they admittedly spread false info, where even the fruits of this are also visible, and definitely does not bring the "target group" an inch closer to Yesus Kristos?

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 16 Aug 2004 12:02 Post subject: quote You have just as much access to the web master as I do. I don't recall any one that is part of Christafari saying thing about what they think of the FAQ. There is no shift. Again you have complained to the highest heavens about the perceived errors, but yet you offer nothing in the way of a better definition. I could show tons of places online where the info is right on. But then I could also show tons of places that make it very fuzzy. How about the Rasta's website that makes the claim that God's name is in fact cannibas? Or how about the Rasta who says that true Ancient teachings for the black man come from the Temple of Orisha, or mix it in with a bit of New Age teachings. Or how about the Rastas that claim that Charles Edwards is the black Christ? Or

how about those that say the white men can have nothing to do with real rasta teachings? Would you deny that those that say such things are part of a cult?

Then on the other hand there are those the believe the teachings of the Bible in a very reasonable way, that love and accept the same Christ that the Bible teaches. Who also reject ganja use. Yet they still claim Rasta...

Again offer up a definition that covers every one of them so we have something that is accurate.

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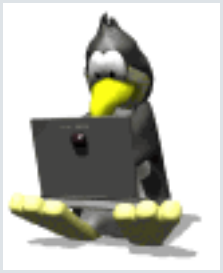

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 15:55 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

> You have just as much access to the web master as I do. I don't recall any one that is part of Christafari saying thing about what they think of the FAQ. There is no shift.

Well, I guess then that all the discussion have been for nothing.

When I filter the rhetoric and debate techniques you utizilize out of what you write, I see you are not one bit interested in this all.

People come here and they have their info from the Christafari FAQ. Then they come here and start to "witness to Rastas" in such a way that I am happy with all those Rastafarians who DO see the difference between the babylonian idol geezus and the Saviour Yesus Kristos for otherwise they would have really hated the Son of JAH.

But so what, after all, you have the political correct massive behind you, and I am just a cannabis promoting rebel with nothing better to do.

Shame on you and I am serious in that.

I've had enough.

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One Love,

Messian Dread.
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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 18:07 Post subject: quote

I think that this FAQ information is a valid point of contention, however, I am not sure what the proper path towards resolution is.

When I read some of the information in the FAQ section, I am offended when I see that my views/convictions are not intelligently represented. Also, what I find frustrating is the use of RasTafari symbolism and phraseology used within a forum that is not RasTafari friendly. When I see the lion and sceptre, the mitre on his head and the magens in a reggae context, the ethio colors; I can only conclude this is RasTa conscious, if not RasTafari, information and music. This is not the case. I have not encountered Christian reggae from the islands with such a RasTa slant as far as imagery is concerned. I find this to be very unusual.

I purchased a Gotee Record VHS at a dollar store in my area and watched the Christafari interview and video. One of the definitions of Christafari is, "Christ, the Creator." Ras Tafari means, "Head Creator" or, rather, it is the title of nobility and Tafari which means, "Creator." It is evident that Christafari is a derivative of Christari. Also, Mr. Mohr states the bass player from a rock band, after being given some info from a new song states, "You are not a RasTafarian, now you are a Christafarian." Something to this effect is stated. Christafari is an outgrowth of Mr. Mohr's interest in RasTafari. This is evident to the eyes of any true student of RasTafari. I do not have a problem with this. This, on the other hand, is where I see a problem.

Mr. Mohr and others who could bring clarity to the RasTafari/Christafari question, set apart no time to discuss this

topic. Many of the topics on the Rasta and Ganja Reasoning board are discussed in ignorance and arrogance. I, myself, have contributed to both of these categories. If Mr. Mohr would step up and bring clarity to the discussion, some of this friction could be resolved. No one has exclusive rights to Ethio, RasTa, and Afrika conscious imagery. I don't expect him or anyone else to discontinue behaviors that they deem acceptable, however, a little clarity and involvement in the board would be helpful. A brief synopsis of his journey from RasTafari to faith in Christ would clear up a lot of these arguments. In all honesty, I doubt that this will happen.

Anyway, as I look back over this board, I think that it should be discontinued. No real dialogue occurs here and Mr. Mohr, whom I view as a leader in the Christian/Rasta dialogue on this site, is conspicuously absent. A lot of this drama could be eliminate with a simple post, but this does appear to be the avenue of choice for the administers of this board.

In good faith, I will try to email Mr. Mohr directly and await a response (I understand that he is on tour). It is best to let people speak for themselves. I would simply like to know his side of the story concerning his trod in Rastafari and his eventual conversion to a Christian faith.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 18:22 Post subject: quote

Jetze you are wrong in saying that I am not interested. Do you not think that I could have better things to do than answer your complaints?

This has nothing to do with political correctness! That is your rhetorical way of trying to shut down the conversation yourself.

You're still mad that I am not swayed by the arguments that you have presented about Ganja? Why do I need your shame? I am NOT ashamed of telling the truth about the teachings of the Bible.

As far as your comments about witnessing to Rastas, sure there are some that come here that can be overzealous, and immature. Any Rasta can see through that. But for the most part the ones that take part in these conversations are knowledgable about the topic. Ras B, Coolpoet, Talking Dog, Jah Servant, for example. These are all about sharing the truth in love. Is that where the problem is?

We are here to offer Christ. Not force. Not coerce, either but why should we not speak truth as it is? I am truly sorry if we don't see things the same. I strive to live out Biblical Christianity, and if you can show where I stray from that then please let me know because if I am wrong in that then I MUST repent. But if the problem is that I speak the truth as I know it to be then the problem is not mine.

We have talked and talked and talked about what needs to change in the FAQ but you will not offer up something that would suit the purpose of the point better. I did however see some places that I needed to change in my thinking, there. One was to try to not make generalities. Be specific about which person or group I am refering to. Will you do the same in regards to Christians?

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 18:38 Post subject: quote

I've just read the Bios at Christafari.com. Very interesting people.

Mr. Mohr was exposed to RasTafari @ 15 years of age and converted to the Christian belief system at the age of 17.75 or something like that. That leaves a very small window of opportunity to live the RasTafari way. Perhaps he has had a very limited exposure to the RasTa way, from a personal experience perspective (like myself). To live RasTafari at 15 is worlds apart from living it at 30 for instance. I am going to assume that his personal trod never left a very elementary state of growth and understanding of the complexities of RasTafari due to his age.

I think that this will greatly limit his effectiveness in transmitting the ideology to others as well as grasping it for himself, however, I have sent my email and await his (some moderator's) response.

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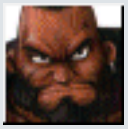
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 18:41 Post subject: quote

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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Posted: 16 Aug 2004 18:57 Post subject: quote

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 19:00 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
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That would be an excellent idea for a thread. As time permits, I think that I will initiate it.

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True. It should also be noted that many RasTafari consider themselves Xians. Consdier Mr. Cowan. His son is a preacher and he sights no conflict between his RasTa ideology and church attendance.

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RasTafari.

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Amharic is where he rec'd the, "Christ the Creator" term. Ras Tafari is like, "Head Creator" in Amharic. This was stated on the Gotee video that I mentioned.

Quote:

> Then why was your "only" conclusion that this would be "RasTa conscious, if not RasTafari, information and music"?

The combination of the symbology, along with the music style and content, is RasTafari in its cultural expression. He is free to do as he sees fit. It seems that, with such symbology, there should be more clarity concerning his relationship with RasTafari.

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 16 Aug 2004 19:26 Post subject: quote **aaronjudah wrote:** True. It should also be noted that many RasTafari consider themselves Xians. Consdier Mr. Cowan. His son is a preacher and he sights no conflict between his RasTa ideology and church attendance. Yes. There are many different kinds of Rastas and Christians. It would be nice if there were more representation in the FAQ. On the other hand, I don't think the FAQ holds any authority here except as an explanation of what Mohr himself believes. We forum participants --whether Rasta, Christian, or other-- are free to believe he is wrong about several things, especially regarding our own beliefs.

aaronjudah wrote:

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I still disagree. These were already Christian symbols, from long before Ras Tafari Makonnen was even born, and he recognized them as such. If Christians want to use them in conjunction with reggae or otherwise, that is their perogative. I am not denying that Rastas can use them, both in- and outside a reggae context. Certainly they may. It's just not legit to assume they somehow "belong to" Rastas exclusively, in any context.

aaronjudah wrote:

> Ras Tafari is like, "Head Creator" in Amharic.

In Amharic, Ras Tafari means "Prince/Duke To-Be-Feared."

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 19:27 Post subject: quote

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> Posted: Mon Aug 16, 2004 12:57 pm Post subject:
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> Arronjudah,
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> Am I wrong in thinking that you are recent convert to Twelve Tribes? You have come a long ways in your thinking in a short time too, is that not true?

I just joined in April '04. I don't think that I understand the question. Anyway, one thing that I learned from studying RasTafari is that it is complex. Even w/in TTOI there are different viewpoints. Some are Orthodox Xians, some are more aligned with Hebrew Israelite/Israelite ideology (like myself), some belief HIM to be Xrist in his 2nd advent. RasTafari is diverse. Some of the information in the FAQ section lends itself to conflict due to its rigid description of RasTafari.

The only thing in RasTafari that I would consider to be a common bond is the symbology that I mentioned elsewhere in this thread along with a certain Afikan consciousness. The general RasTa body understands the symbols. To see them in a Christafari context in conjunction with the name is initially confusing.

It is evident to me that Mr. Mohr has evolved tremendously in his thinking and belief system. A simple statement of clarity, "I was greatly influenced by RasTa imagery as a young person and still find them to be very inspirational, yet I profess a fundamentalist Xian faith," would go a long way in eliminating some of these discussions.

I don't have anything personal against him, but it does seem odd to allow certain arguments to rage and not step in with some clarity. Will it change the world? No. Would it open the doors to greater dialogue? Probably.

Like, I said originally, he is free to do as he wishes. Yet, some of

the foolishness on this board (that has rendered it ineffective) could be curtailed with a few personal statements.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 19:48 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> In Amharic, Ras Tafari means "Prince/Duke To-Be-Feared."

I believe that a very literal X-lation is, "Head Creator." This definition can be garnered from Christafari.com as well as Christafari information that is posted here.

http://www.vitanovis.com/English/experience/christafari.html

I only studied Amharic briefly and am no expert, however, I am positive about this, "Head Creator" definition. Mr. Mohr even agrees to such.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 19:56 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> **I used to be a Rasta.** I love Rastas and pray for them often.

This quote is made by Mark Mohr on the page that is linked above. It is found in the last paragraph of the page. This is why I feel that his input is so very vital to this forum.

http://www.vitanovis.com/English/experience/christafari.html

An individual who professes to have followed a RasTa way will invariably have something of value to add to a Xian/Rastafari

dialogue. This is why I believe that his statements could clear up a lot of these issues.

On an interesting sidenote:

Reading the information found at this link sounds like a lot of 12 Tribes RasTafari. The differences between M. Mohr's statements and a lot 12 Tribes members is minimal to none. I would be less shocked if Mr. Mohr said that he was a TTOI member than by seeing his appearance and symbology and watching him distance himself from RasTafari ideology.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 20:21 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah wrote:

> Mr. Mohr even agrees to such.

I think he's just following Rasta conventions on this point. I do not believe Mohr actually knows much (if any) Amharic.

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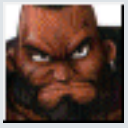

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 16 Aug 2004 20:37 Post subject: quote

> **aaronjudah wrote:**
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> I only studied Amharic briefly and am no expert, however, I am positive about this, "Head Creator" definition.

Despite Rasta convictions, all my Amharic resources say Tafari/Teferi means "one who is ferocious, one who is feared by his rivals," or some variation on that theme (e.g. "one who inspires awe"). I suppose I could take a survey of my Ethiopian friends who speak Amharic.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 17 Aug 2004 11:06 Post subject: quote

I haven't been around here so much recently as I get tired of a lot of unfruitful words flying back and forth.

On this subject, though, I have to agree with Jetze. Mark and Christafari have a responsibility to present fully-orbed and **accurate** statements acknowledging the breadth and diversity of rasta. The FAQ do not do this and mislead those without knowledge to adopt an outdated and quite imperfect UNDERstanding of the nature of rasta today.

It is not for Jetze or anyone outside of the site management to come up with "a better version". Mark and Christafari are responsible for that they allow to be projected and taught from their site. Jetze has taken his responsibility in this way in the Dubroom Itations.

If Mark knows and believes the current FAQ to be inaccurate then he should take responsibility for the content of the teaching and amend it. Maybe the website is fairly peripheral to his day to day life these days, but this is no excuse. His works and his words are looked to as being in some way "authoritative and trustworthy" by members of the christian community. To mislead these people is a serious thing when something can easily be done to correct the

false images and partial presentations which have been a feature of some aspects of the FAQ for as long as I have been involved here.

Failure to address or even dialogue meaningfully about these matters only reinforces the suspicions of some that there is a lack of integrity in this, and even that Mark dos not really care whetehr his website teaches the truth or not.

Like I say, it is a serious thing.

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Check out tracks by Talking Dog at
http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG

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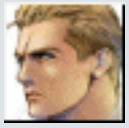
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 17 Aug 2004 11:18 Post subject: What are we talking about here? quote

Again, excuse me for my ignorence, but what exactly is wrong and false and untrue in the view of Rastafari of Mark Mohr and Christafari??? Talking Dog, Jetze, anyone???

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 17 Aug 2004 16:23 Post subject: quote I would sum up my personal disagreements in 2 brief statements: 1. The information presented does not represent the elements of RasTafari that believe the Messiah to be the way of salvation for humanity. Mr. Mohr has consistently stated that he shares his faith w/ Rastafari and encourages/coaches others to do likewise. He fails to state that there are individuals from the various bodies of Rastafari who have a biblical belief system and faith. If he and others are concerned about the salvation of those in the Rastafari movement, the least he could do is acknowledge the presence of those who hold such salvation faith. I am puzzled by the fact that he does not reference a few key Rastafari works that deal with the issue of Rastafari and Jesus in a very in depth manner. Perhaps, he has not read these works.

"Dread Jesus" is an excellent. This man actually spoke at a Xian festival (Cornerstone). He is a fundamentalist minister that has produced an excellent work concerning RasTafari and the concept of Jesus.

"HIM: Defender of the Faith." This is a book written by K. Naphtali, a long time Rastafarian and member of the TTOI. This book promotes the necessity of faith in the Messiah.

If Mr. Mohr, and others, are interested in RasTafari and Faith in Xrist/Messiah why don't they read/recommend these books? These works and the people who share the ideology of, as well as create these works, are absent from any of the information found in the FAQ.

2. The FAQ information presents info from RasTafari culture, but fails to give the significance that the various cultural and artistic symbols hold within the RasTafari movement. The info about Dreads; Red, Gold, Green; etc; present facts about these and other symbols, yet they fail to associate them with their origins. This, in my opinion, is why X-ians fail to recognize the serious message/symbol that is portrayed by Christafari imagery. The Lion of Zion, the colors, the half-man/half-lion, the magens, etc. are Rastafari imagery. Many Xians fail to understand the symbology and, therefore, do not see why some individuals express frustration or confusion concerning Christafari. For all intents and purposes, Christari is sending out the RasTa signal and waving the RasTa flag. When individuals draw close and see that this is not an accurate assessment of the band (Maybe not the band, but M. Mohr, specifically) and, in fact, they have stated certain things that distance them from and diminish Rastafari ideology and beliefs we become frustrated. Think of this example, there is a Rasta and Ganja Reasoning Forum on this site! What types of conclusions should Rastafari draw from this? When this type of behavior is taken to its natural conclusion, what you have is a large population of individuals who are talking, dressing and using symbols in arrogance. Many people do not realize the absurdity of seeing so many Xians who use Rasta imagery and language while

they badmouth the movement. In the process of this badmouthing, they reveal how little they understand about Rastafari and the people involve in the movement.

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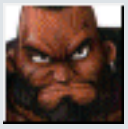

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Posted: 17 Aug 2004 17:21 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah wrote:

> 2. The FAQ information presents info from RasTafari culture, but fails to give the significance that the various cultural and artistic symbols hold within the RasTafari movement. The info about Dreads; Red, Gold, Green; etc; present facts about these and other symbols, yet they fail to associate them with their origins.

I definitely agree that the FAQ should include more (and more accurate) information about what these symbols mean among Rastas. It is a serious failure to ignore how potent and meaningful these images are among Rastas.

I disagree firmly, however, with your repeated claim that "the Lion of Zion, the colors, the half-man/half-lion, the magens, etc. are Rastafari imagery" and especially the implication (above) that they originate with Rastas.

The Lion of Judah, the colors, and the magens are all Christian symbols, and were Christian symbols long before Rastafari was ever conceived. Even before that, many of them are Jewish symbols. Jews and Christians, therefore, need no Rasta's permission to use those symbols in any context they wish. It is not "misleading" in any way for religious groups to use their own symbols as they wish, regardless what those symbols mean to other people.

A good example is the Hindu swastika. This has been a Hindu emblem for centuries, perhaps several millennia. It is a symbol as old as the Vedas, at least. The Buddha was a Hindu, and many

Hindu symbols, like the swastika, were also adopted by Buddhists. In the 20th century, the swastika was adopted by the Nazis.

The Nazis cannot claim that the swastika is their own exclusive symbol, as if they created it and have the only authority to define its meaning. It has belonged to Hindus and Buddhists since long before Nazis ever arrived on the scene. Hindus and Buddhists ascribed their own meaning to the symbol ages before Nazis tried to change it, and the Hindu meaning will always remain primary, regardless what Nazis desire. Hindus should not relinquish one of their oldest religious symbols to newcomer Nazis.

My point here is NOT to compare Rastas to Nazis. The point is that a new group cannot claim exclusive use of a symbol that existed for centuries or millennia before that group and its beliefs came into existence.

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After reviewing your site, I see that are some things in my statements that you could perceive and dealing with you specifically. I think that a lot of what I stated about imagery and symbolism does apply to you directly. However, the main point is not exclusivity of symbol and phraseology. The point is: if you present a group of images and symbols **in a Rastafari context** and do not explicitly delineate the thoughts and reasoning behind them, don't be surprised when you encounter questions and/or conflict.

No one people group has exclusive rights to YHWH/Jah/GOD. However, LOZ and Christafari, (admittedly so), as well as others, have contributed to the confusion of belief that has resulted from their amalgamation of certain cultural symbols and practices. That is why they discontinued using the term, "Jah."

Again, people can practice their faith as they wish. Each person should keep in my mind the messages that they are sending as a result of their faith expressions. Christafari and others can do as they wish, however, there are many out there who do not/do not want to acknowledge how much they owe to Rastafari for inspiring there spirituality.

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[quote][As for me, I have presently chosen not to use the name in our future recordings, and will only use it when personally witnessing to a rasta. For when I started Christafari and Lion of Zion ent., my primary goal was to see the rasta church become Christian, yet one of the regrettable fruits of my labor, (due to uneducated imitation by other artists) is the Christian church becoming more rasta. This was never my intention. It was not my desire to have a Christian congregation in Trinidad shouting out the name "JAH!" in their church services.
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http://www.lionofzion.com/faq/78da33b3040000a70070/Jah-+Why+Don't+We+Use+the+Name+Anymore?.html

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I am not a fan of Christafari or of Mohr, but I do not consider the "Lion of Zion" forum to be "a Rastafari context," nor do I think anyone would mistake it for one if they are willing to read it. The FAQ makes it clear that Mohr is *not a Rasta*, both by identifying him with Christianity ("We are born again non-denominational evangelical Christians") and by not representing the variety of Rastafarian beliefs very well (as many here have agreed, both Rastas and Christians). The context of this forum, then, is evangelical non-denominational Christianity, regardless of decoration. (And regardless of the affiliations of forum participants.)

As for the debt that Mohr's spirituality may or may not owe to Rastafarianism, Mohr claims to have been a Rasta at one time. He says that is where he's coming from, so I don't think he would deny being influenced by Rastafarianism at all. In fact, other Rastas complain that he *over*estimates the influence of Rastafarianism in his life (e.g. by denying that he was one for very long).

And if you stick around and pay attention, you'll note that many Christians in this forum openly say, with gratitude and without any reservation, that Rastafarianism was a profound positive influence in their lives. I have said elsewhere on this forum, for example, that listening to Rastafarian music in my youth is one of the reasons I take Scripture as seriously as I do. I don't mind saying I owe a huge debt to Rastafarianism in that regard. Rasta culture has been very important to me in many many ways.

On the other hand, you must not forget that Rastafarianism, though a unique and distinct religion, is largely derivative of

Judaism and Christianity. (As many religions are derivative of others, like Buddhism of Hinduism.) This creates a kind of "chicken and egg" problem. Rastafarians taught me to take Scripture seriously, and I owe that to Rastas; but Rastas got those Scriptures from Jews and Christians, and Rastas owe that to Christians. I think that a realistic view will acknowledge that such issues are not clear cut, but that we are interrelated.

There are much bigger influences in my spiritual life, of course, as you will know if you have indeed seen my website. I have devoted many years of my life to the study of ancient Christianity, and have a particular devotion to the theology and spirituality of the ancient Church in Africa and the Christian churches of the East. I do not hide this from anyone. The primary thing on the front page of my website is an ancient Christian statement of faith, following the texts of the Apostles' & Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creeds. It is obviously Christian.

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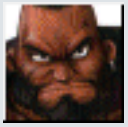

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I think an updated FAQ would be great, and I hope he responds positively when he gets a chance. I don't think a new one would please everyone, but it might be *more* accurate. Good luck!

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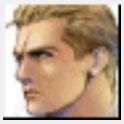
Irie-in-Christ Forum Veteran  Joined: 20 Aug 2003 Posts: 100 Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)	Posted: 17 Aug 2004 21:56 Post subject: quote Thanks aaronjudah and Jonagus for explaining what you think is wrong with the FAQ answers about Rasta. If I understand you correctly, aaronjudah, what's wrong with it, according to you , is that it overlooks certain 'houses' (as Jetze likes to call it) within rastafarianism, and secondly that the symbolism used is not fully explained. And then people might use symbols in arrogance or ignorence. I agree with you that rastafarianism holds different 'houses', and that there is a danger of giving an incomplete picture of what different rasta's believe. About the symbols, I more agree with Jonagus. I think he makes a good point. I just watched Luciano in San Francisco on DVD. Talking about symbols. The cross he has is not a real cross, but an anx: a religious symbol from Egypt, Africa. According to my bible (and that of Luciano I guess) this is not something that Jah is pleased with! I didn't hear him

explain this symbol, though.
Jonagus is right when he claims that rasta has its roots in christianity and Judaism. So I really don't think LOZ needs to explain more about these symbols.

So what I think is that the only thing that might be good to do, is that LOZ will tell more about the different houses within rastafarianism, or give a link to places where people can learn about this.

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Bless!
Jochem

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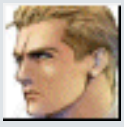

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By the way, when you read the FAQ for example about the difference between rasta's and christians I think Mark doesn't do it so badly! He starts by telling that it is not easy to give a short answer about this, because it's a complex thing. So maybe here he IS taking into account that there are different houses within rastafarianism.

Then he continues to tell what MOST rasta's believe, not what ALL rasta's believe. No problem here, I think.

But the mainpoint is this: this is the FAQ section. This means many people asked about rastafari and christianity. So because many people asked, this answer has been given. It is a short answer on a difficult matter. But I think it is a short but true and good answer. The idea of LOZ is not to give a thorough study about rastafarianism. That's not the idea here. But because many people ask, they gave an answer. And there is nothing wrong with this answer, I think.

So again my question is (also to Messian Dread): what exactly is wrong according to you, and what exactly needs to be updated at the FAQ????

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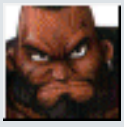

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Warthog, is your point that the cross may have looked like an ankh and that no one should assume it didn't?

If I understand you right, and that is what you're saying, it is a fair point that there is no actual description of it (though I doubt the Romans bothered putting a loop at the top). It probably looked like a T or t or part of a larger scaffold, since those were the dominant Roman styles (and the simplest/cheapest to construct). There had to be places for Y'shua to be nailed, and some way of affixing the sign above his head, but apart from that, we can only speculate based on early artistic depictions and archaeology.

As for Luciano wearing an ankh, it is an Egyptian hieroglyphic character related to the word "life." In ancient Egyptian funerary art, the gods offer an ankh to the entombed person to signify that the afterlife is a divine gift.

Inasmuch as the ankh means "life," I would not complain of any Christian or Rasta wearing one: both religions value life highly! We also believe that eternal life is a divine gift, though we believe it is a gift of YHWH/Jah/God rather than the gods of the Egyptian pantheon. In this sense, I do not find the ankh objectionable. It's more cross-like than the Thor's hammer, which many medieval Scandanavian crosses resembled.

It is interesting that the ankh resembles some forms of the *chi-rho*, too. (The chi-rho combines the first two letters of Christ, which look like XP in our alphabet. The most common form looks a bit like an ankh, because it looks like a P with a horizontal slash through the middle.)

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Posted: 18 Aug 2004 04:29 Post subject: quote

Is a "tone" the problem? Is the idea that some Rastas need to have the Real Christ the problem? Is the idea that ANY need Christ the problem? Is the idea that some one needs to witness to Rastas the problem? The Christian Church has missionaries that go to evangelize IN the Churches! Why? Because not every one has the REAL Christ. An Evangelists in most places don't go about preaching to the lost of the World but the lost of the Church. So the idea of witnessing to Rastas doesn't seem out of place when we have folks "witnessing" to the Church.

What is totally lost in this all is the point of the message. We have gotten so far from the message of love that is behind the purpose of the music in the first place. Is LOZ off base in the approach? Many would think so. Is there need for refinement? I think that could be said of us all. But the whole entire motivation is not to offend, or even "teach" what a Rasta is. It is not to make Rastas feel persecuted. THE WHOLE POINT AND IDEA OF IT ALL IS TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE HEAR THE MESSAGE OF THE GOSPEL. Can we really just get back to that?

Jetze, I am truly sorry for all of the confusion, I apologize for my part. I do

think that you would agree with me in that you just want to see men come to salvation in Christ. Can we both get to that?

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A couple of issues I see with this wrong vs right issue thing is that first of all we are dealing with just that: what's wrong vs. what's right. Then there is the issue of "Well now that Mark has updated the FAQ, he is still wrong...." It becomes a never-ending cycle as people change, and God changes people's hearts and beliefs as they grow in him. Personally I would rather see a record of how I used to think and be able to reflect on "where I am now", so perhaps it would be a good idea to give an update on the FAQ's.

I can also forsee people taking the FAQ's as dogma in application to both beliefs. I think that when this whole LOZ website was founded and this discussion board placed it served the purpose of "continuing the story" that is to say, well not all rasta's believe... and not all Christians believe.... so let's come together and reason. The fact is that obviously we don't all agree and really shouldn't as we are all individuals with our own opinions. The FAQ's in my opinion does needs some tweaking but you can't please everyone.

A better idea would be to write a book or an extended web essay and I believe that Mark was planning a book at one time, I asked him about it a few years back but I don't think it was at the forefront of his agenda.

[To Messian:]
Either way, Jezte I can understand the frustration but it's not neccessary to depend on this website or Mark's opinion about Rasta/Christianity. From your writings it seems as though you are taking it more seriously than it needs to be, and I know your quest for justice knowlege and truth continues as it should but when you boil the water down on this particular issue you are left with interpretation.

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Posted: 18 Aug 2004 06:03 Post subject: quote

CoolPoet I think you make a good point. The info in the FAQ's was most likely **a snapshot of where Mark Mohr's thoughts were at that time** in regards to his experiences and knowledge. I would say perhaps 10 or 14 years ago, perhaps the majority would have agreed with the generalizations made. The passage of time, the move of JAH's Spirit and the advent of the internet (not necessarily in that order!) have done much to change the definition of Rasta to encompass a much broader spectrum, including those who are saved by the blood of the Lamb though they embrace certain cultural elements.

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I second that too.. it was one of the things that I did not agree with Christafari's standpoint on not using the name Jah anymore. I still respect the band and still love their music and we as fans have to for goodness sake!!! step back a minute and allow Mark to be Mark and not be so critical of his decisions.

[Rant mode on:] I like aaronjuda's approach to the matter of speaking directly to him. There is a good reason why Mark does not respond to each and every single post and query. People will drive you mad trying to please them! Hptothetical newsbreak: "Mark decides to go being vegetarian to eating meat" Oh my goodness!! does that mean that because he is/was influenced by Rasta he made that decison? Are all rasta's vegetarian? Should Christians be vegetarian too? WHO CARES??!!! Does that help you get into the kindom of heaven?[/Rant mode off]

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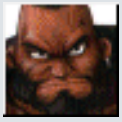

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I agree. Just because someone else uses a name does not mean we shouldn't. Some American Christians, for example, are refusing to call God "Allah," but I think the refusal is wrong. "Allah" is the Arabic word for "God," the word that appears in Arabic Bibles for "God," and the word Arabic Christians use. So we should preserve and utilize such names. They are ours as much as anyone else's.

But I also agree that using a proper name is better than merely saying "God," which is not really a name at all. YHWH is the covenant Name, and so has special value to us over "God."

On the other hand, reticence to speak the name YHWH is understandable. And that reticence is the origin of many circumlocutions, like Adonai (Lord) and HaShem (the Name)...

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 18 Aug 2004 18:53 Post subject: quote

coolpoete wrote:

> I like aaronjuda's approach to the matter of speaking directly to him.

I do too. I think that's the *only* way any improvments may be made, and I hope they are. But I also think it's good to emphasize that with so many different Christians and Rastas using the forum, there will always be some of us who aren't fully represented. We all need to recognize and accept that, and not blame Mohr for not achieving the impossible. The purpose of his website is to represent and answer questions about *him* and *his* beliefs & ministry, not us and ours (whether we are Christians or Rastas).

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 18 Aug 2004 21:41 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Are all rasta's vegetarian?

they should be

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 08:10 Post subject: quote

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Jonagus, my point exactly. I think you are referring to my comment:

Quote:

> But my mainpoint is this: this is the FAQ section. This means many people asked about rastafari and christianity. So because many people asked, this answer has been given. It is a short answer on a difficult matter. But I think it is a short but true and good answer. The idea of LOZ is not to give a thorough study about rastafarianism. That's not the idea here. But because many people ask, they gave an answer. And there is nothing wrong with this answer, I think.

I think what Jonagus said can end this discussion.

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Bless!

Jochem

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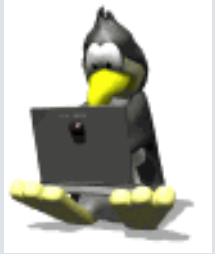
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 12:43 Post subject: quote

Ofcourse the discussion will be "ended" with no result other then the usual political correct crap.

I've spent the last 7 years waiting for Christafari to come clear on various things, I've witnessed all the postponing techniques and now I've really had it.

All the bla-bla-bla, it's enough now. Christafari is not interested in spreading correct information about the very group it used to say it wants to reach. People who come here, "educated" by LionOfZion portray a stance that will confirm everything Rasta has against geezus xianity. Only the wannabees

will not be negatively affected by it.

Christafari also doesn't care about this. Christafari does not seem to understand what it means to portray the geezus of babylon to the Rastas and say that that geezus is the Saviour.

In a way, Christafari is serving the agenda of those that want to keep Yesus Kristos out of everything.

So what I did is save many pages from this forum before they will be moderated away. I will write an in-depth article and place it on the Dubroom.

Because I got tired of witnessing the christafari techniques, seeing the bad fruits, seeing how my Lord and Saviour is being portrayed as the geezus of babylon. And that all to satisfy the sponsors and the socalled christian world, for christafari depends on "sponsors" who dictate the political correct stance of the day.

And yes, the using of RASTA SYMBOLOGY is disrespectfull when you view RASTA as satanic. It's only for the looks and only the wannabees don't care.

But you all go right ahead, feel good, feel as correct as you want to feel, no one but yourself and a few wannabees will agree with you.

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Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 13:00 Post subject: True picture? quote

Well Jezte, I can really see you've had enough from what you are writing. And as you know I know some about the Geezus of Babylon, while you gave me the book Dread Jesus that deals with this. But is your judgement correct, that Mark Mohr and Christafari are presenting this false Jesus to the people?

I don't agree with you that using rasta symbology is disrespectfull when you see rasta as satanic. (By the way, where is it said that everything about rasta is satanic?) If you reason like this, a man cannot use any symbols anymore if there's a group of people that also uses this symbols.

Now that you're back on this topic: I still don't see where all of this lacking and false information about rasta is at. Can you tell/show me?

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Bless!
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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 13:10 Post subject: quote

There used to be a .pdf of the tract that M. Mohr produced concerning RasTafari. I saw it somewhere on the net once.

Does anyone know where this can be found? To study this would probably bring more clarity to the topic. It would also allow us a greater understanding of M. Mohr's reasoning about Rastafari in relation to Xianty. I say this with the assumption that he was the one created the tract.

Does anyone know where I could find this tract on or off line. I am surprised that they do not offer here on the site. Maybe I am missing it.

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aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 19 Aug 2004 14:03 Post subject: quote http://www.lionofzion.com/forums/viewtopic.php?t=734 This is a link to an old post that I've found. I don't know how clarity it brings to the subject, but it does show that perhaps 2 things are true. 1. Mr. Mohr has more complex approach to the Rastafari question than the FAQ will permit discussion. 2. Personal contact is the best avenue. However, if the FAQ does not fully express his understanding, maybe it should be updated. This would, possibly, eliminate the need for personal contact. Maybe very few people contact him directly, though. Perhaps this is not a pressing issue amongst other issues that people are concerned about. _____ http://www.aaronjudah.com/ RasTafari Meditation

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
Posts: 826
Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 14:10 Post subject: quote

Why don't we wait a while here and be patient. Aaronjudah has already said he sent a letter to Mark Mohr with concerns and questions about the subject at hand. As Mark and the band are quite busy touring, I'm sure he doesn't get to check and respond to his e-mail frequently. I don't know if anyone else has e-mailed Mark directly on this (Jetze perhaps?), but I would think these issues would be addressed when he is able to. Knowing the seriousness of the commitment Mark has made to share the good news of Yeshua through reggae music, I think these issues would be very important to him.

Jetze, one thing I wonder is if you had the opportunity to speak directly with Mark at Greenbelt regarding these concerns. And look- I also agree that developing and promoting a better understanding of Rasta is of great importance, but let's be patient and see if it is addressed now that the issue has been brought to light and communicated to Mark directly.

I'd like to see a greater sense of unity here rather than the adversarial condition that seems to exist at times. As followers of Christ, our ultimate objectives should be the same though our approaches maybe quite different. Why not extend a little more grace when dealing with one another?

Aaronjudah, if I am not mistaken Jetze may have the tract in question on his website but I'm sure he'll clarify. I'd like to get a copy of it also. Perhaps this is where the info in the FAQ's section was derived from.

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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 14:12 Post subject: quote

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If anyone has access to this info, this is the pamphlet/tract/booklet that I am interested in. I see that Jah Pickney has read the information. Could you send me the info, JP?

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 14:42 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> I'd like to see a greater sense of unity here rather than the adversarial condition that seems to exist at times. As followers of Christ, our ultimate objectives should be the same though our approaches maybe quite different. Why not extend a little more grace when dealing with one another?

That is why I think that the RasTa FAQ information is not effective. How can there be unity when believing RasTafari are perceived as "deceived/deceiving themselves." This is a quote from M. Mohr that I have linked from his Talking Dog response. The FAQ also gives the impression that there are no individuals coming to faith through the study and livity of RasTafari. There is an assumption that Xians must go evangelize all of them. RasTafari is like many other cultures, they come to faith through reasoning. How did T. Cowan come to faith? How did his son become a pastor? YHWH/Jah works in ways that are not fathomable to humanity.

This fact should be acknowledged. However, I tend to lean towards Messian Dreads conclusion. Xianity seems to have a corporate element to it. If you do not conform in certain areas you will be "blackballed." Sometimes, I think that M. Mohr and others might feel pressured to remain "fundamentalist." I could be wrong, though. There are other individuals who remain ambiguous about RasTafari and Xianity. This group, POD, is a good example. I hear rumors of TTOI membership and see HR performing with them, but no official stance is made. I've seen a whole website dedicated to pulling down POD as "anti-Xrist."

Whatever that may mean. I am, personally, "anti-Xrist" and "pro-Messiah."

Anyway, if we want to get alongw we should all be allowed into the family. Didn't the Messiah say that he had sheep from another flock, or something to that paraphrased effect. This can be reasoned out to show that there are those who attain salvation faith apart from the standard channels of acceptable Xian spirituality. The FAQ and other aspects of Christafari are frustrating because there is no room made at the table for those who have found the Messiah apart from Xian culture. Just my thoughts.

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Jah Pickney
Moderator

Joined: 16 Nov 2001
Posts: 791
Location: Canada

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 15:26 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> If anyone has access to this info, this is the pamphlet/tract/booklet that I am interested in. I see that Jah Pickney has read the information. Could you send me the info, JP?

aaronjudah, I'm not sure how you can get a copy. Mark Mohr gave them to me personally many years ago. They do not cover everything, but are specific to certain topics. One is just about the divinity Selassie. It shows that he is not God through bilibal evidence and by comparing Christ with him. The other is a discussion about Ganja. It disputes through biblical evidence and personal experience the idea of ganja being used as a sacrament.

I know that there are other elements of Rasta too. And that many of you are upset that Mark seems to mainly discusses these elements. But among many Rastas these are main issues and these are things that need to be addressed as they are contrary to the truth of the God's word.

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 15:40 Post subject:

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I did understand that Mark Mohr wanted to "update" that book because of the contents.

I have waited for seven years, Mike Roots, the patience I think I have had it long enough. No Mark and I have not had the time to in-depth go into this when we met. He was in my country but we didn't meet either.

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The fact that "there is no shift" means that everything that LOZ wrote, including the Christ and Tafari book is still to be seen as the contemporary stance. In any way it is not changed and it is still causing bad fruits.

The only thing I can do now, in order to get something going, is to post an article on my website. And I am very sure it will be read with great interest by many people in the Rastafarian and Christian communities.

I'm not leaving here, well that is until they kick me out because of my "rebellion" or whatever the name of the game is, but I'm not going to try to get the discussion going here.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 15:53 Post subject: quote

I was under the impression that this info was distributed to the public. It seems peculiar to withold info that could give us some idea of M. Mohr's ideology concerning RasTafari.

The thought of this information only being available to a small circle is rather strange, in my opinion. Bring the truth to light and allow all of us to discuss and reason about it.

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 19 Aug 2004 16:03 Post subject: quote I am going to say the FAQ is supposed to be the standard Christafari conviction concerning RasTafari and the associated topics. This is the email response that I have thus far rec'd from my query. It explicitly states that the FAQ can answer most questions. I assume, from this info, that the FAQ is the official stance. I have posted the entire email for the sake of integrity. Please forgive the formatting. **Quote:** From : Christafari / Lion of Zion <mark@lionofzion.com> Sent : Thursday, August 19, 2004 12:31 PM To : <aaronjudah@hotmail.com> Subject : Re: Rastafari tract | | | Inbox Thank you for your message. We try to reply to as many messages as possible, butgiven the large influx of regular e-mails, we can't promise a personal responseto every single one.If you are seriously interested in booking Christafari or any other group with Lion of Zion Entertainment, please contact our booking office at (310) 539-2539. Besides this, almost any question that you can ask has already beenanswered at the FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) pages at http://www.lionofzion.com/ and http://www.christafari.com/ You may also consider visiting the forum at: http://www.lionofzion.com/forums and posting your question, comment, or encouraging words.Blessings in Christ,Christafari/Lion of Zionwww.christafari.comwww.lionofzion.com----------"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs withgratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed,do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father throughHim." (Col 3:16-17)Received: (fqmail 10219 invoked from network); 19 Aug 2004 12:31:29 -0000Received: from mx02.futurequest.net (mx02.futurequest.net [69.5.6.172]) by pt02.futurequest.net ([69.5.6.173]) with FQDP via TCP; 19 Aug 2004 12:31:29 -0000Received: (qmail 10457 invoked from network); 19 Aug 2004 12:31:29 -0000Received: from hotmail.com (bay12-

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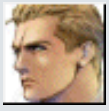

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 17:17 Post subject: quote

Hee Jetze, just a few days ago you were trying to get the humour going, because things were so serious (propa-ganja, remember).

Now the humour is totally gone, even to the point where you make statements like "But I think he's too chicken to debate me in public concerning this."

Is this way of talking the mind of Yesous, or is this the mind of Geezus? When you talk like this, I wonder if your motives are still pure and if Jah is still pleased. I'm not saying he is not pleased, bu He could be displeased, though.

On your website you make it appear that you are a humble man, that humbly presents his thoughts about rasta and christianity. Where did the humbleness go?

Are you still on a mission for Jah, or are you so caught up with your mission for truth, that you are starting to battle in a carnal way, in the flesh so to speak?
I know you know a lot on this subject, but when you're going to battle for truth, and do this without love, you'll only be like a ringing cimbal.

I overstand your frustration, but I think your anger is a bit out of control. So to bring back the humour a bit: you have waited for 7 years; but Jacob waited two times seven years. So let's lighten up a bit.

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Posted: 19 Aug 2004 17:54 Post subject: quote

Yes Aaron this shows that there is no need to wait for an update because it will not come.

Irie what you are trying is absurd. Do you not see how many words are written, only to be retracted with the words "there is no shift"? I have been waiting for years before publishing an in-depth article because I was promised "updates" and I was described "Mark's progression". I've had enough from this jojo-ing, it's traumatizing to allways be promised releief only to never get it.

Because "there is no shift".

Everyhing written in the FAQ is still to be considered the official doctrines of Christafarianism in spite of promises of updates. The letter to Aaron and Blaminak's final remarks show this clearly. There's ain't gonna come no change, i may be waiting until i die. And I am not going to be fooled into that. You say wait 2 more years, you would tell me in two years that i will have to wait another nine, and you would have to say so because nothing will change. And if nothing is going to change, then I see no need to postpone my publication because I postponed it because of the promised updates.

Humbleness has nothing to do with this. Do I have to show you the agressive letters I receive(d) in which some people like to quote Mark Mohr's remarks to me in order to proof their case that I am a false teacher only because I'm not into Christafarianism?

Do I have to sit and hold my breath while the Name of my Saviour is being used for things that the Name should not be used for?

Do I have to sit and wait while my brothers in Rastafari are being discredited and painted like idol worshippers by people who do not even know the difference between geezus and Yesus?

Do I have to sit and wait for some things that I know will never come only to not disturb the tranquility of the souls of those people who prefer to stay in their matrix?

I Say NO.

There is a difference between humbleness and cowardness. And I see a lot of corwardness labeled as humbleness.

Was Yesus humble when He throw the dung out of the temple?

Yes He Was. He Was Humble To His Heavenly Father Whom He Choosed To Please Rather Then The Religious Contemporary System Workers.

And as far as I'm concerned, this is all a very serious issue. This whole FAQ thing. Most here do not overstand what's going on, they seem to think that this is a neutral discussion subject. But it is not.

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Forum Veteran

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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:06 Post subject: quote

Just trying to pull togehter all of the threads that show that there is little done to clarify/update the RasTafari information on this site. The same concerns have been voiced by ZionSlave (and others) at this particular thread.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:10 Post subject: quote

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Mohr's actual words were "I feel that a true believer in one way or another that calls himself a Rastafarian is either deceived or deceiving." Reading this in context, "true believer" means "Christian" to Mohr (and perhaps something even more specific, a particular kind of Christian).

So he's not saying Rastas are deceived or deceiving (though he may think or say that elsewhere), he's saying *Christians who call themselves Rastas* are deceiving themselves in one way or another.

I am not saying that I agree with Mohr, only that we should fairly represent what he means.

> **Quote:**
>
> Xianity seems to have a corporate element to it. If you do not conform in certain areas you will be "blackballed." Sometimes, I think that M. Mohr and others might feel pressured to remain "fundamentalist."

This depends a lot on which Christians you associate with. There are many groups which emphasize conformity in matters that I would consider extremely superficial and totally unnecessary. This is one of the reasons I'm so leery of Evangelical Protestantism (especially the types who claim to be "non-denominational" --they tend to be *more* sectarian and conformist than the mainline denominations).

But not all Christian groups are like this --not even remotely! One of the reasons I love the Christian churches with ancient roots (Eastern Orthodox, Catholics, etc.) is that they try to inculturate the Gospel when they take it to different lands, and as a result, there is a lot of

variety (linguistic, cultural, artistic, social, devotional, legal, etc.) in their churches. Their stance seems to be "if we agree about essential things like doctrines and morality, we can and should be as different as we please about non-essentials" or the motto "in esentials unity, in non-essentials diversity, in all things charity." I am definitely not saying they always accomplish this perfectly, but they certainly strive for it more than others seem to do.

I once met a woman named Kristine Franklin, a Protestant who became Catholic, who was particularly concerned with the problem of Evangelical homogeneity and "religious colonialism." In an article about her missionary experiences in Latin America called "How I Solved the Catholic Problem," she wrote: "Evangelicals were (and are) importing wholesale a specifically American brand of piety, imposing the forms and symbols and jargon of 'American Christianity' on the people in other countries. This religious colonialism bothered me a lot."

It bothers me too.

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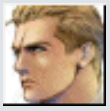

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:11 Post subject: quote

Messian, I understand what you are saying about Jesus in the temple. But Jesus didn't call other people 'chickens'. And there are other examples about Jesus, where he takes the injustice that's beeing done, without fighting it.
I just know out of my own experience that when people 'go' for truth, that's all that matters at a certain point. And then there is the danger that people are starting to sound as ringing cimbals.
But if you feel you have to do this; I'm not going to stop you. I just hope that Jah will be pleased with it, and that you won't hurt other peoples feelings, even when your feelings have been hurt. One love.

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Bless!
Jochem

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'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:17 Post subject: quote

Here is another thread that shows the varying understanding of RasTafari. The more that I consider this topic, the more intrigue I become. With so much information being exchanged (granted you have to wade through a lot of nonsense), I am surprised that no admin or M. Mohr has stepped in and given there input. Some what I have read of other threads, it has quelled some controversy in the past. Buju, for instance.

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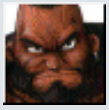

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:23 Post subject: quote

I'm gonna say again what I said before in different ways.

The FAQ *doesn't* represent *our* beliefs (whether we are Rasta or Christian), it represents *Mohr's* beliefs. And we all know that just by looking at the FAQ.

I know Mohr could never say enough to please everyone all the time, and none of us could, but I still wish Mohr would *update the FAQ and make it more accurate*. I hope that those who are especially offended by the FAQ are communicating with him directly.

Still, whether he updates or not, we *already know* that it represents *his* beliefs rather than ours. And no one is forcing us to agree with Mohr.

So we could just ignore the FAQ and talk about what *we* actually think, rather than what *Mohr* believes.

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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:45 Post subject: quote **Quote:** aaronjudah wrote: How can there be unity when believing RasTafari are perceived as "deceived/deceiving themselves." This is a quote from M. Mohr that I have linked from his Talking Dog response. Mohr's actual words were "I feel that a true believer in one way or another that calls himself a Rastafarian is either deceived or deceiving." Reading this in context, "true believer" means "Christian" to Mohr (and perhaps something even more specific, a particular kind of Christian). So he's not saying Rastas are deceived or deceiving (though he may think or say that elsewhere), he's saying Christians who call themselves Rastas are deceiving themselves in one way or another. A person who believes in salvation through the Messiah (i.e. a believer) and confesses to be a RasTa is deceived/deceiving. It gets no simpler than that. The comment that you made concerning his quote is the same as what I am implying. He (at the time of this writing) perceived

anyone who said that they followed RasTafari and believed in a Xian belief system (I assume Xian belief to mean biblical faith) is confused or confusing others. I don't see the misunderstanding in this statement.

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Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 19:47 Post subject: quote

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 20:27 Post subject: quote

> **JonaGus wrote:**
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> So we could just ignore the FAQ and talk about what *we* actually think, rather than what *Mohr* believes.

Could you please take a look at the title of this topic?

> **Irie wrote:**
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> But Jesus didn't call other people 'chickens'.

It's an english word for being afraid, it is not an insultive word. Paulus called Peter a hypocrite in public, but I am not going to defend myself for writing an article about something which I strongly disagree with.

Blaminack you will get the answer in my article.

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One Love,

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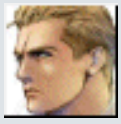

Joined: 20 Aug 2003
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Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 19 Aug 2004 21:12 Post subject: quote

Messian, it's not about words (chickens). It's that I sense some agression in your last posts. It's the way you say things, that makes me think your anger gets to you too much.
I also noticed that sometimes you try to shut someone up, by suggesting that other people are just trying to be political correct. Though sometimes this may be the case, I have the impression that you use this argument whenever it suites you, even when it doesn't make any sense in the context. Not everybody that disagrees with you is trying to be political correct, or is a wannabee or..... Seen?

But anyway, I sure wanna read the article that you are going to write.

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Bless!
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Posted: 19 Aug 2004 21:34 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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M. Dread says that promises were made. I don't have any knowledge of this. However, when I really begin to think about and study the situation, I do see why the FAQ's should be changed. The FAQ's as well as a greater clarification of M. Mohr's RasTafari testimony.

1. It is stated by M. Mohr that it is impossible to consider oneself to be RasTa and be 'saved.' I think that is why the facts are absent of the books that I've mentioned elsewhere as well as the consider of the TTOI stance presented by Prophet Gad. In Mohr's mind (at the time of his writing) it is not conceivable that a RasTa can be a Xian (believer) and vice versa. This utterly eliminates the work of the Spirit. If Messiah is the way, truth and life; why does it matter if you discover and follow him through the culture/symbolism of RasTafari? It also seems

contradictory, as stated before, that M. Mohr would use so much RasTa symbology while denying the move of Spirit upon the consciousness/conscience of many in the RasTafari movement.
2. By explaining how to 'witness' to RasTafari, it is implied that they are (generally) a people without a revelation of the power of the Messiah, YHWH/Jah, etc. There is too much information out there that proves that other Xians see the value and power of RasTafari as a purging agent that can move a people group towards a more true and accurate Afrikan/biblical consciousness. Without any mention of any of these scholarly Xian works as even a reference in the FAQ's is proof, in my opinion that there is gap in LOZ's understanding. Dread Jesus is an excellent Xian work that is never referenced on this site. I find that to be shameful when one considers that there is a Rasta/Ganja reasoning area on the site. How can a Xian, interested in bringing understanding and faith to RasTafari (and understanding the faith of RasTafari) ignore this seminal work? It is shameful.
3. In some of the links that I have posted here, M. Mohr claims to speak from a RasTa perspective. He was once a Rastafarian. When I do the math, I see that he did not adhere to the RasTafari livity for more than 2 years at the most and this time period was from the age of 15 to 17. I, personally, would like to hear more of his testimony from this time period. He claims to have been smoking crack and living like a hellian during this time. That is far removed from a lot of RasTafari that I am familiar with. To present himself as a former Rastafari and have no adult experience as such does little to validate his authoritative stance on certain matters of RasTafari.

He can do as he wishes, however, as I look at the matter in greater detail, I began to understand the situation differently. Are we brothers in the faith? Yes. Does he and others who gather their info from the site and/or share his views believe this to be true in a very real sense? I don't know. I'm awaiting the response.

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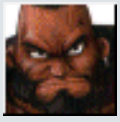

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Posted: 19 Aug 2004 22:21 Post subject: quote

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I know what the topic is. I think most people here, *including myself*, would like for the FAQ to be updated. I am glad that people have decided to *contact Mohr directly* about it. (I personally doubt he even reads this section of the forum much.) But even if it is never updated, the FAQ won't be the end of the world, and we won't be forced to agree with it.

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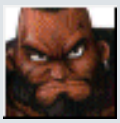

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Posted: 19 Aug 2004 23:50 Post subject: quote

blaminack wrote:

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Exactly. My beliefs are not Mohr's, and I don't assume that anyone else holds the same beliefs as Mohr unless they say so. The FAQ doesn't represent us, whether Rasta or Christian, just Mohr. (And even he may have different beliefs these days.)

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 00:39 Post subject: quote And that is part of why the huge size of this issue and circular reasonings baffles me. If they are Mark's views, is he then required to bow to anyone elses view of things? I guess that is what has really bothered me the most about this discussion. Many want to force some one else to alter their own website to make it more to the liking of some one else. That to me is Political Correctness, censorship. That is why I asked so many times for Messian Dread to come up with a better definition. Not to try to make him do the work for Mark but because I was/am really interested in what the answer would be. The entire purpose is to open discussion, not shut it down. As far as Arronjudah proposal to shut down this section of the site..... I would think that a person that holds the minority view would appreciate the platform to educate people of the opposing view. I know that I have learned alot from people such as your self, and many of the others. Many of the things that you have in contention with the FAQ could be discussed

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Forum Veteran

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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 03:03 Post subject:

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"The ignorant." That sounds bad. Did I say that somewhere? Hope not.

Anyway, this is my dilema. I don't know how this issue is to be resolved. This thread/discussion peaked my interest because I am currently reading a Frantz Fanon book (Black Skin, White Masks) and I see a lot of parallels. Two groups, seeking to liberate themselves from prejudices and view each other as people, need to free themselves from themselves in certain respects.

1. How can I respect Xians if I do not respect myself. If I don't know my beliefs and understand them, I cannot appreciate and understand Xian culture. If I harbor prejudice toward Xianity, how can I ever view them accurately.
2. How can Xians dialogue with RasTafari unless they are liberated from

their preconceptions, etc.

On this site, where it is proposed that we reason together, there is inaccurate information about one of the groups that are invited to dialogue. Xians are recommending that this misinformation be ignored and we just talk as if it is not there.

You don't want to have a racial reconciliation meeting in a confederate war memorial. Likewise, it is not right to expect RasTafari to show up and just talk in a 'room' that has incorrect information about them.

If you want to really dialogue and progress as equals, let's work together as a unified body and lobby to have the FAQ changed. In my posts, I validate the Xian as a true believer. If the courtesy is reciprocated, we can move forward.

Let's work as a group and create an accurate FAQ and submit it as a body to Mr. Mohr/LOZ. That would be worthwhile. That would be a thread/goal that I would be interested in contributing to. Let's work as equals. If it is believed that we all are united under Messiah, let's move as a unit.

I believe that this is a legitimate challenge to us all and it should be taken as such.

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Posted: 20 Aug 2004 03:21 Post subject: quote

I think that alot of what you propose is helpful and I am willing to work on this, but I would suggest that we not expect anything other than gaining of knowledge to be the goal. I say this because I cannot answer for the site, but my self only.

Let us lay some ground work by being as specific as possible. The reason is this.... Some Rastas smoke Ganja, some do not. Some believe in the Christ of the Bible, some totally reject him. Some Christians, belive in eternal security, some do not. Some belive in a Rapture, some do not. Do you see what I mean? I think that has been part of the problem. Here is another example... when a person says that Christians worship a false god that pertains to Babylon, how is that to be swallowed? Are all people who claim Christ doing so? By no means. So why would some one want

to discredit themselves by saying so?

I will begin by saying that I think that there is a better term for the kind of people being refered to by those statements as they can not be Chrisitans, other wise they would be following Christ. The word would be Churchians. It is the culture of Church that they are a part of rather than the Kingdom of Christ.

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Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Posted: 20 Aug 2004 07:15 Post subject: | quote

Quote:

> On this site, where it is proposed that we reason together, there is inaccurate information about one of the groups that are invited to dialogue. Xians are recommending that this misinformation be ignored and we just talk as if it is not there.

This just perpetuates and further dilutes what many are trying to explain and clarify. You have just made a broad generalized statement about Christianity that is just not true. It is what keeps the dialog between Christians and Rasta's in collision.... then complain when it is done abuout Rastas?

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How can you maintain that you say Mark has a "current" thinking, opposed to what is written in the faq, and yet "there is no shift"?

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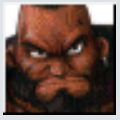

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> On this site, where it is proposed that we reason together, there is inaccurate information about one of the groups that are invited to dialogue. Xians are recommending that this misinformation be ignored and we just talk as if it is not there.

This is a misrepresentation of my point. My point was that *neither* Rastas nor Christians are fully represented in the FAQ. The FAQ doesn't present my Christian beliefs any better than your Rasta ones. We are both getting "shafted" by the FAQ.

But neither you nor I can change this if *Mohr* will not, because it's a FAQ about *his* beliefs and *only he controls it*. So if he will not change it, though people ask, the only thing you and I can do is move on with our lives and discuss *our own* beliefs between ourselves. I promise that I will never assume that the FAQ represents you if you will not assume that the FAQ represents me. I think this is a good way to continue our dialogues even if Mohr will not change.

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> Likewise, it is not right to expect RasTafari to show up and just talk in a 'room' that has incorrect information about them.

No one in this forum, to my knowledge, has claimed that the FAQ knows or represents your beliefs better than *you* do. I believe you when you say the FAQ is inaccurate. I don't take its word over your own. If our willingness to hear you out and try to understand you when you explain your beliefs --whether we agree or disagree about their truth-- is not good enough, I can't help you, because I can't change the FAQ myself. It isn't my website, it's Mohr's.

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blaminack
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Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 12:02 Post subject: quote

Jetze, you are totaly correct that it is an assumption on my part in that there may be places where Mark's view has changed a bit. I don't know this for a fact, but I have based that on certain clues. I am not trying to shift any thing.

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Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 20 Aug 2004 12:29 Post subject: quote

We all agree that there are misconceptions on both side of the argument. If we all agree on this point, why don't we all get together and, at least, delineate our points of essential agreement. Whenever there are points of contention, we should express them, but I would be interested in seeing if it is possible for a group of people to come and meet each other in the middle. The middle, in this case, would be the Messiah. Apart from culture disagreements, prejudices, etc. It would require that we surrender certain assumed superiorities and rights to be right, if you know what I mean. Essentially, we would have to admit that we have a common bond of the Messiah and that might be the only thing.

As I read this book, an excellent book, it becomes evident to me that this is an almost impossible goal. Everyone has an agenda and some people are not willing to set aside their personal goals.

I am proposing that we, as individuals, hammer out what is our common understanding of faith in the Messiah: find our commonalities, bring to light our false assumptions, condemn our prejudices, etc. and present them in an organized format. Perhaps, LOZ would find it interesting. Perhaps not. However, I think that it is a necessary step in order to advance past these elementary stages of discussion that this board has been stuck in.

I have searched as far back on this board as possible and have very little that should justify its existence. I would be willing to commit to making a really good thread that stops the generalizations and deals with RasTafari and Xians as people.

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 20 Aug 2004 22:36 Post subject: quote Aaron, this is a big task you propose, and will probably take a lot of time. There will probably be many missteps and miscommunications. But it may yet be worthwhile. Where and how should it begin? Are there specific topics that should be addressed? How many and in what order? This could be a great learning experience, but the scale of it may be daunting for most. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 21 Aug 2004 07:02 Post subject: quote **JonaGus wrote:**

> **aaronjudah wrote:**
>
> > On this site, where it is proposed that we reason together, there is inaccurate information about one of the groups that are invited to dialogue. Xians are recommending that this misinformation be ignored and we just talk as if it is not there.
>
> This is a misrepresentation of my point. My point was that *neither* Rastas nor Christians are fully represented in the FAQ. The FAQ doesn't present my Christian beliefs any better than your Rasta ones. We are both getting "shafted" by the FAQ.

Sorry for the misunderstanding!!

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 13:23 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
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> > JonaGus Posted: Fri Aug 20, 2004 4:36 pm Post subject:
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> > Aaron, this is a big task you propose, and will probably take a lot of time. There will probably be many missteps and miscommunications. But it may yet be worthwhile. Where and how should it begin? Are there specific topics that should be addressed? How many and in what order? This could be a great learning experience, but the scale of it may be daunting for most.

Of course it is a big task, but this is what everyone involved in the Rastafari/Xianity discussion is always saying is needed. Jetze, write a new FAQ; Aaron, write something that better reflects RasTafari; Xians say that they don't believe the fact is accurate. I say that we attempt it. It is better than what has been occuring in the past. Even now, with this offer on the table, there are still those who prefer to attack what they see as RasTafari descrepancies rather than work towards a serious understanding.

For all of the talk on the board, I am surprised to see that no one else has signed on to the project. Some of the most active posters in this forum have remained silent. Anyway, lets's give everyone a few days to see if they're interested and then let's start.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 13:30 Post subject: quote

I agree that this a huge task, And I think that is part of why I kept asking for Jetze to write something better. It is very easy to critque, with out offering a better solution. When this is accomplished it will still be a reflection of our opinions, and it may never change the views of the owner of this site. But for the sake of clarity let us start a new thread...

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 18:07 Post subject: quote

It is my opinion that this is not Jetze's problem. If all of us agree that the prevailing understanding of what RasTafari is considered to be is wrong, it is **our** responsibility to change it.

Mr. Mohr and others in LOZ have given little to no imput in this forum. The more that I study this subject, the more I see that there will probably be no response forthcoming from him. This is not a personal attack on him, this is a fact that I am stating. Mr. Mohr and company do not engage in any public RasTafari reasoning that I am aware of. Neither will they release the "Christ and Tafari" and herb booklet that has been published.

The burden of understanding, on this forum, is always placed upon the minority opinion. This is not fair. Let's knock out a definition as a group. That would be reasoning as opposed to this rhetorical posting nonsense that is rampant on this site. With or without Mr. Mohr's approval, I say we come to our understanding of each other. To look for leadership or approval from LOZ is one of the reasons why this forum is ineffective and perpetuates ignorance.

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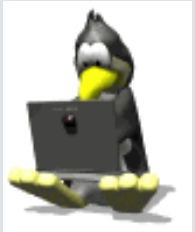
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 22 Aug 2004 23:52 Post subject: quote

I agree with Aaron. He said what had to be said.

And Blaminack I gave many many times answers to your quest for a definition. Dear brother, I have a website in which I have written loads of things! I write here too. Do you really need a definition from me? After all, the LOZFAQ is about all that we have. You have lots and lots more from me. With your inteligence, I think you can pretty much make your own conlcusion as to what my definition of Rastafari is.

But there is not so much agreement with my definition. I get letters from people who are inpired by the lozfaq and they label me false teacher with the loz faq as their resource material which they quote to me to show me that I am a false teacher. Literally, okay?

If that is what Christafari intends to work in the minds of their christafarians with their FAQ then they're doing a good job and have no need for a change. In any other case, they do have a responsibility to change the FAQ.

But, as allready established, this is not going to happen. Because it should have happenned long time ago. There is no sign whatsover that loz is at all interested in this matter. They don't seem to care.

I mean, this is really becoming a big joke. Here you have the lozfaq basically telling everyone in Rastafari that they can not be a Christian because they are in Rastafari, and there you have the moderator calling himself "Ras" and promoting Ital Things, telling us that all Rastas "should" eat this or that. How serious should we take LOZ?

Do You Care About These Things?

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 00:34 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread makes a good point. Why is a moderator called Ras B? I've seen pictures of him, also. He has dreadlocks and calls himself Ras B. In my mind that is a RasTafari. I don't understand how he could be allowed to operate with such contradictions within the Gathering. It seems to contradict the LOZ RasTa ideology.

However, that is not the topic of the thread. Some of us have agreed to work at coming to a better understanding of what RasTafari is. Those who have agreed to do so are setting out to do it.

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 03:09 Post subject: quote

http://ca.f1.pg.photos.yahoo.com/ph/jah_servant_again/detail?.dir=/9693&.dnm=4b7f.jpg

From my reading and research, I believe that Ras B is in this picture.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 23 Aug 2004 03:28 Post subject: quote Do You Care About These Things? Yes of course I do. And that I think respresents some of the shift in Mark's thinking that I mentioned seeing in my perspective. Jetze, my intention has not been to cause struggle and stress between us. Quite to the contrary. My desire for our conversation is to learn. Yoy have made much more impact than you may think. Ofcourse I don't agree with every area. But we are closer in views in some than you think. In my asking for your definition is so that I know it. I am truly interested in what you think and why you think it. It is not to be arrogant and obtrusive. I believe that you have the desire for people to find a relationship in Christ. If that is the case then we need to find ways to be allies instead of battling through every thing.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 03:41 Post subject:

Jetze,

I just read the article that you wrote in 2002 about this topic called Born Again Rasta. Do your current views still show up in this 2 year old article? If so I am hopeful, for the future.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 10:32 Post subject:

Again I agree with Aaron.

Yes, the Born Again Rasta Itation still represents my view.

It's easy to see how I approach and see Rastafari, and also my own position in this all. But it's not so important what MY view is.

You seem to say that you observe a shift in Mark Mohr's philosophical approach, yet you also establish "there is no shift".

What you said to me there was that there is no shift, there is no change. Yes some things, like a Ras in the LOZ staff, are in complete contradiction with the doctrines as laid out in the lozfaq.

The lozfaq has been quoted to me to proof to me that I am a false teacher. The lozfaq is used as basis for the reasaoning in many christafarians who are all so zealous to talk about a Rastafari they do not understand let go overstand.

There is no need in the minds of loz to update the faq. And that says a lot. Shift, no shift, whatever. People read the faq and they write to loz and they receive letters that the faq represents the faith views on loz. You have seen proof of that in this thread.

Now this is all very serious and loz doesn't care.

Take a look at the people who voted in my poll. Most people do not see that loz is interesting in updating their faq. Most people (including me) voted for the third option: loz has the benefit of the

doubt.

I'm really going through now in publishing this all on my website, I have been waiting too long. Maybe the publishing of that article will even cause loz to realize the neccestity for an update. Given the fact that LOZ is very very interested in public images this could very well be so.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 11:55 Post subject: quote

There are TWO DIFFERANT shifts that we are talking about. One is the shift in thinking that I believe that Mark HAS made. The other is the approach to this topic that you say that I had that I rejected. Go back and read the places where the word was used by me in context and you will see that.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 12:06 Post subject: quote

Okay, and what about the more important issues adressed in my previous postt?

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JuHok
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Aug 2003
Posts: 179
Location: Helsinki, Finland - the land of thousand fruitcakes

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 13:33 Post subject: quote

MD: If someone has quoted LOZ faq as some kind of an authority, I think it's that persons own ignorance to understand that a faq of a christian-reggae-band probably is not the best source for the right information about RasTafari. Though I myself have learned a lot about RasTafari from this site, but thru this forum and links posted in here, not really from the faq.

In my opinion the faq doesn't have to have a wide study of the RasTafari, but if it has some information about RasTafari then it should be correct. Even if there's not a wide information of RasTafari I think that the little one there should be the facts about different kind of RasTa-houses and the different kind of views of RasTafari. But this is all Mark Mohrs cup of tea and he chooses the way to take it the best way he sees. God bless his works.

blessings †

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In only one name.

http://www.juhanan.tulkinta.net/
http://mthnoshow.tulkinta.net/

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 18:18 Post subject: quote

> **aaronjudah wrote:**
> Let's knock out a definition as a group.

If "Rastafari" is the first term being defined, the Rastas among us had better start the definition. It is only just to allow them to express their own beliefs. Christians could only assist this part of the project by asking questions or for clarifications about misconceptions, etc.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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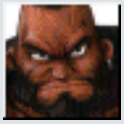

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Aug 2004 18:25 Post subject: quote

aaronjudah wrote:

> I've seen pictures of [Ras B], also. He has dreadlocks and calls himself Ras B. In my mind that is a RasTafari.

No everyone who locks is a Rasta. Many people wear locks for many different reasons. For some it is simply a fashion, for some it is "going natural," for others it is a proud affirmation of their heritage in a racist world that says "black is ugly or worthless," etc. I'm not a Rasta and I love locks. It isn't just some Rasta thing.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 24 Aug 2004 11:42 Post subject: quote **JuHok wrote:** MD: If someone has quoted LOZ faq as some kind of an authority, I think it's that persons own ignorance to understand that a faq of a christian-reggae-band probably is not the best source for the right information about RasTafari. If you are a member of Christafari, you can not have contact with a member of the opposite sex unless mark mohr gives you the permission. The reason for this is the image, what people might think. You can read that here in this website. Why do I write this? It's to show how important christafari claims to take it's image. A lot of actions by christafari are aimed at image building. The locks,

the symbology, the very strict rules imposed on members, it's all to get something across to the other one.

So if christafari takes it so serious what people might think when a man and a woman talk together that they impose the most bizarre rules, how come they don't care that their words are used by their associates to label brethren false teachers?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 24 Aug 2004 11:54 Post subject: quote

This is not by any means a bizarre rule... Many, if not all Christian ministry bands do things this way. It is not about image as much as accountability. It is an effort to maintain purity before God first.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Aug 2004 12:06 Post subject: quote

My previous reply to you was: "Okay, and what about the more important issues adressed in my previous post?"

You're making a habit into responding to the things that are not the point.

I ask now, what is you response to the last two paragraphs?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Aug 2004 12:08 Post subject: quote

Or even better, just the last paragraph?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 25 Aug 2004 12:35 Post subject: quote

Though again, I cannot answer for Mark, but I have never seen any associates do so. An associate is not some one who has merely read the FAQ.

I do find it interesting that you choose the word Brethren. By doing so you make alot more folks into associates....

Are not your words twisted by some? Is that your fault or the fault of the twister?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 25 Aug 2004 15:42 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
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> Though again, I cannot answer for Mark, but I have never seen any associates do so. An associate is not some one who has merely read the FAQ.

I know. Still I use the word. Do I have to explain further? I won't I'm not an informer I will never reveal names in public. You just have to take my word for it that I use the word appropriatly. You do not have to take it also, I know what I know.

I know words can be twisted but the faq is very clear and I have been gewtting mail from people quoting the faq for what it said, okay?

People actually quoted the faq good and they applied it how it has to be applied. That is the whole issue: the faq is wrong, and can not be used for positiveness. It is an abominable piece of work, it gives much much people information that when applied correctly does absolutely nothing for the Kingdom Of JAH.

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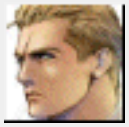
Irie-in-Christ
Forum Veteran



Joined: 20 Aug 2003
Posts: 100
Location: Abcoude (near Amsterdam)

Posted: 25 Aug 2004 19:20 Post subject: quote

MD says: "the faq is wrong, and can not be used for positiveness. It is an abominable piece of work, it gives much much people information that when applied correctly does absolutely nothing for the Kingdom Of JAH."

I have asked over and over again, but still no one has answered my question here: what exactly (please name specific and concrete things) is wrong with the faq????????

What parts are misused, so that brethren are called false teachers?

(and then it went silent)

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Bless!
Jochem

http://www.byss.org/

'Ain't no high like the Most High!'

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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 25 Aug 2004 21:14 Post subject: quote mm mm!! the chorus of what needs to be changed has been sung over & over for so long but has been falling on deaf ears. In my opinion, now I think they shouldnt change the christafari (FAQ), they should leave for everyone to see until one day when the ultimate truth comes out clear the the open, we will see whos who with reality & reliable evidence, & who are the underground fake false hypocrazy teachers
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Author	Message
†Oremus Forum Veteran Joined: 20 Oct 2003 Posts: 108	Posted: 25 Aug 2004 21:22 Post subject: quote **warthog wrote:** mm mm!! the chorus of what needs to be changed has been sung over & over for so long but has been falling on deaf ears. In my opinion, now I think they shouldnt change the christafari (FAQ), they should leave for everyone to see until one day when the ultimate truth comes out clear the the open, we will see whos who with reality & reliable evidence, & who are the underground fake false hypocrazy teachers Humility. I like that !! _____ What we do in life, echos in Eternity.
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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Aug 2004 11:50 Post subject: quote

I can't speak for "warthog", but every time a Rasta, a wannabee Rasta or another "dissident" expresses his disagreement in a certain emotional way, there will allways be people pointing out to the fact that critique isn't "peacefull"or "humble" or whatever.

So if someone comes to you, looking like you, dressed like you, talking like you, walking like you, only to show you how wrong and sinfull you are, I wouldn't be suprised if you would have an emotion towards that.

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
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Posted: 27 Aug 2004 16:21 Post subject: quote

> **Messian Dread wrote:**
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> So if someone comes to you, looking like you, dressed like you, talking like you, walking like you, only to show you how wrong and sinfull you are, I wouldn't be suprised if you would have an emotion towards that.

That is true, i understand your point in that way. Is that what he means by hypocrates and people pretending? If that is what he meant than I greatly misunderstood the man!!

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 27 Aug 2004 17:35 Post subject: quote

Ofcourse, that's the whole issue!

Why else do you think that certain informed and engaged people are so stressing the fact the lozfaq has to be changed? Because they know the results!

because it is the written words of christafari which is used as the foundation for the stance which i descibed in my previous posting in the second paragraph.

I and I have to deal with that issue many times.

Not only when people write to me, using the lozfaq as the bible to show me I am a false teacher because I do not wish to follow the political correct line.

Not only when people write to me, hurt and confused because they had a confrontation with a "christafarian" and now they do no longer know if they are saved.

Not only when people come and confuse me with christafari.

Not only when the christian mainstream press releases another abominable interview or article about chrtistafari in which rastafari is even portrayed worse the in the lozfaq. Just some articles: One describes Christafari laughing over the death of Bob Marley, another one quotes Mark Mohr speaking about his years "in Rastafari" but it is only about violence hard drugs and immorality. Everytime I write to Mark Mohr and the press they take some stuff back or whatever, but only after I point out to it.

Not only when Mark Mohr claims to have heard from JAH to start the first Christian Reggae Band, where it is documented that there were Christian Reggae Bands before Christafari and when Mark Mohr is confronted with that he changed the words that Jah supposedly spoke to him into creating the first AMERICAN Christian reggaer band.

Not only when in the forum right here you can see a perfect

illustration of what is also hapenning offline whenb "christafarians"are having contact with "rastafarians".

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One Love,

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 27 Aug 2004 18:52 Post subject: quote

MD, I invite you to join in the "defining Rastafari" thread. There has only been one Rasta contribution toward a definition so far, by aaronjudah. I don't think you identify yourself as a Rasta, but your obvious concern on their behalf makes me think you should probably contribute toward a more accurate definition of Rasta beliefs & practices.

If you know other Rastas here, please ask them to contribute. If there are other Rastas reading this thread, please contribute to the "defining Rastafari" thread. This is an important opportunity for you to speak for yourselves.

Christians, go to that thread and read the items that have been posted. Feel free to ask non-accusatory, non-argumentative questions. This is your opportunity to have Rastas show you a true picture of their own beliefs.

Please read the suggested guidelines when you enter the thread. I think they will help to keep the conversation civil and the submissions helpful.
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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 28 Aug 2004 03:22 Post subject: quote

Oremus

YOUR right you misunderstood me, we have suffered so long worldwide even till now especially under the roman church which has a history of breaking up & escaping blame & reality. So long havey been ganging up in religions harming the rastas & denying responsibility of blame religious-wise !!!

"GEDAMAWE" BLESS!!

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 04 Oct 2004 20:18 Post subject: quote

--this is in responce to certain comments on page 11--

seen, that is I-man at the top of that picture

i just read this thread for the first time and if i concepts and who am is a problem as a moderator please feel free with no hard feelings to remove I from that position.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 05 Oct 2004 10:22 Post subject: quote

You got a lot of reading to do before you will realize where you got yourself into

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Christafari is not interested in updating their info because what is written now suits them better

yes		**20%** [2]
no		**10%** [1]
I don't know		**70%** [7]

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Author	Message
coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 08:04 Post subject: quote **Messian Dread wrote:** I can't speak for "warthog", but every time a Rasta, a wannabee Rasta or another "dissident" expresses his disagreement in a certain emotional way, there will allways be people pointing out to the fact that critique isn't "peacefull"or "humble" or whatever. So if someone comes to you, looking like you, dressed like you, talking like you, walking like you, only to show you how wrong and sinfull you are, I wouldn't be suprised if you would have an emotion towards that. {Messian, I meant to write this a while ago but anyway here goes...} messian at the same time though when a few of us in here make posts that somewhat agree we get jumped on. When I wrote what I wrote back when about this topic your response was "and so the discussion ends ends with this political crap..." which I personally take offense to. My words are by no means to condone one viewpoint or the other as a

matter of fact I agree with you and I agree with some things that Christafari has written.

Sometimes I feel as though if someone does not jump on your bandwagon they automatically belong to someone else's and that's not true. I have said, Aaronjudah has said, Bill has said...etc.. that the views don't represent everyone, rasta and Christian. I totally understand your gripe with Mark and/or Christafari and I can agree.. if after all this time there are no responses then I would be upset too. Just be mindful of how sometimes your words can generalize which is not **our** (and I purposefully generalize here) intention.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 08:23 Post subject: quote

To those wishing the information be changed:

Let me pose a few questions here, and if they have already been answered please forgive my ignorance... and show me where they have been answered, thanks.

A journalist writing a story or article about a topic is supposed to remain neutral about the topic they are writing, yet you can (mostly) tell what opinion the writer holds.
1) Should the FAQ's be written in a way that simply states fact and not be opinionated?

Assuming that the changes were made, fact is fact, there are no generalizations, and the reader is given a skew-free version of Rasta and Christianity.
2) How then is the reader to understand Christafari and the context of symbols: Red gold green, "Lion of Zion" etc? My point being is that to answer the second question is to come back to the original point of contention of "Well, what they [Christafari] are saying is incorrect because for Rastas to say "Lion of Zion" means.... and for Christians to say "Lion of zion" means... and then we are back at zero. No

clarification, just confusion.

3) Is Christafari entitled to their own opinion of what Christianity and Rasta is? (Esp. when you think of Mark as a Pastor)

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 11:20 Post subject: quote

The reason why [1] is not applied is because then [2] will be revealed as having no basis in scripture either.

And do they have the right to their opinnion? Sure. If you want to believe the earth is flat, go right ahead.

I do not recall the statement you quoted me, but I'm sure I said it somewhere though

If I offended you by giving the impression that I do not see your ability to see nuances than I am sorry.

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Author	Message
coolpoete Forum Veteran Joined: 14 Jul 2002 Posts: 319 Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama	Posted: 16 Nov 2003 17:57 Post subject: White Jesus/Western Christianity quote Messian Dread, I would like to engage in some conversation here about your views on Western Christianity. Here are some quotes from some another post to begin: **Quote:** You seem to hold western believers in contempt Dread and view them as the only people defaming the name of the Lord. It also takes place in the Eastern world as well believe it or not. Not the true believers in the Saviour. In both west east north and south there is the Body of Christ and this is the true believers of all race color and creed. But western "christianity", as history reveals, is a part of babylon system and the "god" they "present", even if they call him "geezus christ", is not our Saviour. "Christianity", not "western believers". **Quote:**

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We all know that the images of Christ can serve to be a cultural stumbling block for many believers of many cultures all throughout the world. I don't quite understand what you mean from these quotes about the image of White Jesus and Western Christianity. Are you saying that all Westerners think that Jesus Christ is a white man, and that if they are not white something is wrong with them? Wouldn't there be something culturally wrong as well with the paintings of Jesus Christ as a brown skinned dreadlocked man? I would appreciate if you would elaborate here.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 17 Nov 2003 11:08 Post subject: quote

well i hope you dont mind if i respnd here a well poet,

not all westerners see Jesus as white these days but that image of Jesus is what western christianity is built on that is what founders though. and it is very possible that jesus was a brown skinned man with dreadlocks so there is not really any problem there.

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 17 Nov 2003 18:38 Post subject: quote

yes of course, Ras B. Please anyone who can give insight to this topic please do. Before I continue forgive me for asking and I do know my geography, but what areas/countries constitute this Western view, and are we speaking of a specific time period?

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Jah Servant
Forum Veteran

Joined: 01 Jun 2003
Posts: 402
Location: Canada

Posted: 18 Nov 2003 01:56 Post subject: quote

I live and grew up in Canada and I don't have a picture of a white Jesus in my head, truth is I'm not that interested in how dark His skin was/is or what style His hair was/is. The problem isn't so much that people have pushed the image of a white skinned Jesus on others, but that they didn't or don't live in a way to show Jesus in their lives. People who are Christians in name only, followers of Christ because of tradition, no relationship there no evidence of it in their lives. And this has affected particular people in such a way that they have turned away from the truth. This of course is the devils way, to infiltrate the church and ruin it's witness from the inside.

It would help if everyone could just realize that not all these people who claim the name Christian are actually Christians, and only judgement day will tell who is a real child of God. In the same way, many call themselves Rastas but live in a way that is against what most Rastas would believe is right, this goes for Moslem's and Buddhists and every other religion, it's a people problem, people slip into tradition very easily. So why has it affected Christanity so strongly but not these other religions? Because Christ is the only way, He's the truth and there is a huge spiritual battle going on to keep people from the truth. People are born into sin with a sinful nature and many don't come to terms with it even when they know the truth, it's easier to continue on than to change. It's easy to get caught up in this life and lose the eternal perspective that we need to have to live in a way that'll represent Christ.

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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 18 Nov 2003 21:02 Post subject: | quote

poet,

i would have to say most of europe which is western from the Holyland and north western from I-thiopia and north american continent which is also west of there would be inculded as well

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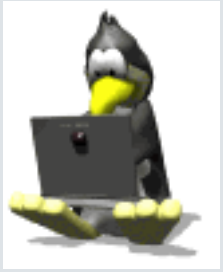
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 18 Nov 2003 21:07 Post subject: | quote

coolpoete wrote:

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I have a picture of this Black Jesus in my house. It was sent to me.

Ofcourse this is not primarily a colour thing in the sense of skin complexion. "Black" and "White" have to be seen within the context of Rastafari, Babylon and thing.

Now let's try to make some brighter vibes in this

History.

Black people from Africa taken to the "new world" to work as slaves and to build the foundation of the richess of western civilization. Correct?

These were slaves, they were to be kept under control. Correct?

Documentation reveals, that one of these methods was indoctrinating the idea that black people were created by "the god of the white man" to serve the white man. Correct?

Now this is the context in which the meaning of the words "black" and "white" are to be intepretated. This is why people do not want to follow the white geezus but they say JAH is black. Cause white stands for babylon and black for the enemies of babylon.

The "god of the white man", is the god who was served and is served by those who work for babylon system. This "god" is conviniently named with the same Name as our divine Saviour, but he is not He.

I hope that this explained at least so much to give you some more inspiration for some more remarks and questions.

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coolpoete
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Joined: 14 Jul 2002
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Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 18 Nov 2003 21:59 Post subject: quote

I understand the reason.. but maybe I am getting hung up on this:

> **Quote:**
> The "god of the white man", is the god who was served and is served by those who work for babylon system. This "god" is conviniently named with the same Name as our divine Saviour, but he is not He.

It sounds like you are referring to 2 different gods, or polytheism.. whereas most Christian-based religions are Monotheistic... I think.

Let me position this in another way:

1- Is it possible for us to be sinners and call ourselves Christians or followers of Christ?

now look at this question:

2- Is it possible for us to comit a racist crime and call ourselves Christian or followers of Christ?

My point is that many of us place degrees on sin making one morally

different than the other. If you steal a dollar, 10,000 dollars, wether you rape someone or have an affair but no one knows.. it's all sin, and we are all sinners. If the slave master rapes and kills a black woman, and the husband retaliates and kills the slave master they are both in the wrong no matter what the circumstance was. The human law system may say differently, but God measures a man's heartical intentions and judges accordingly. We may feel as though he was just for killing him, but there are consequences if not in this lifetime, the next.

As Jah Servant said, people have misrepresented Christ. It is important for Blacks having the experiences of Slavery not to be motivated to do things based on negative experiences. As hard and as difficult as the reality is I should not be motivated to just go to a black church because I don't like white people. The reality is though that people do it anyway. Their hearts have become hardened by bad experiences. I think that some people who choose to follow Rasta do it too. I listen to Sizzla and all I hear is "judgment".

(And I understand that not all rastas believe as Sizzla does, but the point is that they are all still united under the name Rasta, Just as judgemental and sinful Christians are still under the same name Christians.)

I am all for education and highlighting black/african history and the reality of the fact that many white people out here hold extreme views about non-whites that are similar.. too similar to the Klan. These people go to Church with but don't associate with the Blacks in their churches. They approach blacks and say ignorant comments and what not. It is not hard for me to understand that their fore-fathers believed that Jesus was white. That was their reality, and an ugly and frightening one at that. It does not mean that they didn't follow Christ or worshipped another God, it means that they harbored hatred for others (and sometimes acted on it) which is sin.

(To speak to the Abijah post briefly:) This is why I can relate to Rasta in that Bob Marley spoke out about injustices of race, and love for all humanity of all races. We can debate on wether he worshipped Selassie or not but to me it's irrelevant. That love he showed is a principle of

God. Jesus is God's son, but Jesus isn't the only example of God's love.

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Posted: 18 Nov 2003 23:18 Post subject: quote

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It sounds like you are referring to 2 different gods, or polytheism.. whereas most Christian-based religions are Monotheistic... I think.

Well, I am saying that there is a false god that is being referred to with the same name as the Name of our Lord and Saviour, the Divine Messiah Yesus.

The white geezus is ofcourse not (a) god. It is a false demon. Paulus talks about "different christs" who are received very well by a christian mainstream. This is who I mean.

The "god of the white man" is the spiritual entity that is the leading factor behind the wickedness. You can draw your conclusion as to who this being is.

The "white manb" is the man who works for babylon. Does not neccesarily implies his skin colour. I know also white people with black skins. Some calk them "bounty" (after the chocolate bar) but that's a different story. Or perhaps not.

Quote:

> Let me position this in another way:
>
> 1- Is it possible for us to be sinners and call ourselves Christians or followers of Christ?

I know what you are trying to imply with this. But the fact is not if there was a little bit more or less sin enough to "still" be considered a Christian or howevery you want to put it. The fact is, that the Name of our blessed Saviour is deliberatly used to downpress millions of people. This is not what the Bible calls carnal things playing their games to tempt us into sin, but what Jesus calls the wolfes, the different Christ.

I'll ask you a question.

Is it possible for us to deliberatly misuse the Name of Yesus to keep the world in slavery and to establish the kingdom of satan on earth and RIGHTFULLY call ourselves disciples of Yesus?

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Author	Message
Jah Servant Forum Veteran Joined: 01 Jun 2003 Posts: 402 Location: Canada	Posted: 19 Nov 2003 00:19 Post subject: quote People (those without a true relationship with YHWH) will misuse anything they can that will help their cause, they'll call themselves by any name that'll help fulfill their plans. So happens that there were just a bunch of "traditional Christians" as I like to put it, which are people who are like the people of Judah that Isaiah prophesies to in Chapter 1 of Isaiah. 2 Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth! For the LORD has spoken: "I have nourished and brought up children, And they have rebelled against Me; 3The ox knows its owner And the donkey its master's crib; But Israel does not know, My people do not consider." 4Alas, sinful nation, A people laden with iniquity, A brood of evildoers, Children who are corrupters! They have forsaken the LORD, They have provoked to anger The Holy One of Israel,

They have turned away backward.

5Why should you be stricken again?
You will revolt more and more.
The whole head is sick,
And the whole heart faints.
6From the sole of the foot even to the head,
There is no soundness in it,
But wounds and bruises and putrefying sores;
They have not been closed or bound up,
Or soothed with ointment.

But from verse 10 it really kicks in

10Hear the word of the LORD,
You rulers of Sodom;
Give ear to the law of our God,
You people of Gomorrah:
11"To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices to Me?"
Says the LORD.
"I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
And the fat of fed cattle.
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
Or of lambs or goats.

12"When you come to appear before Me,
Who has required this from your hand,
To trample My courts?
13Bring no more futile sacrifices;
Incense is an abomination to Me.
The New Moons, the Sabbaths, and the calling of assemblies--
I cannot endure iniquity and the sacred meeting.
14Your New Moons and your appointed feasts
My soul hates;
They are a trouble to Me,
I am weary of bearing them.
15When you spread out your hands,
I will hide My eyes from you;

Even though you make many prayers,
I will not hear.
Your hands are full of blood.

16"Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean;
Put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes.
Cease to do evil,
17Learn to do good;
Seek justice,
Rebuke the oppressor;[1]
Defend the fatherless,
Plead for the widow.

18"Come now, and let us reason together,"
Says the LORD,
"Though your sins are like scarlet,
They shall be as white as snow;
Though they are red like crimson,
They shall be as wool.
19If you are willing and obedient,
You shall eat the good of the land;
20But if you refuse and rebel,
You shall be devoured by the sword";
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

So we see the way that God saw them, however they saw themselves as His people still. The were "doing all the stuff" sacrificing and holding the feasts that God commanded, but it was all done with no heart. Just traditional, so these are the type of people I call traditional Christians. Doing all the stuff but with no heart, go to church, sing the songs, listen to the word, but it doesn't sink in, no change in lifestyle, thinking they are saved by their actions. Being on a boat but somehow missing the boat at the same time, because they got on the wrong boat.

This whole thing just hurts me (I can't imagine how God feels, they will pay for what they did, but unfortunately many were

turned away from God that would have come to know Him and they'll also have to suffer the consequences of their sins as well) and the damage that has been done will not be fixed by giving people a Jesus with different skin colors. Pictures of Jesus should be outlawed. We don't need a picture, if we did, He would have had some portraits done while He was walking the earth to leave for us. It goes back to having idols in a way, people just like to have something to see and touch, but those pictures won't do a thing for us. As we can see, the image of Jesus that people have has done more harm than good.

Jesus told us how to avoid this "by your love for one another they will know you" but where is the love? The solution to the problem is a simple one, but carrying out the solution is not so simple. Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and let the fruit of the Spirit rule in our members, then we'll have the love for people that God Himself has for them. If each person would truly seek God we would all have life changing experiences as we let Hm clean up our lives. But applying this to those who have been hurt and pushed away is a timely thing, there are no quick changes it takes time and building relationship with people to see changes. And very few seem willing to start to do this and heal the past. There is alot of healing to be done in the body first, then we can reach out to others and represent the true Christ.
sorry for the length of the post guys

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burt_nader
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Posts: 131
Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon

Posted: 19 Nov 2003 20:48 Post subject: quote

Jah Servant wrote:

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right on man, who cares what color jesus christ is? does it really matter? The holy spirit doesnt have any color. What a superficial shallow argument. good lord.

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Forum Veteran

Joined: 01 Jun 2003
Posts: 402
Location: Canada

Posted: 19 Nov 2003 21:55 Post subject: quote

yes, but still it has pushed many away from the truth

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ok but heres the thing. Just because someone is hung up with a white jesus, doesnt mean the person who sees jesus as white in their mind is hung up or wrong. The person with the racial hang up is the one who is wrong and therefore becomes prejudiced and judgemental.

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Location: Canada

Posted: 19 Nov 2003 23:46 Post subject: quote

what color or race a person sees Jesus as doesn't matter. What mattered was that people who talked as though they represented God acted in a way as to mirepresent Him, then tried to get the people they oppressed to believe in the same God, when they say God agrees with the wrong they are doing, so of course it turns people away. The thing is that the way you live your life is a more powerful testimony than the words you say. Messian Dread is even calling the god of these people a false god which I guess is true in a way. I see it more as people who are "traditional" with no relationship with Christ, no life changes made, like I said in a previous post. I think this is the basis of this thread. The problem is this, when people see our God as something He's not, because of the wrong things done in His name, then how do you get them to see the truth and accept Jesus as the only way? Especially when the name of Jesus makes them turn away. This is alot of what's dealt with regarding Rasta's. It has unfortunately become a race issue because, once again, people messed it up. When in fact Jesus is for everybody, that's why we have to live right, according to the word, not the tradition of men.

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Psalm 27:4
One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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Talking Dog
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Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 20 Nov 2003 12:00 Post subject: quote

To me it demonstrates an attitude which is highly unaware of history and culture to lightly dismiss the issue of "what colour Jesus was".

In many ways I am in full agreement with what Jah Servant is saying. The failures of past (and present) generations of christians to LIVE the gospel has been a serious cause of stumbling for multitudes.

At the same time I fundamentally DISAGREE with the perspectives that Burt Nader is bringing forward. It is very easy - if you are white, and if you do not reflect deeply - to say "it doesn't matter if Jesus was black" in a culture where white cultural and economic supremacy are the normative values. Black history in the West for the last 400 years is based on kidnap, murder, slavery, torture and abuse. Much of the proseperity of the White West is built on that foundation. Economically, spiritually and socially the descendents of the African holocaust have still not recovered from their experience.

Now consider the role which the image of a "white" european looking Jesus played throughout this history. This was the image presented to teh Africans of the god who the white slave masters and industrialists said they worshipped. This image was presented in a false religious "christian" formulation which was exploited by the white slavemasters as a means of social control and downpression of the black people they exploited. That a slave ship could be called "SS. Jesus" was a blasphemy of the highest order. The white Jesus, slavery, and oppressive religion which perverted the true image and nature of Christ are inextricably bound together.

Follow this through in thinking about the recovery of Black history which rightly recognises that the people of the Bible, including our Saviour, were dark skinned, even black people in most cases. As the post-holocaust black consciousness rises and sees through the misrepresentations of the babylonian system who stole and killed

their ancestors, do you imagine that it "doesn't matter" how Jesus is represented to such people? That the image of a white Euro-Jesus is value free? That it is unimportant to reclaim a more truthful image and doctrine of Christ?

It is far too easy to "spiritualise" these issues. I think they are real and they do matter significantly in the way that the Gospel of Christ is to be presented. The misconceptions of the past need to be acknowledged and corrected. It is not a small matter to many serious and spiritual black people, both within and without the Kingdom of God.

Frankly, it reflects a gross lack of insight and knowledge to sweepingly dismiss their concerns and wounds with "who cares what colour Jesus was". People **do** care, and it would be good for someone who thinks like this to take the time and effort to journey outside the white ghetto of their current mindset to learn WHY.

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Posted: 20 Nov 2003 13:02 Post subject: quote

I think that this is exactly why the Word tells us to make NO image of God...

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mikeroots
Forum Veteran

Joined: 13 Nov 2001
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Location: Torrington, CT USA

Posted: 20 Nov 2003 14:31 Post subject: quote

Jah Servant wrote:

> Pictures of Jesus should be outlawed. We don't need a picture, if we did, He would have had some portraits done while He was walking the earth to leave for us. It goes back to having idols in a way, people just like to have something to see and touch, but those pictures won't do a thing for us. As we can see, the image of Jesus that people have has done more harm than good.

AGREED! So many depictions- so many hair colours and textures, eye color, skin tones, facial features...what good does it do but to cause division? I think you're exactly right- if Christ's physical image was so important for us to have, He would have made it available to us. The only times where I see physical depictions of Christ helpful is when teaching children and in the use of films. Then again, we'll always see differing viewpoints as to how Jesus, his disciples and prophets, etc. looked.

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Talking Dog Forum Veteran Joined: 29 May 2002 Posts: 289 Location: Shrewsbury, UK	Posted: 20 Nov 2003 15:49 Post subject: quote "I think that this is exactly why the Word tells us to make NO image of God..." No, I think that was to do with idol worship - the image being worshipped rather than the almighty as was the practice among the heathen nations. Jesu Himself WAS "the image" of the invisible God, not in some abstract spiritual sense, but as a real flesh and blood historical figure. So I see it as retrograde step to downplay the significance of Him being born into a Semitic Hebrew human context, with everything that entails. Mike asks: "...what good does it do but to cause division?" Well, the division has **already** been caused by our predecessors departing from the truth and mixing it with something which was a gross misrepresentation of Jesus, His nature and mission. The damage has been done, and many still perpetuate it, knowingly or not. How is the damage from this to be healed? By ignoring it and saying "it doesn't matter" - even though it manifestly DOES matter to many black people - or by seeking to recognise and correct the errors and abuses of our forefathers in misrepresenting Him? I think the latter. Saying "it doesn't matter" is likely to be a response of those who are in a

mindset which cannot fully see beyond the somewhat un-self-critical perspectives of being white in a white-controlled cultural hegemony. There are values and presuppositions which come down through the experience of being white which are fairly opaque to those born into that expeerience and enjoying its relative privileges. It is the nature of an idol that you don't know it is an idol when you give your allegiance to it, and I would say there is something idolatrous about this.

I am not suggesting that any particular cultural imagery of Jesus has power above the living reality of the Person of the risen and glorified Jesus. he came for every tribe and nation, salvation is open to all who come to Him. What I am saying is that the cultural power, histories and philosophies associated with particular imagery of Jesus are real and not to be taken lightly. Nor should we seek to abolish the reality of the Bible as a cellection of texts written by and (mainly) about black/dark-skinned people, and that God our Saviour came in the flesh as one of them.

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Jah Servant
Forum Veteran

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Location: Canada

Posted: 20 Nov 2003 17:14 Post subject: quote

It only matters to people who have been affected by it I guess. In that way, if we love them, then it should matter to us. But solving the question of His color is not going to draw people to Him. In the end it really doesn't matter what color He is, because every knee will bow and people will be judged accordingly, whether you're the same color as Him or not, the thing of the skin color not mattering I think is in the perspective that it has nothing to do with what He did for us, nothing to do with our salvation. I'm sure this hurts God deeply, that people have done committed terrible acts in His name, but this situation not from Him, this is all caused by man and the devil. It all comes down to people that were misrepresenting God, or following the false god as Messian Dread puts it, a god with the same name as our god (big deception). The real question is this, how do we undo what was done. How do we get people who are hung up on the image and rejecting Him because of the image to look at what's really important. That He died for all. All through

the old testament it's prophesied that salvation will come to the gentiles and they will become God's people too. It happend through Jesus, this is what people need to see. But how do we get them to open their eyes to the truth?

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 20 Nov 2003 17:31 Post subject: quote

Quote:

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Partly by correcting the image and acknowledging the wrong that has been done! I don't think you can get away from it. But, substantially, by living in the power of the Spirit and regaining a full comprehension of what the Kingdom of God is really about, and living as though we believed it.

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burt_nader
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Joined: 13 Nov 2003
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Location: the heart of zion in the middle of babylon

Posted: 20 Nov 2003 23:53 Post subject: quote

well if you read the new testement you know jesus was jewish... possibly african? he did live in egypt for a while, but most likely he looked like a modern day palestinian.

If you wanna view the historical jesus in your head as a Black African then go right ahead.

I never cared what he looked like, as you can see him in almost everyone if you look hard enough.

your hang ups are your own hang ups that you have to conquer, lashing out at people who in their ignorance view christ as a white blue eyed european isnt gonna help. These people still can have the same holy spirit of jesus christ that you do veiwing Him as a black african. time to unite no more schizms

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 21 Nov 2003 11:31 Post subject: quote

B-N, these are not "my hang ups", and neither am I "lashing out" at anyone. Neither am I disputing that how someone views Christ makes a difference to whether they are really Christian or not. That is not the issue.

What I am talking about is the importance of recognising and countering the REAL damage which has been done because of the manifestly false image of a euro-jesus.

I believe this matter is important. If you and others don't that is your business, but at least acknowledge that it is a real issue for many non-white people who have a historical legacy to get past which has misrepresented Christ and Christianity to them.

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yes it is important to know what really is what. I think the evils done behind the guise of christianity throughout history have very little to do with the fact they saw jesus as a white euro blue eyed blonde. But that is definately one of them many misconceptions that abound. Maybe it happened because the only people who lived in Germany in say 1284 were all white people. I dont think that caused much damage though, except to maybe historical accuracy...

What the problems were with the medieval christian church tho is a whole other can of worms.

as you yourself say for me "it is a real issue for many non-white people who have a historical legacy to get past which has misrepresented Christ and Christianity to them."

yes, it is a real hang up. I want to help people over come these problems. Which can be solved only by realizing jah has no color. peace.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 21 Nov 2003 14:23 Post subject: quote

burt_nader wrote:

> I think the evils done behind the guise of christianity throughout history have very little to do with the fact they saw jesus as a white euro blue eyed blonde.

Well, the whole black and white issue was NOT raised by JAH or anyone of His true followers. But it was placed in the hearts of men during the slavery days as a way of keeping black people down.

Now it is not only a complexion-issue either when we talk about black and white in the context of the message of Rastafari. We have already established that the white geezus is a representation of the false god, and if the god of babylon is white then JAH is black. Because white stands for enslavement and black for "blessed are they that mourn".

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 21 Nov 2003 15:36 Post subject: quote

Messian,

Forgive me but once again I don't think I'm grasping the concept...
Is the solution then to acknowledge that God is Black?

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 21 Nov 2003 15:46 Post subject: quote The statement that JAH is black is a result of the babylonians telling people that geezus is white. White geezus stands for something, it stands for slavery. So in that context it would be quite absurd to state that Jah is white, wouldn't it? If babylon is white then JAH is black. In this context it isd indeed important to acknowledge the blackness of JAH. For many people within Rastafari "black" and "white" deal with these things, not neccesarily the colour skin but it is an answer to the racism of babylon. _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/
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Forum Veteran

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Posted: 21 Nov 2003 16:00 Post subject: quote

Why is it necessary or even correct to assert that when Christ walked this earth he was black? Do we know this to be absolutely true? I think it is more likely that he was similar in complexion to those who live in Palestine today, but of course I'm not sure. I don't think portraying Christ as black is the answer to helping heal wounds and repair injustices done to black people, but to clearly show that Yeshua is for ALL- and HIS words and actions make that clear. Actually, the tribe of Judah (where He came out of) was of mixed race anyhow. Much of the evil committed in this world has come through the white man, but to respond to that by saying white altogether is babylon and therefore JAH is black is painting with too broad a brush, I think. Better that we educate ourselves and each other as to what the truth is about who Yeshua is and what He stands for and be able to see through the lies and false traditions handed down through the ages.

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Posted: 21 Nov 2003 16:03 Post subject: quote

Understood. If the iniquities of what whites did is wrong then black is right.

I disagree with that because no man despite whatever color he/she may be is right. Blacks do bad things too, so do Brown skinned, Olive skinned, etc. people are just that, peopole.

If Babylon tells us that Jesus is white and the word of God says that Man was created in Gods image then what does that say about blacks or whites? It means that Babylon is and always will be wrong and that God is neither black nor white. God is God, man is man.

I think that is very important for Rastas and Christians to recognize.

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Talking Dog
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Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 21 Nov 2003 16:50 Post subject: quote

I see the importance of the subject in asserting that He was NOT white (and not the downpressor idololatrous construct of the slavers) as much as assigning a particular ashade of "black" as a skin colour.

As MD says, in rasta (and this is the context, mainly, in which we discuss the issue) black and white stands as much for two different allegiances of consciousness as much as skin colour.

As I have said already, the importance of correction is to negate the power of the mental strongholds which were set up by the use of the white image and its strong connections in rasta thought with a corrupted and false religion. You have to undo the damage by asserting what was false about that whole thing, thereby removing the grounds for misconceptions to remain. It is spirtual matter as well, and I think it falls into the territory covered by Paul in 2 Corinthians 10:

"For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ"

Arguments, thoughts, concepts...these can be mental strongholds which oppose the true knowledge of God. This area is one such stronghold which needs to be demolished. You don't bring down a concept by ignoring it or saying it doesn't matter, but by opposing it with the truth.

Maybe it is important to demolish the strongholds bult up by the lies and abuses of the past before we can expect people to be able to receive the fullness about Christ for all races and cultures - particularly if you come to them as representatives of that same historical line of the church which has not substantially acknowledged its sins in the past in this respect?

Do you see what I am saying? The current witness of the church is compromised for many people where they see there has been little or no evidence of recognition and repentance for the past actions and failures to oppose slavery and even the continuing injustices of the present times.
Deal with that and then maybe the way forward is clearer....

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Posted: 21 Nov 2003 17:23 Post subject: quote

Talking Dog I agree with breaking down the ideology that was presented in this discussion of White Jesus. I am all for it. But when you break something down you have to rebuild and put something in its place. What you put in its place is where I have a problem.

((The same problem the US has with Iraq, but we're not going there in this post))

Yes Africa is the center of the history of civilization but God sent Jesus Christ to save mankind not because he was [probably] of African decent but because he is the son of God. His color has little to do with it but for too many it becomes a center point of focus. Like I said in another topic, It's not about worshipping Christ the Man, but Christ the idea.. the LIVITY.. the Character of God. If God could make him the skin color Green would it make a difference? Yes. To a great many people who would then go out and try to dye their skin Green. Why? Because they are preoccupied with color and not what he was all about.

"Talk 'bout the man but them don't know 'bout de man, talk bout the Son but nevah understand'"

Coming back to Skin for a brief second: I do believe that before this world comes to an end something will be said about Africa and the fact that the last shall be first. If history is true and we think about the conceivable notion of the passing on of generational sins... we all need to

change the way we think and act in our own cuture and with others. Sin knows no color, God is not partial to sin.... sigh.. a big WHY when I see God face to face..

Man.. I ain't gettin NO work done today!! LOL!! It's FRIDAY!!!

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 25 Nov 2003 12:58 Post subject: quote

CP, you are right to say that the message isn't about skin colour - salvation and the Kingdom are open to all with no partiality. In my mind it is more to do with the credibility of the *messenger*.

The messenger who seeks to announce "good news" stands in a historical line with a church culture which has NOT been "good news" to black people. Also it has often not prophetically opposed and presented living alternatives to the deadly system of Babylon, and it has sided with the rich rather than being Good News to the poor.

It should not then be a surprise if people find reason to discount the message they are hearing. The integrity of the messenger and the coherence (or not) of the churches lifestyle and commitments to the message they are trying to bring are closely observed by most listeners.

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Tenor Diamond

Joined: 05 Nov 2003
Posts: 22
Location: swEDEN

Posted: 25 Nov 2003 13:22 Post subject: Does it matter? quote

cant see that it matters what color he had, what matters is that people that has not seen him claims to know what he looked like, has to shut up and quiet. I for one believs the Yesua was black, but I do not know, how can I ? Have not found any place in the scripture that give the information.

Love / Tenor D

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My Bible is my only shield and the music is my rod

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 25 Nov 2003 15:23 Post subject: quote

A concise point of view, Tenor D! As we have discussed earlier in thread, it might not matter to you, and that is your business - but recognise that it **does** matter for others, and that it might be good to appreciate **why** it does.

Many of the issues are not so much about "knowing what He looked like" exactly, but the associations of white christian imagery with less than helpful behaviour by the church. A different thing.

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cappucinosmom Joined: 25 Aug 2003 Posts: 57 Location: PA	Posted: 26 Nov 2003 02:11 Post subject: quote >what color or race a person sees Jesus as doesn't matter. What mattered was that people who talked as though they represented God acted in a way as to mirepresent Him I don't see why the focus is on white's oppression of blacks, if this is the *real* issue. People have used God's name to oppress, kill, and cause mayhem. Hitler used it on white European Jews. The Ethiopian Orthodox do it do Evangelicals in thier country. The Catholic rulers in Europe murdered countless of thier own countrymen for being heretics. And yes, white people used it to oppress and enslave blacks. So why the disdain for white people only? Let's disdain *anyone* who misuses and misrepresents The Lord, whatever color or part of the globe. Oh, and let's not make Jesus white or black. I'm sure the Bible would have said something about the strangeness if he looked anything but Mediterranean. _____ Maggie, wife to Eyosias, mom to Asrat
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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
Posts: 220
Location: Greece

Posted: 26 Nov 2003 09:24 Post subject: NO MORE POLITICIZING quote

My friends,I have been trying to follow your discussion,but the logic in it all seems a bit strange.

If we talk about Jesus colour,then according to where he was born he would most likely have dark olive coloured skin and black hair,yes?

Meaning he is neither white or black,yes?

Looking at the history we see that Europeans(vikings,kelts,romans and greeks etc.)did all have many Gods.As for USA there were the indians wich also had a form of polyteism.Africa did also have polyteism.China and India there own view of God and in Australia the aborigines were also polyteistic.The only place on earth were people believed in one God was in Israel,all christians know that,yes?That's why Jesus was born there,yes?

When the white race "adopted" Christianity and starting to present Jesus trough art,they presented him white.Are we sure that the reason was to proclaim "the white race superiority" to empower the opportunity to supress human beings with other colours?Or was it so that people could easier identify and embrace this Man who claimed to be God if they thought of him as white?Lets not forget that we talk about a total revolution in the hearts and lifes of all PAGANS WITH WHITE SKIN AT THAT TIME.
How could the societies cope with this dramatic change?
I am just trying to put things in order,since i think your discussion has mixed political,racial and spiritual influences and has become just a mess.

(I do not claim to know anything at all,I am just giving you my views as a total outsider,not knowing that much about rasta.)

The white race has behaved like pigs througout the world,they have killed,raped,enslaved many people.That is why the western world is seen as Babylon.Does that mean that everything WHITE=BABYLON?(=racism?)

Do not the people in Africa and Jamaica do the same thing when

saying Jesus is black?That is,trying to be able to adapt and identify with THE SON OF MAN?

But to me this shows a political Jesus,and of course then all of this above is also racial.Political is ALWAYS racial!(Skincolour,beautiful-ugly,rich-poor,male-female or whatever.)
JESUS IS NOT POLITICS.
The word poli in greek means town,politis the inhabitant and politiki the way to lead the behaviour in a group of people.OBSERVE,NOT SPIRITUALLY,ONLY MENTALY.

Sins that are made by people claiming to be christians can not be politicalized,because then we lose the way as christians.
Not to say that not ANYONE will turn to our Saviour...OUR SINS CAN NOT BE GUIDELINES FOR HOW PEOPLE SEE CHRISTIANITY.MEANING ALSO IT IS A SIN TO PRESENT A POLITICAL JESUS.

Just look at all the mess.Priests and pastors accused of childmalesting,going to prostitutes,homosexual priests or whatever. It is the same thing.Should i puke and say bye bye to the church and draw the line saying that christianity stinks?
If i politicalize,yes.

Indira Ghandi said once:We love Jesus,but we can not see him among you,thats why we do not become christians.We do not want your lifes.
Same thing as rastas point of view then...BABYLON

The conclusion to me is that I can see why people react like they do according to Jesus whatever colour,but I do think it is a big sin to continue feeding this behaviour into people.It is really a kind of form of exploating OUR SAVIOUR for political reasons,wherever we cLaim him being black or white.It is time to finally LEARN something from the history.

Lets just LIVE HIS LOVE SO PEOPLE CAN SEE CHRIST.When we open our hearts and let love in,bitterness and pains of generations goes away.
HE IS ABLE TO HEAL US ALL.GLORY TO OUR SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
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Posted: 26 Nov 2003 09:33 Post subject: quote

By the way,politicalizing Jesus is not only skincolour,it is also for example presenting a "Christian Jesus"that is all lovable accepting thousand sins in his church such as homosexuality,abortions,premarriage sex,divorces,money greed and whatever our hearts pleases to enjoy sin and try sneaking away from our responsibility as followers of Christ.IN OTHER WORDS TRYING TO FIX OUR OWN JESUS THAT MATCHES OUR INTERESTS.Woe,do we need repentence brothers and sisters.WHAT ARE WE DOING TO OUR LORD,AND IN HIS NAME???

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 26 Nov 2003 13:12 Post subject: quote

Responding to one point at a time, Maggie said

> **Quote:**
>
> why the disdain for white people only? Let's disdain *anyone* who misuses and misrepresents The Lord, whatever color or part of the globe.

The discussion is in particular context - mainly that of how many rastas view "white" christianity and "White" representatons of Jesus. So it's mainly got that focus. Of course you are quite correct in what you say about religious perversions in all kinds of countries and cultures. We have a lot to be sorry about

If you look into the thinking of those who strongly support a "black" Jesus you will see that there are quite a lot of reasons within their position as to why they would see Him as more "black" than "mediterranean" in skin tone. It is quite interesting material to study and think about, whatever conclusion we do or don't come to.

But as I said earlier, the issue in this specific context is more to do

with affirming that He wasn't WHITE, with all the historical resonances that that holds.

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 26 Nov 2003 13:33 Post subject: quote

woe yucka yoi, you present a number of interesting points in your posts.

> **Quote:**
> Are we sure that the reason was to proclaim "the white race superiority" to empower the opportunity to supress human beings with other colours?Or was it so that people could easier identify and embrace this Man who claimed to be God if they thought of him as white

This is an important issue. I do not personally believe that the depiction of Jesus as white within predominantly white cultures was necessarily "racist" or to act as downpression of non-whites. We see through many racial cultures that Jesus is represented within the ethnic imagery of that group as a way of being a sign that he came for all people, including them. Marcus Garvey spoke about this very issue when he said it was natural for Europeans to do this, so it was equally natural for Africans to need to see Christ "through their own spectacles" (i.e as black).

Now that is a different issue altogether from co-opting the image of a white Christ in a white racist system which was weilded like a weapon for the downpression of black people. In this case the imagery and what it represents ceases to be innocent and becomes problematic because of its associations. That is really the issue I am trying to deal with.

I am not quite sure I follow your line of thinking about "Jesus not being political". It depends how you are defining "political". To me there definitely has to be a "political" dimension to the Kingdom of

God and the message of our Saviour, because it IS concerned with all the aspects of personal and social life. It is not just "spiritual" and "personal" in a vacuum. The rulers of His own time understood very well that His message was revolutionary and presented a challenge to the political powers and the elite of that day. It may not to be expressed like a contemporary political agenda, but the consequences surely are political, in terms of justice, peace, righteousness, economics, social relationships - it up-ends the established order and is political to the core! But not like teh vanity and corruption of worldly politricks.

I think it is one of the Big Lies which has come into a lot of contemporary christian thinking that the Kingdom of God has nothing to say about these matters.

It is all part of One Message which goes back to the patriarchs and the prophets in Israel. Satan kingdom move over, YAHWEH taking over.

Talking about the problems with the church, you say

> **Quote:**
>
> Should i puke and say bye bye to the church and draw the line saying that christianity stinks? If i politicalize,yes.

No that is not the right response, however you are viewing "political" . Again, it kind of depends on how you define "church". Most of us would not view the "institutional" expressions of christianity as being what constitutes the REAL church of Christ, which is His Body, comprised of those who are truly born of the Spirit. Our job is to acknowledge where there has been transgression and failure, past or present, and seek to live in a more authentic expression of the life and power of the Kingdom of God.

Your quote from Ghandi makes the same point I am making - that failure to acknowledge and try to deal with our failings and errors compromises our integrity and credibility as messengers in the eyes of those to whom we go. This doesn't mean we have to be perfect before we can communicate - just honest.

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kaya IsesaJah

Joined: 23 Nov 2001
Posts: 24

Posted: 26 Nov 2003 21:22 Post subject: quote

Greetings, I jus come in pon di thread, but its an important topic. I have been posting now about 4 years to different Rastafari sites, wid di message of Christ. It is difficult. For I self it was a very hard issue before I came to Christ. I still cannot envision Him as di way di books an pictures portray him, but what helped I woman was when I thought of Chinese people. Chinese mus vision a white or black christ. dem no see a chinese christ, or at least I woman never saw a chinese christ. It was then that me 'realeyes' di truth, dat each man Iception will come to him, as marcus garvey seh, thru dem own 'spectacles', culturally. It mek I think seh I will recognise Christ, no matter Him look pon di rapture time. If Him black, or white, or chinese, or all golden me nuh know wha Him gwan look like, nuh true? But me jus sure me fi recognise Him. thru I own culturally slanted spectacles, becaw dat wha salvation assures I woman.
Give thanks fi di topic still
in His Love an Light
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woe yucka yoi
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Joined: 15 Sep 2003
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Location: Greece

Posted: 26 Nov 2003 22:13 Post subject: quote

Talking dog,thanks for taking your time and responding so detailed to my post.

What i meant about going political about Jesus was USING Jesus in non spiritual ways to achieve influenses in this worlds system,whatever they may be.Then we are back again to some big mistakes that has already been made in history,with terrible consequenses for peoples views on Christianity.There will always be someone who uses this for evil purposes.

I don't know if I agree that it has to be a political dimension to the Kingdom of God.We live in this world,but are not of this world....

That there is and always will be traces of Jesus,cosequences,in this worlds system is obvious,but maybe we try too hard to create something that wasn't meant to be created??I do not know.Read the following and please give me your opinion on it.

This is a letter from an unknown author 100 years after Christ sent to a man named Diognetos:

The Christians are not separeted from other people,nor by countries,languages or traditions.
They do not live in their own countries or speaking with strange dialects or living strangely.
Their teachings are not created by wise mens thoughts.
They live in the cities of the greeks,as well as in barbarian countries,wherever the faith put them,and they use THAT country's traditions as in clothing,eating and anything that has to do with everyday life.
Thats the mystic thing about them.
They live in their homecountries,but as if they were guests.
They have the same rights as every citizen,but they cope with difficulties as if they were strangers in that country.
Every country is their homecountry,and every homecountry is unknown to them.
They marry and have children,but they keep all of their children.
Their tables are open to all,but not their beds.
They exist in the flesh,but do not live in the flesh.
They stay on earth,but their recidence is in heaven.
They obey their countries laws,but they exceed them with their own living.
They love everybody but are persecuted by all men.
They are unknown,but are being condemned.
They get killed,but become alive.
They are poor,but make many men rich.
They lack everything,but have abundance of everything.
They are dishonoured,but in the dishonour they are glorified.
They are cursed by men,but they bless everone.
They are insulted,but they give praise.
When they make good they are being punished as if they were

evil.When they are punished they rejoice like if they got new life.
The ones that hate them can not give you a reson to why they do hate them.
Whatever the soul is in the body,so are the christians in the world.

When i meditated on that text i was really swept off my feet.Do you understand now what i mean?Blessings

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cappucinosmom

Joined: 25 Aug 2003
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Location: PA

Posted: 27 Nov 2003 00:00 Post subject: quote

>When the white race "adopted" Christianity and starting to present Jesus trough art,they presented him white.Are we sure that the reason was to proclaim "the white race superiority" to empower the opportunity to supress human beings with other colours?*Or was it so that people could easier identify and embrace this Man*

I think this was the intent. I've always been amazed that each culture seems to portray Jesus as one of thier own (which is actually pretty cool, since He is not just Messiah to the Jews, but Savior to the World). In Ethiopia, I saw countless pictures of Jesus looking just like an Ethiopian. I have a beautiful batik at home depicting Jesus and the woman with the issue of blood--he looks Indonesian. I have seen in Asian art, Asian-looking Jesus. Plenty of African art portrays Him as black. Even though I grew up in white American culture, and was exposed to many "blond" Jesus pictures, I do not think of Him that way. It would be idiotic to do so.

I guess I find it odd (as a "white" person) that people would focus on us as a "race" as some horrible kind of system (maybe someone could explain to me exactly what the Bablyon system is, and why whites are it). Yes, whites have been piggish. But piggish behavior is not confined to us! Every race and every culture has at some point in history done horrible and loathesome things. Some still do it now.

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Maggie,
wife to Eyosias, mom to Asrat

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 27 Nov 2003 08:06 Post subject: quote The reason why Jesus is painted as a white man with long hair and a beard is not because of promoting a "white" Jesus...The artists that painted these famous paintings of Jesus were using the shroud of Turin as a model...There are many paintings of Jesus...Many of these paintings have the same exact identifiable marks as the shroud...Example:Hair parted in the middle with three loose strands of hair hanging down...Number of wrinkles on the forehead...And many other distinct marks that trace back to the shroud of Turin...The artists were doing their best to paint the person that they saw in the shroud. It has nothing to do with promoting a "white" Jesus. See for yourself http://www.shroud.com/shrdface.htm Shroud of Turin...Supposed burial cloth of Jesus. _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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woe yucka yoi Forum Veteran Joined: 15 Sep 2003 Posts: 220 Location: Greece	Posted: 27 Nov 2003 09:10 Post subject: quote I have seen that Shroud,it is absolutely amazing. Blessings _____ Together in His footsteps!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 27 Nov 2003 09:14 Post subject: quote

What do you mean you have seen it?...Are you saying you have actually seen it for real...Or are you saying that you already know about it?

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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
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Location: Greece

Posted: 27 Nov 2003 10:48 Post subject: quote

I have seen it on a documentary tvprogram and on lots of photos.I personally have not seen it for real,but persons from my village here has seen it for real.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 27 Nov 2003 11:10 Post subject: quote

Yeah...I was going to say(If you had seen it for real)...You were very lucky...Because there was only a few times that the shroud was on public display.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 28 Nov 2003 05:44 Post subject: quote

The shroud is very possibly a fake, just like the catholic church. There is no proof it is real. Christ is and will be forever on his throne white, back, yellow or brown. I am tierd of hearing people like Messian Dread downplay other peoples Christianity(western southern eastern or northern). What makes you think you are such an expert on the mind of Christ?! BEWARE! You call the President a devil worshipper like its a fact. You act like you know 1OO% that Jesus was not caucasian. You think smoking weed is a non issue. Well guess what. None of that is fact. Remove the plank from your own eye. What is past is past. The truth is Christ has a glorified body and his color while on this earth is obviously not that important. He was despised and rejected of men. Jesus color was one of love inwardly.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 28 Nov 2003 08:57 Post subject: quote

ZIONSLAVE-I know there is a possibility that it could be a fake...But you say it is "very" possible...I was just wondering,Have you read about or looked up anything about the shroud of Turin?...Do you know about the experiments and tests they have done on it?...They know for a fact that it is not a painting...They also know for a fact that the bloodstains are real blood...They have found pollen grains of plants that only grow in Jerusalem...You said it is "very" possible that it is a fake...Do you know something about it that I might not?

Please don't think I am trying to start an argument...I'm not...I don't look at the shroud in order to believe in Christ...I believe in Christ anyways...I look at the shroud as an artist...And I ask myself "What is this?...Is it someones work of art?...If so,then whoever did it belongs among the ranks of Michaelangelo,or Davinci...If it is not someones work of art...Then what is it?...How did the image get there??

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 28 Nov 2003 22:45 Post subject: quote

You can also read in the Bible...When they went to the tomb where Jesus was...They did not find Jesus' body...Only the cloths that wrapped his body were found.

They say that the only logical thing that they can think of...Is that the image was put on there by a flash of radiation...This is AMAZING!...Maybe...Just maybe this tells us a little about Jesus ressurection.

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Author	Message
ZIONSLAVE Forum Veteran Joined: 12 Nov 2003 Posts: 124	Posted: 28 Nov 2003 22:49 Post subject: quote Actually you may have read more about the shroud than I have. I have read arguements on both sides. I understand as an artist you would have an intrest in this object. Lately the new craze is this Jesus box. These things are nice to think about but the fact is they will never be proven to be true. If the Lord wanted us to have physical proof beyond reasonable doubt of his life, death ,and resurrection he would have said in his word "Here is proof and where to find it." Another thing we must always be on gaurd for are people who state things as fact when they are not. Just like your parents tell you when you are young " Dont believe everything you see or read". This scientific "proof" of anything is close to meaningless to me. I also kind of disagree w/ your Michaelangelo Davinci statement. Im not really super impressed with the thing honestly. If its real, great! If not, oh well. The Lord God will seperate the wheat from the tares and all that is not righteous will be completely annihilated.
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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
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Location: Greece

Posted: 29 Nov 2003 09:35 Post subject: quote

It does say that the cloth was found in the bible.So I think it is a big possibility that it is really that one.

It is very interesting and facinating,not as a PROOF to believe,we don't need that kind of proofs to believe in Jesus resurrection.Rather it is interesting and fascinating anyway.

There are many things as that.The cross of Jesus that has been found,is the same thing.

Then we have things of mystery,like the holy light that comes out of the place where Jesus was buried every easter on the resurrection day.That flame comes out of the cave by itself and does not burn you,I have felt it myself.

Bread that they give on holy communion here in Greece is also a mysetry.
It does not get mouldy.Everything here does becuse of the dampness does,but this NOT.I saved some for one year !!!And they do not put anything in it to not get mouldy.(They give bread here,not sacramental wafer)

Many,many small reminders that everything our Lord touches .....

Anyway,seems like i got totally off the theme here.Sorry,blessings

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 29 Nov 2003 15:02 Post subject: quote

Back weh with that cloth. Incredible, all these folks cursing any "image" but no one recognizes an idol thing of Yesus when it's before them, in this case the shroud of Turin (and not of Christ). But that's not the issue...

Post after post after post, one politically ccorrect answer after another one and no one gets the idea.

Everyone: "I don't care what colour He has"

How political correct.

How ignorant, too.

The whiteness of Geezus is WILLINGLY used to DOWNPRESS Black People. Now everyone here can feel so right when they write they don't care about any colour, from their luxurous position that is easy to say.

But what if you are a black man in slavery and your withe enslaver tells you about this white god in the sky who created you to serve him, the white man? What would you think about this Geezus? And what use would all these politically correct answers have to you?

Let's spell it out: "black" and "white" in Rastafari represent Zion and Babylon. It is the result of babylon portraying a white geezus, emphasizing the whiteness of this Geezus as reason for his "blessings" of babylon. So tell babylon you don't care what colour the Divine Saviour is, but don't tell Rasta Yesus is not black but whatever because a Rasta will hear that like a denial of the Head Creator Himself.

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One Love,
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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 29 Nov 2003 22:19 Post subject: quote

First off it is not a fact that Jesus was black. So for you to claim he was as a fact is wrong. The truth is Rastafarianism is not where the buck stops. There are many wonderful things about the ideology and sepratism of the Rasta culture. However, the feelings of a person white or black will be hurt when the truth of YHWY is revealed. It is a complete disaster so many black people have been mistreated and used by a white culture. Unfortunately, the blacks are not the only ones who are victims of racisim and the slavery and murder that it brings. I praise the Lord God for his servants who are willing to take a stand against racism. I also praise him for those who recognize truth form theory. It is wrong to keep digging up the past and using it as an excuse to sin.Black people are a beautiful creation they have overcome much. But there is neither Jew or Greek and there is no male or female in the eyes of God. What happened in America years ago is still felt today. What happened in the holocost will not be forgotten. However, just because a slave owner sinned in keeping a slave, that does not give you the right to say he was not a Christian. You are overstepping your bounds and boardering on blasphemy when you type out the word "Geesus" like you are some kind of a judge of the intentions of ones heart. Who do you think you are to say that anyones faith is worthless? Black and Dark symbolize sin in the Bible. Light symbolizes Godliness. So this makes the rastas ideas of black and white secondary. But, to use that as some kind of point on the matter of race is wrong because all are equal in Yesus eyes. This is a warning. Be careful what you preach as truth. There is a way that seemeth right to a man but the end is death. So, in conclusion the Lord could have come to earth as black as tar or as white as a cueball and He would still be God. So if it makes you feel better to think Jesus was black then thats fine. But once again I do not care (politically incorrect or not) if He was a dull shade of blue I would still worship him as the ALPHA and OMEGA.

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woe yucka yoi
Forum Veteran

Joined: 15 Sep 2003
Posts: 220
Location: Greece

Posted: 29 Nov 2003 22:36 Post subject: quote

Jah servant was absolutely right saying in the beginning of this thread that only God will know who will be called a child of His.

I do understand where Messian dread is coming from,it is true that it is a huge problem,but the root of it all is SIN.
Sin of white men using our Lord Jesus in suppressing people.Well,don't you think everyone that do/did so will pay for that on judgement day?
I know it is easy for everybody sitting in our "luxoury position" saying what can be done?You are right on that one too,MD,but i am going to say something here that i might get bashed for...

Don't you guys think that Jesus is able to show and proove himself true for anyone asking Him to show them who he really is??White,black,red or whatever racial names we want to put....
Isn't it a sin to go around and be totally poisened by bitterness for racial crimes as well going around being bitter for ANYTHIHG??
Isn't it a sin to put Jesus in abox,from whatever ankle it may be?
There has been very much judging in this thread.
Where is the love??
Our saviour is a personal saviour.For anyone who asks him in his heart,He will come.
Does it exist one single soul on this earth that has asked God-even if he did not know WHO God was-to show him THE TRUTH about HIM,that has not been heard???NO!!!!(Anyone asking for God surely believes there is a rightious God,no matter how he will be presented to us,it is carved in to our unconscious that God is rigthous...by His own hand in our hearts)
But he can not reveal himself against somebodys will.If anger,bitterness,stubbourness,ego,pride or you name it, flurish in ones heart in the search for God,he will lose the way.Wherever we come from the northpole,Jamaica or Calcutta doesn't matter.The whole thing that seems to matter in this discussion is that since Jesus was presented white and used to suppress human beings of other colour,nothing but a black Jesus can be accepted by black people and the "white one is a false God?"Are you brothers listening to yourselves???With our mind and undestanding it may seem as the only way,but this is really heavy and i just think that Jesus has his own way of being able to all who seeks HIM,the son of man.

I have really tried to follow you guys in this discussion.I have been sitting for hours and hours reading all posts on this thread again and again.
I may be totally IQfree,but i don't get it.
The only thing i can say that i have became upset.

Can Talking dog,jah servant,messian dread and coolpoet give me a small summary of all this???

Last some questions:
1.How do you think God wants us to react and go ahead with this ? Continue the crime of putting Jesus in a colour box,continuing feeding all this bad feelings into people?
2.Can someone understand why i protest against politicalize Jesus?It was the root of racism to politicalize him as white.Do you think we have to go a second round politicalize him as black?
4.What good will come out of it and what bad??

I feel very upset,sorry guys,love ye all anyway.

By the way,as you all probably know,the christ-christos-in greek means the anointed and christian-christiani-in greek means someone who is living or abiding in the anointed.

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ZIONSLAVE
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Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 30 Nov 2003 00:36 Post subject: quote

RIGHT ON SIS!!!!!!!!!!!!

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 30 Nov 2003 00:49 Post subject: quote

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

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Jah Servant
Forum Veteran

Joined: 01 Jun 2003
Posts: 402
Location: Canada

Posted: 30 Nov 2003 01:46 Post subject: quote

Sorry Woe Yucka Yoi, I left the discussion a couple pages back, I had nothing more to say. But I've been following it. I think this is important to be aware of when dealing with Rastas in particular, and is educational for everybody who's read this thread. Is the color of Christ truly important? Not to most of us who know Him. But to those who have been turned away because of the image that was pushed and the things that were done in His name it is important. So if it's keeping people away from the truth then it's good for us to know about it, right? It's the plan of the enemy, you know, but this steals the seeds before they are even sown. Because the image and the name and the things that were done is all put together in one lump, so they say, "I don't want a god that condones or commands his people to do these things". This is why, I think, Messian Dread calls him a false god, because our God is not like this, so they weren't really following Christ (you can correct me on this MD if necessary). So when we say Jesus this is where their mind goes, not to our Jesus but to the misrepresentation of Him by people in the past. But we must realize that millions of people of African descent all over the world have come to know Christ, so this isn't always an issue, but it's very strong with the Rastas, and maybe some other groups as well. I don't think there is any need for you to get too upset.

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Psalm 27:4
One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 30 Nov 2003 07:09 Post subject: quote MESSIAN DREAD-You say to stay away from the shroud...But yet you are spreading lies saying that the only reason Jesus is painted as a white man is because the white man wants to downpress the black man...That is such phony Baloney!!...If you want the truth here...Then you have to consider the shroud...Any true artist knows that those paintings are artists conceptions of the image on the shroud. You also act like race and color are of no importance...God created the races!...Don't you think they are important to him?...I think you are the one bringing political correctness into the subject...You don't want anyone to be offended so you just act like race is not important...You act like the thought of Jesus being white is evil...Eve was the mother of all living...Meaning that Christ would come through her womb(Umbilical cord to umbilical cord)...Adam and Eve were of the Adamic race...They were Ruddy complected...Ruddy means that blood shows in the face(To blush)...Satan tried many times to pollute those bloodlines...And God went through drastic measures to stop it from happening...That is how important race and bloodlines are to God...And you act like it is no big thing...It is called HERITAGE...And that is why God hated Esau...Because he had no regard for his Heritage.....Yes I believe Jesus was white(Ruddy)...It has nothing to do with me being white...It also has nothing to do with me downpressing the black man...It has nothing to do with me promoting a white Jesus...That is what the Hebrew language says! Who is this Yesus you speak of?...Did you make that name up?

And do you really think that we worship the shroud?..NO!!...How can it be an idol for us if we are not even worshipping it?...We worship Christ!

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 02 Dec 2003 12:07 Post subject: quote

What is your basis for inferring that "ruddy complexion" has anything to do with Adam?

I cannot follow what your argument is here, but I **sincerely** hope you are not suggesting that blackness constitutes a "polluted bloodline"?

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 03 Dec 2003 19:41 Post subject: quote

I am not saying that blacks are "Polluted"....Not at all....I was talking about the Nephilium.

Also , look up the word Adam.....I believe it is #120 in the Hebrew...(I think that it the correct #)

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 04 Dec 2003 11:39 Post subject: quote

The sense of the Hebrew word you cite there relates to "reddish" in terms of another word (a little further down your Strongs list) for "earth" - from which Adam was created - maybe like a red-brown laterite soil. It's nothing to do with being white.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 04 Dec 2003 12:47 Post subject: quote

Look a little deeper...Up... probably around 118 or 119....and it means to turn red...To flush and turn red.....As in "To blush"

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 04 Dec 2003 15:09 Post subject: quote

What I said still applies. The root sense of the connection to Adam is the "earth" reference. Which isn't white

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 05 Dec 2003 05:47 Post subject: quote

You are not totally understanding.....Read in the SONG OF SOLOMON....There is a reference there that explains "Ruddy and white".

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 05 Dec 2003 19:42 Post subject: quote

whatever

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Author	Message
Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 05 Dec 2003 21:36 Post subject: quote **Quote:** God created the races!...Don't you think they are important to him?... Jah created humanity from one man, thus one race. then noahs family... one race, different races are the end result of the tower of babel, Jah changed everyones languages and everyone dispersed from there and went there own ways to there own countries. song of solomon is a horrible place to find literal proof of anything
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 05 Dec 2003 21:54 Post subject: quote The Hebrew word for "Ruddy" is Adam...And like I said...It does mean to turn red...As in to blush. Song of Solomon 3:19....."White and ruddy" You are totally twisting up the creation if you think that we all came from one man and woman.....If all the races came from one womb then we would have to had done alot of changing since then.....And that was only six thousand years ago....Just not possible. The races did not evolve from one womb....God created each race as it is....Races were created on the sixth day.....That is when God made adam(mankind)...Male and female.....These people were CREATED.

God FORMED Adam on the eighth day AFTER he rested.

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ZIONSLAVE
Forum Veteran

Joined: 12 Nov 2003
Posts: 124

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 00:12 Post subject: quote

Im sorry cross but Im gonna have to disagree with you on this one. Gods word is to be taken literally. Just because its hard for our minds to concieve all coming from one womb does not mean it is impossible. "With God all things are possible". I believe you may have run into some wrong doctrine. Lets be careful not to preach opinion as fact.

This ruddy complexion idea may be true but even if it is, that is not worth getting upset about. "Jesus died for all the children of the world...Red and yellow black and white they are precious in his sight." Remember that song?

I do however appreciate your zeal in what you believe. I hope you will be able to direct that zeal to more constructive things than arguing over the meaning of "ruddy"

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 00:26 Post subject: quote

no twisting fiyah, it is a difference of opinion, i beleive from my personal study of the scrips that it adam that was made on the sixth day. gen. 1:1- 2:3 is the creation acount then gen. 3:3 goes back to the creation of man and gives a detailed description of the events. but that is my belief, if that is not how you see it that is between you and the Creator. in my opinion though your interpretaion of the creation account leaves room for to many evolutionary theories but again that is just my opinion.

uh... fiyah there is no song of solomon 3:19 ch.3 only goes to verse 11 maybe you meant 5:10. and the reason i said its not good proof for anything is because the whole book is poety and full of allagory and metaphors if you took any of the descriptions in that book literaly you would end up with some messed up looking things. and it is very hard to know if the womans lover in that book is solomon anyway and that

can be debated back and forth all day long but lets not do it on this particualr thread

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 09:05 Post subject: quote

Ras B...Sorry I did mean 5:10.....I was thinking about a verse in 1 Peter and got mixed up there for a minute....Thanks for catching that one.

I do believe that ALL things are possible with God...But not all from one womb....If this theory is true....Then where did Cain find his wife?....And who was Cain referring to when he said to God "Everyone who sees me will kill me"??....Cain was not worried about Adam and Eve....He was driven out of the garden and still worried about people killing him.

The Bible does say that Eve is the mother of all living....But that simply means that through her womb...Christ would come...Umbilical cord to umbilical cord....And if you believe in Christ then you do have life....And you are living.

What I believe leaves absolutely no room whatsoever for evolution...Maybe we will discuss that one day.

PEACE!!

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 22:10 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Then where did Cain find his wife?....

i am not even going to address that becuase i already know the you and I disagree about inter-family relations in those days.

Quote:

> ?....And who was Cain referring to when he said to God "Everyone who sees me will kill me"??....Cain was not worried about Adam and Eve

you dont know who he was worried about cause the bible doesnt say, he could have been worrid about his father, he could have been worried about other children that his parents would have. and there is no way to

tell how old he was when he killed cain and there is no way to know when his brother seth was born and there is no way of knowing how many other children adam and eve have had by that time and it wouldnt neccesarily say in the bible cause its irrelevant. poeple back then lived along time through quite a few generations that could rise against him.

> **Quote:**
>
> He was driven out of the garden and still worried about people killing him.

the bible doesnt say that he was ever in the garden in fact it only i believe that genesis two and three implies that they didnt have any children while they were in the garden. the reference to his new location just uses eden as a reference not saying that he came out of eden and went to nod and it only says he had sex and his wife concieved after he went to nod but it doesnt say when she became his wife either

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 06 Dec 2003 22:40 Post subject: quote

Well..These are things you still need to think about...The Bible does make mention of this..And it is important.

About the "ruddy" "Adam" thing....The only reason I pointed that out is....Because there was a person on here saying that whoever believes that Jesus was a white man is racsist and they are trying to bring down the black man....I was only showing that not everyone who believes that is rascist....I wanted to show that there is a reason why some people believe that....And it is NOT based on white supiority....Not at all....It is based on what the Bible says and what the Hebrew language says.....That was my point.

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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 06 Dec 2003 23:27 Post subject: quote so what does ruddy have to do with your point, the native american indians were called red too, and either way it does not mean its a white person, and on top of that what does adams being ruddy (the part of the anatomy it could be talking about is unknown anyway cause ruddy has more than one meaning) have to do with jesus skin color? there was alot of poeple in between adam and jesus and not all of Jesus human anscestors were israelites either.
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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 07 Dec 2003 06:36 Post subject: quote Ok...I know I may be called a racsist...But I don't care because I know I'm not. You miss my point...So I will explain and leave it as is...Adam and Eve were of the adamic race...The word Adam means mankind and for blood to show through the face as in to blush...Documenting that it has nothing to do with ones melanin...It is the appearance of blood in the face....Now I am not being rascist...It does not take a rocket scientist to figure this out....This is what the Hebrew language says and you guys act like you can't even see it there in your concordance...Adam's anatomy is referred to...It is his face showing blood...The word for ruddy is even adam.....There is also a part in the Bible that talks about being white and ruddy....If this is bothering some people...Don't let it!...Because it is from the Hebrew language...You can check it out for yourself. I was also talking about Eve being the womb that Christ would would come through over time....And satan tried many times to disrupt those bloodlines...And God stopped satan from doing so....Yes bloodlines and heritage are important to you....They are important to God!.....Some may say that I am still rascist with this too....But hey!....Part of God stopping satan from disrupting those bloodlines was when he drove out Cain...And Cain was Abel's brother....So please do not tell me I am rascist in saying that God does pay attention to bloodlines.....Those bloodlines were not disrupted....All the way from Adam to Jesus. That is my point....I know that some will call me rascist trying to bring down the black man...But it is NOT even about that! _____

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 09 Dec 2003 21:32 Post subject: quote

i never said you were rascist and neither did MD on that other thread.

and ruddy also means red or reddish not just meaning a healthy reddish glow in the cheeks, so you really dont know exactly what part of adam was red.

i think that Jah wanted Ruth(an edomite) and Rehab(a canaanite) in the bloodline of Jesus. i dont think those instances were satan trying to disrupt the bloodline

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 10 Dec 2003 06:44 Post subject: quote

Ras B-You have got to learn how to take the Hebrew word to it's prime....I can tell that you don't know how because you say noone knows what it is exactly talking about....YES we do!!.....Take it to the prime.

MD may not have came out and said straightforward that I am a rascist....But that is what he was implying....He was talking about people who believe in a white Jesus are trying to bring down the black man....Now what does that say to you?.....He was calling me rascist!....I certainly hope that you don't think I am rascist I am not.....The black man has helped me out VERY much in my life....It was a black man who did the plastic surgery on my burn scars....And he was the absolute best in the state!....Dr.Boykin(God bless him!!)...Alot of the nurses who helped take care of me were black women....I have nothing against the black man.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 10 Dec 2003 15:48 Post subject: quote

Even taking the word to the Hebrew prime it is still not in anyway conclusive that it means that Adam and Eve were white. "Ruddy" is one meaning - but you still can't jump from this to saying this categorically demonstrates them being white.

I am not in in any way accusing you of racism CF, but it is worth noting that a great many **extremely** racist, white supremacist theologies are based exactly upon the same thinking you are applying here about the meaning of "Adam".

As I have said already, I see that the lingusitic and semantic linkages of "Adam" with earth/clay are much more significant in the context.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 10 Dec 2003 18:53 Post subject: quote

i am not sure what phrase "take it to the prime" means but when i look as deeply into the hebrew word "Adam" as is possible this is the meaning i get from the hebrew roots of Adam;

1) to be red, red

a) (Qal) ruddy (of Nazarites)

b) (Pual)

1) to be rubbed red

2) dyed red

3) reddened

c) (Hiphil)

1) to cause to show red

2) to glare

3) to emit (show) redness

d) (Hithpael)

1) to redden

2) to grow red

3) to look red

so i can not see how you can know what part of him was red.

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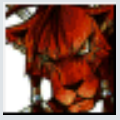
cross fiyah
Forum Veteran



Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 11 Dec 2003 06:07 Post subject: quote

Ras B-All I can say to you is look deeper...It is there...Why do you act like you do not see it?...It says to show blood in the FACE...I will give you exact number referance for that meaning but I want you to find it first...It is there!

Talking Dog-The very Hebrew word for ruddy is "Adam"...Also look at the references in Song of Solomon...It talks about "White and ruddy"...And if you read further..It talks about the persons belly being like ivory...Now what color is ivory?

No..Racist theologans do not teach this way...I am familiar with the way that racists do try to defend their belief...And the way that they try to defend it is very wrong...They do twist the scriptures....But what I am talking about is not the racist way of thinking...I have heard many racist ways of thinking why they think White is the supreme race...And none of them are saying the same thing as I am saying....(I am NOT saying that white is the supreme race...Let's get that straight coming out the gates!)...These are two totally different things...Their way of thinking is corrupt right from the get go!...They do use scripture to try and defend what they believe...But their views on those scriptures are so far out in left field anyone can tell that it is all unbiblical...They do not go to the original language...They only argue out of hatred...My views are not based on hatred or racism at all...It is based on checking out the Hebrew
language.

I do not think that white is a supreme race...There is no such thing as a supreme race!...We are all of the HUMAN race!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 11 Dec 2003 09:19 Post subject: quote

Ras B-Ok...I was thinking..And I have to ask you if you are using a Strong's concordance...If not,Then you might not see it...But if so,it is there.

The phrase "Take it to the prime" means exactly that...FOR EXAMPLE:sometimes when you look up a word you might see it say something like from # 114...Or something like that...And what you have to do is look at the word that that number references...Sometimes you will have 5 or 6 different words that say from # 114...And you have to trace it all the way back to prime word.

OK That was only an example...Perhaps a poorly explained one...But now for the real thing

119 HEBREW...ADAM...To show blood (in the face),i.e. flush or turn rosy:-be (dyed,made) red(ruddy)

That is the prime word

But the numbers 120...121...122...123...124...125...126...127...128...129...130...131...132...All of these words reference #119

And when you look at these words you have to trace it all the way back to the prime word.

I said I knew the verse that the racist theologians use for their argument...If this subject is bothering you...Then please do not read any further...But the racists like to twist Hosea 4:2...Where it says blood touches blood...They try to use this to say that God is against interracial relationships...They use that verse to say that we should not mix races...This is sooooo NOT what I believe!!...This verse is talking about murder...And it means bloodshed on top of bloodshed on top of bloodshed...Nowhere in my studies am I taught that racist junk that those people teach!!

I did not point any of this out to upset anyone...I showed it to you to perhaps better equip you if you ever do have a conversation with a racist who believes that junk.

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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 11 Dec 2003 10:18 Post subject: quote thats exactly what i did CF, the deffinition i gave above for adam is the deffinition for 119. i got it off of blueletterbible.org which has strongs concordance on it. so i still stand on my previous statements
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 11 Dec 2003 10:21 Post subject: quote **Quote:** Why do you act like you do not see it?.. no acting here, i wrote the exact deffintion i see in the concordance for #119
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 11 Dec 2003 11:03 Post subject: quote Yeah..I was thinking that we were looking it up from two different sources...I tried that blue letter website you were talking about...I really could not figure out how to really use it..It is very confusing...I think the actual book of the Strong's concordance is much much easier to use..I did look up the word "ruddy" on that website and it does not give the defintion given in the The New Strong's exhaustive concordance which is actually the one I have...And also I don't think you can trace it to the prime on there(I could be wrong..But it was very confusing for me...Difficult to understand how to use)..But hey good for you for checking it out!! ...Sorry for any misunderstanding ...Anyone who has the same concordance as I do can verify that I was giving you the correct definition for #119. If you do not have the actual book of the New Strong's concordance..I would advise you as a friend to get one...They are very useful...And if you can not get one...Let me know and I maybe can send you one. _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 11 Dec 2003 23:21 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> If you do not have the actual book of the New Strong's concordance..I would advise you as a friend to get one...They are very useful...And if you can not get one...Let me know and I maybe can send you one

i appreciate the offer but i am content with that site it serves me well. i actually looked up the word adam on there not ruddy and thats were i got to #119 in strongs and the deffinition it gave

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 12 Dec 2003 10:13 Post subject: quote

That's cool..Dr. Strong's work is very helpful...But understand that you may not be getting the full definitions from that website...I really don't think it is updated....The New Strong's exhaustive concordance goes much more in depth.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 15 Dec 2003 22:40 Post subject: quote

fiyah i have to further disagree with your adam/ruddy/#119/whiteman theory.

the word adam #120 means man and i believe that is why his name the firsts mans name was adam. basically his name was Man.

the word adam/man is used 552 times in the old testament and all of those times #119 is the root word. let me show you how ridiculous you #119 thoery is to apply it to man#120

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Lev. 18:5 You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man does, he shall live by them: I am the Lord.

so would you say thwn that Jah is only asking whitemen whose blood ahows through their skin to keep his statutes and judgements
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Lev. 24:17'Whoever kills any man shall surely be put to death.

so only if you kill a white man you will be put to death

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further the word#119 in never used in the bible as a human characteristic

i think the definition of the original language is important to kow but if you apply the deffinition of its root word the meaning can get distorted. if you interprated the whole bible like that you would end up with some messed up stuff

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 15 Dec 2003 22:46 Post subject: | quote

sorry i forgot to add the numbers in those two verses but the concordance reference number for the word man used in both of those verses is 0120

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 17 Dec 2003 12:55 Post subject: | quote

Didn't I just explain to you guys about the prime???....That's what I thought I did....And now you guys just want to pick up the argument where we left off....What did I just tell you guys??.....The prime for #120 IS #119.

You still have to take it to the prime....which IS #119!

There is no way that you can get away from #119 when using #120...Because #119 is the prime

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 17 Dec 2003 13:07 Post subject: quote

It is the prime, but what is the primary *meaning* of that word? it is clearly "Man", NOT "ruddy". You do not translate it as "ruddy" except in a few cases. The primary meanign is MAN. Made from EARTH. Which is red, hence ruddy.

I am sure you will carry on doing so, but you cannot make the logical jumps you are doing to get to "white". Carry on, but this is all I'm saying about it.

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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 17 Dec 2003 19:15 Post subject: quote

obviously fiyah you didnt understand my examples so i will show them again, interpreting these verses using your "take it to the prime" method.

Lev. 18:5 You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man#120 does, he shall live by them: I am the Lord.
---now if you take that to the deffinition of the root word like you are trying to prove is right, heres what the verse says:---
Lev. 18:5 You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a white man does, he shall live by them: I am the Lord.

so if we are going to follow your method then we have not other choice but to see that the verse is saying Jah is only telling white men to keep His statutes and commandments. so then we could say that everyone else who is not white doesnt have to keep Jah commandments

are we on the same page here fiyah? do you see how ridiculous that verse is when you apply your take it to the root method on the word #120 all the time? lets look at another example now

Lev. 24:17'Whoever kills any man#120 shall surely be put to death.
---- now lets interprate this using your method
Lev. 24:17'Whoever kills any white man shall surely be put to death.

so only if you kill a white man you will be put to death? you can kill other people with different skin color and not be put to death for it?

i hope you see what i am getting at here. if you must take #120 to the root in genesis then you must do it in the rest of the old testament and in

all the other verses in the old testament the "take it to prime" method makes no sense in the context of the verse or the rest of the bible.

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Jah Servant
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Posted: 18 Dec 2003 03:05 Post subject: | quote

you can't always take a word to it's prime, even in our language it's the same. If they wanted to use the prime, then they wouldn't have used the word they used, right? It gives things a different meaning, even though it's based from another word.

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Psalm 27:4
One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 19 Dec 2003 19:25 Post subject: | quote

Dr.Strong does do some good work...But you can't expect everything to be already laid out for you...You have got to do do some work yourself.

Ras B is trying to take this conversation somewhere where it should not be going.

Also you must realize that Adam means mankind=male and female...Red ,Yellow ,Black,White....Created on the 6th day

There is also haw-aw-dawm...That is to say "THE" Adam...Formed on the 8th day.....Ruddy complected

So really...When you say "Adam".....You really need to clarify which one you are referring to.

Adam means mankind...Male and female....Race does not matter....Adam can be a white man...A black man....A red man...and so on.

But haw-aw-dawm..."THE" Adam...was ruddy complected...Showing blood in the face.

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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 19 Dec 2003 19:52 Post subject: quote **Quote:** Ras B is trying to take this conversation somewhere where it should not be going so basically your saying this conversation should'nt go somewhere that disproves your theory. what i said is completly relevant, no matter what the prime word says you have to take every bit of the bible in context with itself. **Quote:** Also you must realize that Adam means mankind=male and female...Red ,Yellow ,Black,White....Created on the 6th day but if you take it to the ADAM#120 in gen. 1:26 to the prime#119 then it doesnt leave room for other colors of people **Quote:** But haw-aw-dawm..."THE" Adam...was ruddy complected...Showing blood in the face. so you can apply you root word method only when you decide its appropriate then right? **Quote:** Adam means mankind...Male and female....Race does not matter....Adam can be a white man...A black man....A red man...and so on. not if you take it to the root, it makes it all light skinned.
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Dec 2003 19:55 Post subject: quote

Ras B-No that is not what I am saying...You are really trying to show me out to be a racsist...It is not going to work.

The reason you can not understand what I am saying is because you probably believe that there was only one man in the beginning.

The man created in Genesis 1 was also adam...CREATED on the 6th day...This word "adam" means mankind..Male and female were created at the same time...and they were adam=mankind..This is when God created all the races...And he looked and saw that it was VERY GOOD!<<This is what I believe..So to call me a racsist is pretty ignorant.

Then there was a man FORMED on the 8th day...haw-aw-dawm...Or "THE" Adam...His actual name was Adam...He was ruddy complected...He was of the adamic race(Ruddy race).

So you really have to do the work yourself when looking up words.

When talking about the 6th day man...it is adam=mankind=male and female.

When talking about 8th day man...it is Adam=ruddy

Some people may disagree with me on this...But let me say this if you are thinking that way...Check out the Hebrew manuscrpits...Check out a companion Bible....And you will find it there.

Also answer this:If you think Adam was the only human on Earth.
1) How come in Genesis 1...animals were created BEFORE man was created...And in Genesis 2...animals were formed AFTER man was formed???

To some..(That believe that Adam was the only human on Earth)This might look like a contradiction in the Bible...But it is NOT!!

Clearly this is talking about two different people.....6th day man....and 8th day man.

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Ras B
Moderator

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Posted: 21 Dec 2003 22:00 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> You are really trying to show me out to be a racsist...It is not going to work.

no fiyah actually i'm not, i am just strongly opposed to your intrepration of adam and the hebrew deffinition, ect.

Quote:

> When talking about the 6th day man...it is adam=mankind=male and female.
>
> When talking about 8th day man...it is Adam=ruddy

thats your opinion, and your right i don not beleive that Jah created all races on the sixth day. the bible even says that we are all decendants of adam and that is why we all inherit his sin nature. if Jah created many races of men and women on the sixth day and Adam on the eigth day then why did Jah have to create woman from his own rib and not just bring him a woman from wherever the poeple where that you think were around already?

Quote:

> Also answer this:If you think Adam was the only human on Earth.
> 1) How come in Genesis 1...animals were created before man was created...And in Genesis 2...animals were formed after man was formed???

thats irrelevant because genesis two also says he formed adam before the plants and vegetation sprouted up and genesis one says that he created those one the three days before when you say all the races were created. that is an interesting subject that i need to further study but really has no bearing whether or not adam was the only one on earth

Quote:

> Clearly this is talking about two different people.....6th day man....and 8th day man.

the only really clear thing here is that that is your own opinion

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Posted: 21 Dec 2003 22:10 Post subject: quote

Ras B

Check out the Hebrew manuscripts...You can not argue with them...Also check out a companion Bible...You will find out that it is not just my opinion...It is a documented fact!....Check into it....And you will find that those things DO have some bearing as to if Adam was the only human on Earth.

By saying that things are irrelevant really shows me that you are trying to dodge the question.

And if Adam was the only human being on Earth...Then the Bible does contradict itself.

I am a firm believer that God's word is true...And whenever it looks like God's word is in error...It is actually me that is in error.

God's word is not in error...That is why there is more to it than just what you read in the English language....The Hebrew language goes way way more into detail than the English language...And the Hebrew manuscripts clearly show that there was a 6th day and an 8th day man....adam and THE Adam.

Why did God make Eve out of Adam's rib and not just bring him a woman that was already created?

Good question! ..... That is why you must know the difference in "CREATED" and "FORMED"

All the other woman were CREATED...."THE" Adam was FORMED....And he took Eve out of Adam so that she would be FORMED as well.

Because it would be Eve's womb that Christ would come through(Umbilical cord to umbilical cord)....Eve was the mother of all living..YES....But this does not mean that all humans came from her womb....It means that Christ would come through her womb...Christ IS life!...And if you believe in Christ then you are living...THAT is why Eve is called the mother of all living.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Posted: 21 Dec 2003 22:26 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> By saying that things are irrelevant really shows me that you are trying to dodge the question.

actually no i am sying it is irrelevant because there are other part of genesis two that dont seem to line up with genesis one.

your are right the bible does not contrdict itself, only people can contradict the bible, and i disagree with your interpretation, and there are scholars way more studied and knowledgable then you and i and the there are some that beleive as you do and other that believe as i do so you interpretation is your opinion and the way you choose to believe, and i am simply saying i dont agree with it. we can go one with all these hypothetical situation about why did God do this and why does it say that and it all just comes down to how you interprate the bible and we already know we disagree on your take it to the root method for #120 so it really doesnt suprise me that we disagree on this topic either

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 21 Dec 2003 23:06 Post subject: quote The reason why you can not agree with me is because you don't really understand what I am talking about...Yes there are scholars more knowledgeable than you or I....Dr.Strong is one of them. I do not ask questions like "why does God do this and that"....I mean I don't ask other people...I DO ask myself sometimes....Then I look and check it out and find the answer...People who go around asking other people questions like that will NEVER learn anything...Because they should be asking themselves. Some people don't pay attention to anything...They don't have a solid platform at all....They still ask questions like "Why does God do this and that"...And no matter what answer you give them they still will not be satisfied...Simply because deep down they don't really believe there is an answer...They are still in wonder...They like to be in wonder...They like to hear all sorts of explanations rather than hear the explanation...Instead of looking and checking it out to find THE answer so that they can be assured of it.....They are satisfied with all others opinions which does not amount up to a hill of beans...And to be quite honest...They are still confused....In babylon.....All of those opinions jumbled together are confusion=babylon. Now you can either be consumed by all the questions and confusion and be taken away by babylon...Or you can pay attention stand up like a man and really find out what you do believe on some things...Stop asking questions like "Why does God do this and that"...Realize that it is not a big mystery that we have to wonder about all our lives...There IS an answer and we can know and be assured of it today!

Satan will use political correctness to try and stop you from learning about God's word....It is not politically correct to say that you are assured of anything.....It is politically correct to think that you have not been assured of anything and that you must listen to all other opinions to find truth...That is also new age-ish too.

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Ras B
Moderator

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Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 22 Dec 2003 11:05 Post subject: | quote

Quote:

> The reason why you can not agree with me is because you don't really understand what I am talking about.

i know exactly what you talking about, i am not new to biblical interpretation on or study, i simply do not agree with you i know what you are talking about and how you arrived a those conclusions, and i still dont agree with the conclusions or how you got there, simple as that

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 24 Dec 2003 03:33 Post subject: | quote

Don't play along like you totally understand what I mean...I can tell you don't!

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
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Posted: 24 Dec 2003 22:45 Post subject: | quote

i am through with this discission cause its ridiculous, now you are telling me what i understand, as if you could know. this is just one of quite a few things we have reasoned about and i simply do not agree with you or your biblical interpretion methods. and that is fine with me i see no reason why we must agree.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 25 Dec 2003 06:42 Post subject: quote

There you go again man!...Pretending like you know exactly what I am talking about...I know that you don't...Because if you really did know...Then you would know about the Hebrew manuscripts...And you would know that they very clearly are talking about two different men..Adam=As in mankind.....And Adam=THE man Adam.

If you truly do know what I am talking about...Then why do you disagree with the Hebrew manuscrpits?...You'd be stupid to do that...That's how I know that you have no clue what I mean.

That's actually a compliment...I don't think you would be that dumb.

But...I can't make you believe something...You'll just have to check it out for yourself!

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cross fiyah
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Posted: 28 Dec 2003 01:37 Post subject: quote

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Mylene
Forum Veteran

Joined: 31 Oct 2002
Posts: 220

Posted: 29 Dec 2003 16:35 Post subject: quote

I happened upon this website and found it informative and very insightful.

http://www.blackapologetics.com/

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils! For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 30 Dec 2003 01:45 Post subject: quote What's up with the satanic symbols on that site?....The T-square and the compass? _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 30 Dec 2003 05:27 Post subject: quote Ray did you recognoze any of the people where the symbols were? They happen to be a few of the false religions that have been specific to the Black Community. That is what is up with the symbols.
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 30 Dec 2003 05:37 Post subject: quote I noticed that...What's up with that?...I don't know....It's not a big deal. _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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brian_ Joined: 11 Feb 2004 Posts: 83	Posted: 13 Feb 2004 08:10 Post subject: Deleted quote Deleted Last edited by brian_ on 24 Feb 2004 04:24; edited 1 time in total
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 14 Feb 2004 11:39 Post subject: quote

So what are you saying?

Are you saying that whites and blacks are not two different races?

Are you really saying that being black comes from running around under the sun?....And that being white comes from staying covered up?

NO SIR!!

They are two different races...They are unique...And each has their differences....God knows those differences and he loves them for it!

A white man can not just automatically turn into a black man....Or vise versa!

You are right about the "Ruddy" thing...You asked what importance is that...Well if you can point out Biblical facts that lead you to that conclusion.....(AS you did)....Then people have no reason for calling you a racist for believeing it do they?...No!

But still there will be those that insist you are a racist no matter how much Biblical evidence you give them.....Don't let that bother you!

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brian_

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 15 Feb 2004 05:46 Post subject: quote

No way I am not racist!

Dude just because there are different races....That does not mean that the different races are different species.....That is just absurd!

We all are human!....But we are not all the same race.

There are differences in the races...That is science too!

And it is NOT a question of adaptation....God did not just allow the races to slowly develop....He created each race AS IS....Blacks were blacks....Whites were whites....Reds were reds.....Yellows were yellow.....There has been absoluetly NO change in the races since their creation.....God looked and said everything was VERY GOOD!

That is why noone should ever try to apologize for or excuse their race in front of me.

God does not deal in things that are not natural.....As in changing ones race.....He just does NOT do it!

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 15 Feb 2004 08:53 Post subject: quote Dude....Are you even awake?! There are different races...That is a fact!....Different races DOES NOT mean different species!!....Where in the world did you get that?!....NOT from me!!...Because that is NOT what I am saying!! And I know there is only one race...The human race. But within that human race there are different ethnic races....We have White..Black..Red..Yellow. Now are whites the same ethnic as blacks?....NO! Are blacks the same ethnic as reds?.....NO! Are Yellows the same ethnic as blacks or whites or reds?....NO!! The difference is in the ethnicity NOT the species!.....The species is human no matter what ethnicity.....The species does not change just because of a different ethnicity!! So I really do not see why we have to agree to disagree....Disagree on what!? If you are saying that whites,blacks,reds,and yellows are the same race/ethnicity then you are wrong.....You are taking away from the uniqueness that God gave to each of the races/ethnicities. _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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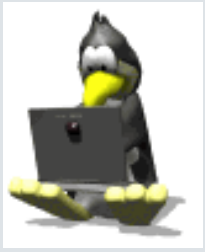
Messian Dread
Forum Veteran



Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 15 Feb 2004 11:33 Post subject: quote

[/ignore mode]
I usually do not repsond to this crossfire character because he is a provocateur, but his absurdity reaches beyond the usual anger here. Just look what he said:

> **Quote:**
> And it is NOT a question of adaptation....God did not just allow the races to slowly develop....He created each race AS IS....Blacks were blacks....Whites were whites....Reds were reds.....Yellows were yellow.....There has been absoluetly NO change in the races since their creation.....

I guess that crossfire hasn't read that part of scripture during his training sessions in the provocateur school that says that everyoman is created out of one blood. So until the crossfire proofs that God created Adam as 5 or 6 different humans of a different race, an absurdity which doesn't even sound logical when written down, you can safely assumethat mister crossfire has this time talked himself into a corner in which he is exposed as a provocateur, simply saying things to provoke the other, making the other mad.
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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 15 Feb 2004 12:39 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread you don't know what you are talking about!

I am in no way a provavcateur....And besides....How do you know soooooo much about them?.....Are you one?.....Because it would take one to know one!

I have already pointed out the fact that the sixth day man is very different from the eighth day man.

The Massara LOCks in truth so that NO man can change it.....That means you too MD!!

The Greens interlinear notes are the best set of Hebrew manuscripts we have.

Search it out for yourself if you think I am pulling your leg!

The word "Man" used in the sixth day is just "Adam" which means man or mankind in general....God made male and female simutaniously at this time....This is when God also made all of the races of people.

The word "Man" used AFTER God rested....On the eighth day.....Is very different than just man or mankind.....It is even spelled differently in the Hebrew text.....It is ETH-HA-ADAM.....NOT just Adam.....But ETH-HA-ADAM.....That is to say THE MAN ADAM.....What man Adam??.....THE man Adam that Christ would come through!.....It is emphatic!!.....VERY EMPHATIC!!

The word "Man" used on the sixth day is VERY DIFFERENT from the word "Man" used on the eighth day.....They are two totally different words.....Spelled differently and all!.....Like I said.....IT IS VERY EMPHATIC!!

So don't come around me with your labels MD.....Just go on!!.....If you don't have the willingness to search it out for yourself....Then YES!!...You better ignore me!!.....Because I do not appreciate your noneducated labeling system!!

I know...I know.....You are just burning up with passion to call me a "racist" aren't you.....Well maybe you need to practice what you preach about tearing down others!....And maybe you need to look at yourself and see if you are one of those agent provacateurs!!.....Because you sure do like to put labels on people!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 16 Feb 2004 01:27 Post subject:

quote

You are correct God is not a racist....But he does like variety.....And to say that we are all one race is to take away from the uniqueness of each people.....God created each people different.....God knows that difference and it pleases him just fine!....Or should I say Very GOOD!!

If you knew anything about science in this area....Then you would know that this earth AGE is only approx. 6,000 years old.....If we all came from one womb then that would not even be enough time to do all the changing.

The Bible does say that Eve is the mother of all living...But that does not mean that we all came from her womb....No way!.....It means that she is the mother of all christians.....If you have Christ then you have life and are living...That is what it means.....Because down the line umbilical cord to umbilical cord Christ would come.

There is no way that we all came from the same womb.....literally.

To say that would be to say that Christ in the flesh was the same race as the ones that mixed with the fallen angels.....NoWAY!!.....Christ was pure in more ways than one!!

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Posted: 16 Feb 2004 01:29 Post subject:

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Brian-Are you familiar with the Hebrew manuscripts?

Are you familiar with Adam and Eth-Ha-Adam?

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 16 Feb 2004 14:59 Post subject: quote

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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 17 Feb 2004 06:52 Post subject: quote If you don't have the willingness to search it out for yourself.....Then here is a little something for easy access to help you. http://www.bibleword.org/genesis4.html http://www.mechon-mamre.org/p/pt/pt0101.htm Now you can sit there and sigh and shrug your shoulders all you want....But it shows your ignorance!.....Check it out for yourself!!.....I am not expecting you to believe me.....Because after you check the facts you will see that what I have been saying is the truth!! ETH-HA-ADam was simply THE MAN.....That God's chosen people and the Messiah would come through! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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GodFollower Administrator Joined: 07 May 2002 Posts: 114	Posted: 17 Feb 2004 07:04 Post subject: quote What is to be gained in these arguments? This is not glorifying to God. It doesn't show love. It shows one person's determination to be right. So much for the discussion. How about treating each other with more respect. Cross Fiyah...if you want to be heard, you need to listen.
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 17 Feb 2004 07:24 Post subject: quote

Listen to what?

Listen to lies and nonsense and jibberish?.....No thanks!!

I am very easy with people that are learning just as I am.

But when someone comes along setting themselves up as a speaker or a teacher and they are spreading lies.....That is when I speak out with seriousness and rebuke!!

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Boomshakalacka

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Posts: 81
Location: in the cleft of the Rock

Posted: 17 Feb 2004 09:37 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah, you state that the
word used for 'man' in Genesis 1
is ADAM and in Genesis 2 is
ETH-HA-ADAM.
I can't check it 'cause my reference
material is simply a Strong's
Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible.
But, even if I could I'd still be adhering
to the following...
I am of the belief that there were not
2 seperate creations of 'man' and that
just as the Word uses different names
for God throughout the Old Testament
i.e. ELOHIYM, EL, YeHOVAH...that the
different names for man still refer to the
same fellow i.e. Adam

created in His image...

God is love, <><

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cross fiyah
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Posted: 17 Feb 2004 12:39 Post subject: quote

Thank you for sharing!

I realize what you are saying...And that is what I used to believe also...That Adam was the only human on earth.

I am about to sound like a broken record here...But that is okay.

But when you look at the Hebrew manuscripts.....(As I have provided).....When you look at Genesis 1.....The word used for man is simply "Adam".....This word has no article.....Therefore it means just man or mankind in general..... In Genesis 1 God created male and female at the same time.....And these people were hunters and fisherman.

When you look at the word for man in Genesis 2....It does have an article.....ETH-HA-.....Meaning The man or this very man.....This very man was the man that God's chosen people would come through and also the Messiah.....Therefore it becomes emphatic!.....Very emphatic.....The word is spelled differently with the article.....Genesis 1 is spelled without the article or particle.

Therefore these are two different men.....Adam(Mankind)-hunters and fishers.....ETH-HA-ADAM(The very man Adam)-farmer

Brother don't let me overload your donkey!....If this is too much for you come back to it later.....If not, get into the Hebrew!.....It is awesome.

Here is that site so you can actually see the Hebrew language.

http://www.mechon-mamre.org/p/pt/pt0101.htm

pronounced:
Aw-Dawm
Eth-Haw-Awdawm

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warrior
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Posted: 17 Feb 2004 22:48 Post subject: quote

Better late then never. Here goes anyways.

I wanted to share something with you guys relating to skin color and races.

> **Quote:**
> Are there really white people in the world today?

To be technically correct, NO. Most people don't know that all human beings have the same skin color. Let me explain; We all have a pigment called "melanin". If you have a lot of melanin, you can be very dark,even black. Other than albinos, who don't have much pigment, NO ONE is really white. We all have this brownish pigment. And it can be shown from simple genetics that if we started with Adam and Eve as middle-brown (ruddy) that IN JUST ONE GENERATION there could be children who are black or light brown or anything in-between!

Now why do we have some groups of people in our world who are black,dark brown, and other middle-brown and so on! The answer is in Genesis. After the event of thbe Tower of Babel, populations were split into groups, which resulted in certain shades of melanin being concentrated in particular groups. This is what we could call "natural selection" according to the creation model, NOT Darwin's theory.

This is another great example to help us understand that ALL human beings are descendants of the first couple Adam and Eve.

> **Quote:**
> Are there such things as "black" and "white" skin colors?

Back to skin pigment (melanin). This pigment is produced by cells called melanocytes.

Dr. Anthony du Viver London's College, made this statement :

There are the same number of melanocytes to be found in both Negroid and Caucasion skin.

If this is so, then why is Caucasion skin light and Negroid skin dark?

Well, the only difference is that the tiny pigment packaging units called "melonosomes" are slightly larger and more numerous per cell in dark skinned than light skinned people.

Many people think that skin color is a major difference among humans-but it's not. It's just a variation due to the amount of pigment. This fits the fact that ALL humans are descedants of one man and one woman- Adam and Eve. We're all related-which is why we can preach to ALL people groups in the world-just as the bible tells us to.

> **Quote:**
> How could black parents have white children?

A family in London, England, will be going to the Guiness book of World Records. **And the reason?**Well, both parents are of typical African appearence with dark skin ,eyes, and hair. Yet their THREE children have white skin, blonde hair and hazel-green eyes!!!

The reason for this is because each child happened to inherit a gene for a form of albinism from each parent. This resulted in a very low production of the pigment melanin that is found in the skin, hair and eyes.

Because so many people have benn brainwashed in evolutionary ideas, they incorrectly believe there are different races of people in the world. That's why we all need to get back to the correct biblical view of history - ALL humans are of one blood- descended from Adam!

From the book **DID ADAM HAVE A BELLY BUTTON? By Ken Ham**

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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woe yucka yoi
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Posted: 18 Feb 2004 09:27 Post subject: quote

I understand the big hang up here is wether there are diffierent races or not.
The human race,homo sapiens is one.
But there are homo sapiens with different skincolours and characteristic differences in the skeleton.(for example scull form of eskimoe,asian,african,european)
That DOES NOT mean that there are diffirent races.
We are all the same race.
Understand totally Warrior and Brian.
Less i understand you Cross on this one..Tried to follow your argument from way back on this thread,but i do not understand where you got your interpretation from.
It does not make sense,because then the whole christian way of seeing human being and creation would be incorrect,which would also mean that all christian truth we believe and follow would be incorrect.
Do you understand what i mean Ray?

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Together in His footsteps!!

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 18 Feb 2004 13:13 Post subject: quote

CF, what do you consider the theological implications of there being "two Adams" (and two races of humanity?) ?

For example, if you are proposing two creations of humanity, the second being the "chosen" for the redemptive line leading to Christ, what is the purpose of the first?

Do you consider that the "hunter/fisher" race exist today?

How does your "two race" theory relate to Christ as the "second Adam"? And to His saving role of the descendents of the First adam? Are your huneter/fisher race excluded from this?

Just wondering...

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Author	Message
warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 419 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 18 Feb 2004 17:11 Post subject: quote Going along with what Talking Dog is writing (I think). **Quote:** We inherit our sin nature from our first father, Adam. If there were other races of people that God supposedly made, and these people didn't sin as Adam did, and then Adam's sinful descendants married them,well, the whole gospel message then becomes meaningless. **Also, race is a social construct derived mainly from perceptions conditioned by events of recorded history, and it has NO basic biological reality!** Did Adam have a belly button? By Ken Ham _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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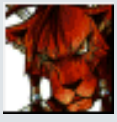
cross fiyah Forum Veteran  Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 19 Feb 2004 08:03 Post subject: quote

Like I have said before.....And also like I have been saying from the start.

My basis for this belief comes straight from the Hebrew manuscripts.....Do you guys doubt that this is in the Hebrew manuscripts?.....Well if so,All you gotta do is go check it out for yourself!

Talking Dog-Like I say.....Go to the Hebrew.....That is where my basis is!

What was the purpose of the first creation?.....To replenish the earth!

No this creation is not excluded from the saving grace of Christ.....And yes these people (There are many) do exist today.....They are all around us!.....Just look at the different races.

Eth-Ha-Adam was the first Adam.....This is the man that became a living soul.....Christ is the second Adam.....He became a quickening (Life giving) spirit.

Warrior- No sir we did not all come from one womb.....And we are not all one blood.....All that is spiritual not literal.

There is even science that shows the difference in the races.....And it proves that one race could not turn into another race.....The races are different and unique.....That is how God wanted it!

Again.....I will bring up the questions:Where did Cain get his wife?.....And when God punished Cain,Who were all the people that Cain was afraid would kill him?

Well.....Like I said.....Cain's wife was one of those sixth day creations.....And Cain was afraid that all the other sixth day creations would kill him.

Also.....Look at the story of Noah.....The Bible says that Noah was spared because he was perfect.....This word "Perfect" does not mean perfect the way we think of perfect.....The correct definition is "Pedigree".....I am sure many of you have heard that word referring to dog's breeding.....Well.....It means Noah's bloodlines were still pure.

To say that we are all one race is the same as saying Christ in the flesh was the same race as those that mixed with the fallen angels.....And that is just wrong!!

Christ was of the Adamic race.....Because he came through Eth-Ha-Adam's bloodlines....Ruddy.....The Adamic race is a very specific

race.....And the very definition will show you just how specific it is.

The fallen angels were not just going after any ol' women.....No.....They were going after the daughters of Eth-Ha-Adam.....The daughters of ONE man.....Why?.....Because it would be through Eth-Ha-Adam that Christ would come through.

The fallen angels came and had offspring with the daughters of Eth-Ha-Adam.....And the Bible says that they became men of reknown.....The word reknown means "Of old".....This was satan's attempt to destroy the innocence of man.....Man was born innocent with no memory of the first earth age (When a third of God's children followed satan).....The fallen angels mixing with the daughters of Eth-Ha-Adam gave the offspring memory of the first earth age.....That was satan's attempt to destroy man's innocence.....And also his attempt to destroy Christ.....And that is why God had to destroy those angels and their offspring and everyone else that had mixed with them.....Only Noah was saved because of his Pedigree!

So to say that we are all one race.....And to declare that as a literal fact.....You would be wrong.

Some may get vexed and say"Well you are talking about racist teaching"

No I am not!!.....WAKE UP!!.....There is nothing racist about God setting aside a man (Eth-Ha-Adam).....To let his chosen people and the Messiah come through.....He needed a race/bloodline that would stay pure and clean so that Messiah could come!

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blaminack
Moderator

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Posted: 19 Feb 2004 13:14 Post subject: quote

What about Ruth the Moabite? Purity of bloodline was not the point. The point was to show that Christ came through the flesh like anyone else and that he was in line for Davids throne.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 19 Feb 2004 15:07 Post subject: quote

Cross, how would you explain these pasages in light of your interpretation:

Genesis 2

When the LORD God made the earth and the heavens- 5 and no shrub of the field had yet appeared on the earth [2] and no plant of the field had yet sprung up, for the LORD God had not sent rain on the earth [3] **and there was no man to work the ground**, 6 but streams [4] came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground- 7 the LORD God formed the man [5] from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Where were the hunter/fisher humans if, as verse 3 states, "there was no man to work the ground"? Your interpretation seems to suggest that they preceded "The Adam" of Genesis 2, yet this says there was "no man".

Also genesis 2: 18 onward:
18 The LORD God said, "**It is not good for the man to be alone**. I will make a helper suitable for him."
19 Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. 20 So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field.
But for Adam [8] no suitable helper was found.

If your "other race" was around, how is it that "The Adam" is alone?

The two accounts of Genesis 1 and 2 are not two separate creations, but two accounts of the same events, with different emphases. Do you know anyone else who teaches what you are suggesting?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Posted: 19 Feb 2004 18:54 Post subject: quote

We **A**re **T**ruly **C**reated **H**ey, **OUT** Of **ONE B**lood **E**quality **A**nd **S**cientifically **T**oo.

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One Love,

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tdfriday

Joined: 30 Jan 2004
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Posted: 19 Feb 2004 19:16 Post subject: The important color... quote

Doesn't matter what color He was. As long as the blood that poured out of His side was RED...

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"...the Utmost for the Highest"

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warrior
Forum Veteran

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Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 19 Feb 2004 19:31 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread,

cross fiyah :

> **Quote:**
>
> There is even science that shows the difference in the races.....And it proves that one race could not turn into another race.....The races are different and unique.....

Where is your scientific proof? I gave proof. Did you not read it?????

cross fiyah :

> **Quote:**
>
> To say that we are all one race is the same as saying Christ in the flesh was the same race as those that mixed with the fallen angels.....And that is just wrong!!

COME ON! These are fallen angels; not from GOD'S same creation as Adam!!!!!!Don't relate it to that. The flood destroyed the children of these fallen angels and Noah was not from one of these "mixed" relations. Noah was found righteous and was still born of Adam not from any of the Nephilim.

cross fiyah :

> **Quote:**
>
> Again..I will bring up the questions:Where did Cain get his wife?

Because JESUS became a man, only descendants of Adam can be saved. So you see-it's important to be able to defend that **ALL**human beings are descendants of the same one man and one woman.

So who was Cain's wife? Genesis 5:4 also states that Adam and Eve had sons and Daughters. Cain must have married his sister. Now marrying a close relative wasn't a problem at the beginning- it was only outlawed at the time of Moses, when close relatives marrying often led to genetic mistakes in their offspring. This has been discussed with you before. I think it was with Jah Servant.

> **Quote:**
>
> At the time of Thomas Jefferson, 200 years ago, when people used the term "races" they would think of the Irish or the English race and so on. However Charles Darwin changed all that when he published his book On THE ORIGINS of SPECIES. The title actually included the words "the Preservation of Favored Races in the struggle for LIfe"

Darwin was racist and anyone else who thinks that there was more then ONE man created in the begining is also.

> **Quote:**
>
> The word "races" conjures up evolutionary over tones. Many people think "evolution" when they hear this word. As a result of this situation, I believe we need to drop the term "races" when talking about mankind. Based on the Bible, and understand the split-up of people due to the tower of babel event, I believe we should use the words "people groups". After all- there is only **ONE** race of people, ALL descendants of Adam.

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 08:31 Post subject: quote

Warrior-Are you calling me racist?....I guess I can call you ignorant.....Because you are.....You are ignorant of the Hebrew.....And you call me a racist out of ignorance.

Talking dog-One thing you need to know is that sometimes when the Bible says the word "Earth".....The subject is not always the whole entire earth....But just a part of the earth.....The garden was not created for just any man.....It was created for Eth-Ha-Adam.....So tell me this.....Why would God have to put anything there before he formed Eth-Ha-Adam??.....He wouldn't!.....That is why there was nothing there.

And there was no man to work the ground.....There was NONE!.....Why?.....Because the sixth day creation was not farmers.....They were hunters and fishers.....Not tillers of the ground!

Even though there were other men and women created.....Eth-Ha-Adam was all alone.....Why?.....Because Eth-Ha-Adam was FORMED not CREATED.....And there was no other woman on the earth that was FORMED.....That is why he was all alone.....That is why Eve was taken from Adam so that she would be FORMED as well.

You do know there is a difference between CREATED and FORMED don't you?.....If you understand that then how can you say these are the same man?.....NO!.....One was CREATED and the other was FORMED.

Blaminack-I could explain that to you very easily....But I am not going to bring up anything new about this subject for now.

If you guys would like to talk about this without jumping to conclusions and calling names.....I will do it.

But if all you guys are gonna do is call names and jump to conclusions then...I won't talk with you.

You guys jump to conclusions and start calling names out of ignorance.....All yall are ignorant that call names.....Yeah I said it!.....Ig-Nor-Ant!!

You don't have the willingness to check things out for yourself.....So instead you call names and jump to conclusions.....That shows nothing but stupidity!

I do not expect people to already know all of this stuff....It is not commonly taught.....But it is indeed in the manuscripts.....Do you guys know any Jews?.....If you guys know any Jewsish people they will be able to confirm what I said is true!

No....I don't expect everyone to already know all of this.....But why can't I expect you guys to act like christians if you say you are christians?.....I also am a christian.....And I can say that you guys are not acting christian like by calling names.....saying I am the antichrist.....Jumping to conclusions.

You guys are about as christian like as the sole of my shoe!

Remember..God's children are destroyed because of lack of knowledge.....So you can just keep on closing your ears....And continue to call names and jump to conclusions.....And see where that gets you!

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Author	Message
Boomshakalacka Joined: 23 Dec 2003 Posts: 81 Location: in the cleft of the Rock	Posted: 20 Feb 2004 10:29 Post subject: quote crossfiyah...don't you think calling names is a little silly? Like that old adage: Boys will be boys and men will be boys? just kidding! But seriously, I have concerns about the 2 bloodline theory and as is very apparent, others here do as well. This type of ideology is adhered to by high level masons, KKK (which was founded by a 33rd degree mason), Anglo-American lost tribers, original WWCOG cultists, Kenite theorists, serpent seeders~with gnosticism following it's heels (or should I say tail?) and a whole twack of other 'identity' groups. These groups are an affront to Jesus Christ and His redemptive work freely given to all humanity. T'is the doctrine of demons in my opinion. Please don't misunderstand what I am saying here...I am in no way saying you align yourself with such...I just have grave concerns about the teaching of seperate

bloodlines that are the underpinnings of these types of groups.

You have argued your point passionately, however for someone like me who was conditioned from tender years that... "intercourse with 'sub-races' is akin to intercourse with apes"...I must take exception in the name of my Lord and Savior to such teaching and I am always on the lookout for that seed of hatred called racism.

I hope you will receive this with the LOVE that it is spoken in.

a sister in Christ, <><

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Talking Dog
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Posted: 20 Feb 2004 10:37 Post subject: quote

CF your exegesis is seriously WACK and takes your doctrine into major error

Genesis 4:20

"Adam named his wife Eve because she would become the mother of all the living"

It is impossible to say that Eve would become the mother of ALL the living if there was a separate "race" (as you call it) also living but not descended from Adam and Eve, having been "created" rather than "formed". How can she be the mother of your "created" race? The clear and orthodox interpretation is that ALL humanity descend from Adam and Eve, there is NO separate bloodline and NO "eighth day Adam".

If you follow your interpretation to its conclusion you will also distort the doctrines of human sin and salvation through Christ, if you haven't already done so. And open up the way for teh development of all types of racist perverted doctrines, even if you don't follow these yourself.

I ask you again: Who else do you know in Christendom who teaches this perspective ?

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Posted: 20 Feb 2004 10:44 Post subject: quote

There is no racism whatsoever in this teaching.

No....This same exact teaching is not taught by Masons,kkk and all that jazz.....They are not smart enough to figure all this out.....Do they really go into the Hebrew language to get what they believe?.....No they do not.....Their belief does come straight out of hate and racism.....This teaching is not the same though.....Not at all.

Before you start accusing me of racist teaching as the Masons and kkk....Why don't you do some research on the Masons and kkk to find out exactly what they believe.....I guarantee you it is not the same.....They are hatebreeding mongers.

This teaching that I speak of comes straight out of the Hebrew manuscripts.

PLEASE people.....Before you start accusing me.....Please do your research!!

Boom-I do recieve that post in love.....I understand that this may SEEM racist.....But it is not!.....We have to shuck all of the racist blinders off of our eyes in order to understand this.

Some may say that I am racist for teaching this.....Just as easy I can say that one is racist for not believeing it.....I will not say that though because I understand that this is new to some.

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Talking Dog-When the Bible says that Eve was the mother of all living....It does not mean that all humans came from her womb.....No.....Not at all.

Who are the living?.....Those that are in Christ.....That is who!!

Eve's womb was simply the womb that Christ would come through...And if you are in Christ then you are indeed living.

You do understand that God is the God of the LIVING right??

It does not mean that every single human being on the face of this planet came through Eve.....Not at all!.....It simply means that Messiah would come through her womb!

And no sir this teaching does not allow for racism or distortion of how sin came into being.

How can you say all that?.....Do you even know this whole thing that I am talking about?.....If not.....If this is the first time you have heard it then how can you say all of that?.....I have not even explained everything yet.....You are just jumping to conclusions!.....By admission of your own mouth!!.....How do you know what the conclusion is?

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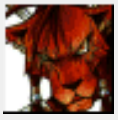

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Posted: 20 Feb 2004 10:58 Post subject: quote

There are alot of people on here that are not interested in learning anything about God's word.

Instead of checking things out and doing their own research....They want to come on here and fight with me and call names.

They don't want to check things out or do research.....Because if they did they may find what I have been saying is the truth.....Then they could not come on here and argue and fight with me anymore.

Real sad!!

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crossfiyah... just a quick side-note.
I don't want to go deep into this in
a public forum...but, you might be
surprised by how 'smart' certain
groups are; how ancient the teaching
is and the root thereof; and where
the seeds of hatred come from that
are past on and held by illuminist,
bloodline families.

Baruch ha ba B'shem Adonai, <><

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Feb 2004 11:30 Post subject: quote

The Bible says that Seth had sons and daughters.....Not Eth-Ha-Adam and Eve.....Again.....Look at the punctuation.....The dots ":".....And Genesis 5:7.

Cain found his wife out of the sixth day creation.....And he was afraid that the other sixth day creations would kill him.

If one still wants to argue the fact that Eth-Ha-Adam and Eve's daughter was Cain's wife.

I would like to ask this:
Do you think Cain took a baby as his wife?...Because according to your theory Eth-Ha-Adam and Eve had daughters AFTER Seth was born.....Cain would have had to come back to where Eth-Ha-Adam and Eve was in order to get his wife.....This absolutely can not be because God drove him OUT!.....And while he was OUT he found a wife.

To think that Cain was welcome back into Eth-Ha-Adam's and Eve's presence after God drove him OUT is wrong!

Do you think Cain was scared of babies killing him?.....Do you think Cain was worried about Seth killing him?.....No.....Seth was just a baby.

The sixth day creation was where Cain found his wife.....And the sixth day creation was who Cain was afraid of.

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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 20 Feb 2004 13:33 Post subject: quote Where exactly does it say how long the time period was between getting the boot from the Garden until Cain killed Abel? It doesn't. These people lived to be hundereds of years old. The ones born outside of the line of Christ are not mentioned. There is no record of how many generations that were born between the fall and Cain murdering his brother. There is plenty of time and understanding that we don't have to make him marry some one that was not created...
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Author	Message
Talking Dog Forum Veteran Joined: 29 May 2002 Posts: 289 Location: Shrewsbury, UK	Posted: 20 Feb 2004 13:54 Post subject: quote WACK WACK WACK CF your doctrine is WACK!!!! and so is your exegesis. As usual there is no point even thinking it is possible to talk on any normal rational basis with you. You and Brian make a good pair _____ Check out tracks by Talking Dog at http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG
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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 419 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 20 Feb 2004 17:51 Post subject: quote CF, Anyone who believes that there is more than one race **IS** racist. I did not call you a racist in a way that was meant to be offensive. But, you once told me in a post "who the cap fit!!!" Don't you even care that the view of races that you hold is simular to the theory that Darwin held. Hey, I don't know about you but I don't agree with ANYTHING Darwin ever wrote or said. Yes, you know GOD created us and Darwin didn't. But you are being contrary to scripture. And so was Darwin.

You say that we are lazy and blah , blah , blah ------

I haven't seen you bring up any scientific proof. I did and you still say for me to do research.

Talking Dog,

You took the words right off my keyboard!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 00:48 Post subject: quote

You people reject the very text that your Holy Bible comes from....The Hebrew text!

This is NOT my doctrine!....I did NOT make it up!...So leave me OUT OF IT!!

It comes straight from the Hebrew manuscripts...Where you get your Bible!!

So can we stop all of the stupid name calling?....And can we leave me out of it?

Why do you guys insist on calling me names?....Why do you guys insist on trying to bring me into it and make it personal?

Are you guys out for blood?

This is not some whack doctrine!....It comes from the very text that you get your Bible from!!

AND YOU SOTTISH PEOPLE REJECT IT!!

How smart is that?....NOT VERY!!

You guys are WHACK....WHACK....WHACK!!!

You reject the very text that your Bible comes from.

And instead of doing your own research on it.....You guys want to cut my throat for even mentioning it.

YOU GUYS NEED SERIOUS HELP!!

BLAH...BLAH....BLAH....BOOM....BOOM....BOOM!!!

You guys make a big fuss saying that I am racist and that crap.....Well.....It's not me you guys are calling racist.....You guys are calling the Hebrew manuscripts racist!!

Do you guys believe the Bible?....."That's a stupid question...Of course we do!"

Then why the crap won't you go to the Hebrew text (Where Genesis comes from) to see if I am right or wrong??

I guarantee you...You will find exactly what I have been talking about.

Genesis 5 starts out by saying that God called male and female Adam.....Why?.....Because Adam(Without the article and particle) means mankind.

Then it goes on to speak of Eth-Ha-Adam(With the article and particle).....One man's lifespan.....Not a group of peoples life span.....Not mankind's lifespan....But only one man!

So in Genesis 5 you can absolutely see the difference in Adam(Mankind).....And Eth-Ha-Adam(The man Adam)

No I am NOT crazy!!....This is not something I made up.....It comes straight from the ROOTS of your Bible.....The Hebrew text!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 01:01 Post subject: | quote

Ray you just said they need to stop the name calling and then you responded with the very same thing that they said to you. Be consistent.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 01:07 Post subject: quote

The names they called me...Came back on them....That's all!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 04:48 Post subject: quote

Ray that is called hypocrisy

...Hypocrisy

n 1: an expression of agreement that is not supported by real conviction [syn: lip service] 2: insincerity by virtue of pretending to have qualities or beliefs that you do not really have

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Boomshakalacka

Joined: 23 Dec 2003
Posts: 81
Location: in the cleft of the Rock

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 09:38 Post subject: quote

crossfiyah quote:

"BLAH...BLAH....BLAH....BOOM....BOOM....BOOM!!!"

I'm thinkin' this is for my benefit and
I've entered the crossfiyah zone!

Not once did I state you are racist.
I am only questioning the teaching.

A few times now I have shared something
of a sensitive nature only to have felt
derision on this board.
How lame is that?

The verbal attacks and hostility are so
sad...and I find the use of the word cr*p
to be somewhat offensive (k...call me a prude)

It's really wonderful to have a place for
edification and fellowship...but the vehemence
that keeps popping up is really unfortunate.

and the Word says:

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
meekness, temperance: against such there
is no law.
And they that are Christ's have crucified the
flesh with the affections and lusts.
If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the
Spirit.
Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking
one another, envying one another.
(Galatians 5:22-26)

King of Israel in the midst of us, <><

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 10:03 Post subject: quote

CF: the text is the text, there is not argument with that. Your *interpretation* of it is *your* interpretation by means of misreading the text through poor exegesis. And it is fundamentally, seriously, outrageously

WACK

Name the christian teachers who teach this doctrine, what are you hiding?

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Author	Message
Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 21 Feb 2004 10:19 Post subject: quote George Orwell. "All animals are created equally, but some are more equal then others". We are all created out of one blood, people, it's that simple and needs no debate. It's spelled in the bible and it's denied with so much words by the man who names himself like a burning cross or at least after an act of violence. **cross fiyah wrote:** (..)we are not all one blood(..) TD, that whole "doctrine" is one of the babylonian christianities that many seem to fail to recognize. I't's founded on the idea that adam was the white man and the black people the "beasts from the field". Some also think that the nephilim (giant offspring mentioned in gen6) are black people. It's one of those things the enslavers use to keep black people down. In Norway, they have a saying. "Don't Feed The Trolls". I guess some should consider to practice this saying in their internet activities. If it's not observed you'll get these crazy threads and when you feed the trolls, you'll only reward their trollness... They feed on provocations, their fruit is anger and confusion. They're not interested in a hot debate only in stirring up things that should be left alone. Such as the fact that we are created out of one blood. _____

One Love,

Messian Dread.

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 12:30 Post subject: quote

Oh, I recognise the roots and evil fruit which will result from this heresy alright, no worry about that. It must be exposed for what it is.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 21 Feb 2004 21:54 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> Then why the crap won't you go to the Hebrew text (Where Genesis comes from) to see if I am right or wrong??
>
> I guarantee you...You will find exactly what I have been talking about.

fiyah, i have gone around and around on this subject with you previoulsy and from having looked at the hebrew text i can see how you could come up with your idea here, but i have read and studied the hebrew and disagree with the way you use it to interpret the scriptures. i dont know for sure if the poeple reasoning here with you have studied the hebrew but even if they havent i have and i agree with them. i've said it before and i'll say it again; this is your interpretation not the absolute message of the bible.

and second you need to put some water on that fiyah and cool down. even if someone is to call you a name be the bigger man and dont repond the same way.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Feb 2004 23:19 Post subject: quote

Look here guy....You may have studied the Hebrew.....But I can tell not enough!

You know that the Massarhetic text leaves absolutely no room at all for interpritation don't you?

So then how can you say what you just said?.....And how can you believe anything contrary to what is there in the text?

The whole purpose of that text.....Is to take what was in the writers mind at the time.....And put it into our minds.

To transfer from one person's mind to another person's mind without changing one iota of the text.

So NO SIR!!.....It is not my interpritation!!.....It is what is there!!

Also....How do you explain the article and the particle??

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Feb 2004 23:39 Post subject: quote

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 24 Feb 2004 08:35 Post subject: quote

well after reading those articles i realize there is someone who has the same interpretation of the text, though i still dont agree with either of you. anyone can write something on the internet, that doesnt mean nothing

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 24 Feb 2004 10:41 Post subject: quote

Why is it I am not surprised that you link to those pages? I have read them before and they are the wack foundation for your wack posting on this subject.

You demonstrate that, in fact, you are following or aligning with a particular **interpretation**. Perhaps you have even drawn your interpretation from this website, because I note the extreme similarity with what you have posted here.

It is **sheer foolishness** to say that ANY text "leaves absolutely no room at all for interpritation". This just demonstrates that you do not yet have a grasp on the basics of a correct approach to scriptural exegesis or understand the issues involved. We have seen many times that you appear to think that your interpretation of any text is the only one possible. Educate yourself man!

I do not expect you to be able to grasp the concept that you are applying an INTEPRETATION which is not the only (and certainly not the most accurate) interpretation possible. In fact it is an esoteric and extreme minority interpretation.

It is *completely* reasonable to read Gen 1 and 2 as two accounts of one process. The first deals with Man as a generic race, the second deals with Adam as the individual first member of that race. The difference between 'created' and 'formed' is insignificant. The Gen 2 account gives detail of the process of creation - by 'forming'. Not so hard to grasp, surely? Unless your mind is already trying to twist the interpretation.

Since you are citing others as validation for this interpretation, perhaps you should do some further research about those who have also argued for a 'pre-Adamic race' and see the grotesque conclusions these heretics and racists have come to.

If you still insist on arguing for this riduculous exegesis, and you say you hold to the integrity of the scriptures, consider this:

Acts 17: 24-26:

God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

Act 17:25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

Act 17:26 **And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth**, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

Seen?

Now tell us that there is more than one bloodline from the foundation.

And if you do, you are either a stubborn fool or a very misguided and deceived man.

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Boomshakalacka

Joined: 23 Dec 2003
Posts: 81
Location: in the cleft of the Rock

Posted: 24 Feb 2004 12:10 Post subject: quote

Dear Brother Talking Dog...

thank you sooo much for posting this~~~~~~>"Acts17:26...And hath made of ONE BLOOD all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;"

Now placing this with the Genesis account...there is no budging.

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You know when the Holy Spirit bears witness to something and you are completely convicted of the truth and then the Word confirms that conviction? Well that just happened...and the Truth stands unshakeable!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Prepare ye the way of the Lord, <><

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Talking Dog Forum Veteran Joined: 29 May 2002 Posts: 289 Location: Shrewsbury, UK	Posted: 24 Feb 2004 12:51 Post subject: quote The Spirit and the Word are in agreement! Blessings to you Boomshakalacka. Blessings to you to CF, but you need to wise up! _____ Check out tracks by Talking Dog at http://www.versionist.com/artist.php?artist=TALKING+DOG
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 25 Feb 2004 05:39 Post subject: quote You wise up man....Don't you know anything about the Massarhetic text?....Obviously not.....Do a little study man.....Everything is explained so that nothing is left wanting.....That leaves no room for interrpertation because there are no questions asked! How do you explain the article and the particle??.....Hmmmmmm? You'd be a fool to ignore it! I am not calling names....But that is the truth!...*****see my post directly below** Dude it seems you need to learn a little bit about blood as well.....We do NOT all have the same blood!.....I mean really!.....That is just

absolutely ridiculous to think that is literal!

Each and evry person has different DNA....You know that don't you??

I'll tell you something about me.....I have had a blood transfusion in the past.....(Sorry!Not going to discuss whether you agree or disagree with this).....And thank GOD none of you guys who think we all have the same blood was the doctor!!.....I needed a certain type of blood.....Other bloodlines would NOT do!!

The one blood thing is SPIRITUAL not literal!!....For it is the blood of Christ that connects us!.....It is literal in that case ONLY!

THAT IS TRUTH!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 25 Feb 2004 05:54 Post subject: quote

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 25 Feb 2004 08:00 Post subject: quote

Last post from me Cross Fiyah .

You are **way** out of line in your whole principles of exegesis and your interpretation on this subject. And on others.

After all our dealings with you here I do not expect you to be able to accept, or apparetly even understand, clear refutation of your (or someone's) theory as you appear to be unteachable and you always resist the truth.

The only reason I have posted on this is in case anyone should be

taken in by this garbage.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 00:51 Post subject: | quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> The reason why Jesus is painted as a white man with long hair and a beard is not because of promoting a "white" Jesus...The artists that painted these famous paintings of Jesus were using the shroud of Turin as a model...

Actually, the Shroud of Turin Jesus looks a whole lot *less white* than most depictions of Jesus I've seen in European & North American art.

And, of course, no skin color is discernable from the Shroud image, which is monochromatic.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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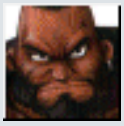
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 01:00 Post subject: | quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> You also act like race and color are of no importance...God created the races!...Don't you think they are important to him?

Actually, humans created the concept of race, as I said before, for the purpose of perpetuating various injustices. Biologically, there is no such thing. God never created any such thing: there is only one human race.

As an evil human creation, "race" is all too real, though. It is still used to downpress people around the world.

Quote:

> Yes I believe Jesus was white

You're living in a dreamworld, man. Jesus is a Jew from the first century mid-East, or western Asia if you prefer. He certainly doesn't look European.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 01:11 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> Are you saying that whites and blacks are not two different races?

Yeah. Biologically, there's no such thing as "race." A white Irish man can have more genes in common with a black Cameroonian man than he with a white Danish man. That's just the way people are.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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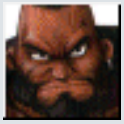

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 01:19 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> There is even science that shows the difference in the races.....And it proves that one race could not turn into another race.....The races are different and unique...

Not any credible modern science, there isn't. Race is not a biological reality.

Quote:

> Again.....I will bring up the questions:Where did Cain get his wife?

I think it very safe to answer the question thus: Genesis does not answer this question.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 20 Jul 2004 01:27 Post subject: quote **cross fiyah wrote:** Look here guy....You may have studied the Hebrew.....But I can tell not enough! You know that the Massarhetic text leaves absolutely no room at all for interpritation don't you? I've studied it enough to know how to spell Masoretic, myself. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 20 Jul 2004 06:57 Post subject: quote Nitpicker! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 06:58 Post subject: quote

What's your point?

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 07:43 Post subject: quote

I spelled cartiladge wrong the other day....Does that mean I don't know what it is?

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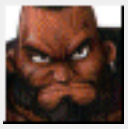
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 20 Jul 2004 16:50 Post subject: quote

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
> What's your point?

My point is that you're not adding to your credibility, when you attack someone else for not thoroughly studying the Masoretic text while not even knowing how to spell it yourself. Maybe you're not the expert you seemed to be asserting you were.

In fact, I think you're not, since Genesis clearly *do not answer* the question where Cain's wife come from, and furthermore the very idea of different "races" was *invented by human beings* to perpetuate injustice, having *no real biological basis*.

You know that there's more genetic variation within penguin species than within homo sapiens? Did you know that the mitochondrial DNA of a white Ukrainian could be a 100% match with a black west African and not for a white Norwegian? There's no such thing as "race," except as a false ideology.

I strongly suggest again that everyone here check out the California Newsreel documentary series "Race: the Power of an

Illusion" (2003) in the near future: http://www.newsreel.org/nav/title.asp?tc=CN0149. You won't be sorry.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Jul 2004 02:35 Post subject: quote

I suppose you think Humans and Chimps are very closely related because their DNA is almost 99% the same!

You are BOGUS man!!

Who told you there is no such thing as race??

As far as Cain's wife goes.....All you gotta do is use a little common sense along with the Hebrew language and you will know.

Some say that Cain went back to Adam and Eve to get his wife.....Or that his wife was one of Adam and Eve's daughters.....THAT IS NONSENSE!!

God drove Cain OUT!!.....Do you know what it means when God drives someone OUT & AWAY!!.....It means Cain was NEVER allowed to come back PERIOD!!.....So that little theory about Cain's wife being a daughter of Adam and Eve falls apart!!

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
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Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 21 Jul 2004 02:38 Post subject: quote

If Cain's wife was a daughter of Adam and Eve.....Then that means Cain was accepted back into the family.

Like I said.....That is NONSENSE.....Why??.....Because God drove him OUT!!

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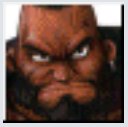
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Jul 2004 19:54 Post subject: quote

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
> Who told you there is no such thing as race??

There isn't. No such thing. It's a false ideology invented by humans to perpetuate injustices. Look into it yourself. "[God] hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." There's only one human race --a single species with less genetic diversity, in fact, than many other species, like fruit flies and penguins.

As for the origin of Cain's wife, Genesis does not answer that question explicitly. But you cannot appeal to false race ideologies (which are, *at best*, non-biblical) to fill in the gaps in your information. Race ideology isn't "common sense," it's nonsense.

Cross Fiyah, I have to warn you, brother, that your polygenist theology is too close to racist groups like "Christian Identity," many in the KKK, certain Neo-Nazis, etc., for comfort. I am *not* saying that you actually belong to any of those groups, *nor* that you want to, *nor* that you yourself are definitely a racist. (Only you could answer those questions, and I'm not asking you to.) What I am saying is that you are *dangerously* close to them, and you really need to *reconsider* your theological sources and perhaps the company you keep. Please be very careful, both for your sake and the sake of others. Please investigate this carefully.

To everyone I recommend a few resources.

The Southern Poverty Law Center keeps track of hate group activity (especially racist groups) throughout the United States. Check out the map at http://www.splcenter.org/intel/map/hate.jsp.

Read Jerome Walters' book *One Aryan Nation Under God*. Walters is a Lutheran pastor in Montana who exposes the false race theology of Identity and other like-mided groups. Here's the book's listing at Amazon.com: http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/0829813632.

Check out the 2003 3-part documentary series "Race: the Power of an Illusion" from California Newsreel: http://www.newsreel.org/nav/title.asp?tc=CN0149. You will definitely not regret it.

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cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 22 Jul 2004 06:45 Post subject: quote If you think I have anything in common with these groups or books you mentioned....You are sadly mistaken! I can't believe you talk to me like this without even knowing me....Then you call me brother! Dude..You are bogus!!....You are a fake and a fluke!! You have stated your opinion about me.....Now let me state my opinion about you! You are a self righteous hypocrite!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 22 Jul 2004 06:58 Post subject: quote

Jonagus

You know what my challenge is....I wanna see the proof buddy!

I am just a slight bit ticked off right now....Because I just went to one of those sights and there is NOTHING there that even remotely resembles my belief!!!

Dude...You got a challenge on your hands now!...And I'll be getting back with you because I am curious to see what you have come up with!!

Don't let your alligator mouth override your hummingbird guts!!

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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 22 Jul 2004 17:43 Post subject: quote

YEah men lol.Cool it,for real think of it all human come from noah`s seed.And yes people have missed used scripture to say that god cursed ham and that blacks are cursed by god.When in fact god cursed one of ham`s sons canaan.Which means that we are not cursed as some say.I mean some people claiming to be christians are misleading others.Like i am not one to get into what jesus looked like,but i know he ent had blonde hair and blue eyes.I wont even bother to go there.Seeking out things for ourselves is much better than taking others words sometimes.

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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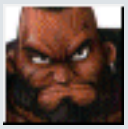
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 22 Jul 2004 23:34 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> If you think I have anything in common with these groups or books you mentioned....You are sadly mistaken! I can't believe you talk to me like this without even knowing me....Then you call me brother!

What I actually said was:

Quote:

> I am *not* saying that you actually belong to any of those groups, *nor* that you want to, *nor* that you yourself are definitely a racist. (Only you could answer those questions, and I'm not asking you to.)

But you do have something very big in common with those groups: a *polygenist interpretation of Genesis*. Identity adherants claim, for example, that only "whites" are descended from Adam while other "races" are descended from pre-Adamic people. This is the *foundation* for their false white supremacist ideology.

Again, I am **not** saying that you belong to the Identity movement **nor** that you want to. I am saying that if you want to avoid becoming a racist and/or being associated with racist hate groups (as you say), you should probably reconsider your interpretation, critique its sources, and be cautious about the company you keep. Someone may be trying to deceive you and/or lead you into one of those groups. I don't want that to happen, and it sounds like you don't either. Resist them, brother!

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Posted: 23 Jul 2004 00:46 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> I just went to one of those sights and there is NOTHING there that even remotely resembles my belief!!!

Excerpts from *One Aryan Nation Under God,* a Lutheran Pastor's exposure of the Identity movement:

Quote:

> Identity racism is shaped by a particular reading of the creation accounts in the first chapters of the first book of the Bible, Genesis. Put together, these beliefs form a clear theology that is contrary to Judaism and Christianity. Here are some of Identity's core committments: The different races have their origins in separate creations by God (polygenesis). People of color (nonwhites) were created before Adam and Eve....
>
> Taking the narrative from Genesis in order, Identity extremism alleges that the first creation narrative (Gen. 1-2:4) is an account of God's creating... pre-Adamic (that is, born before Adam) people of color.... To lend a scientific aura to the biblical claims, racial extremists often cite evidence they claim is irrefutable....
>
> Turning to Genesis 2, Identity adherents assert that the Adamic white race was specially created... This creation account (Gen. 2:4-25), which follows the well-known seven-day creation story, is read as a fluid continuation of those seven days. It follows then that since 'on the seventh day God finished the work that God had done, and God rested' (Gen. 2:2), Adam, the first white man, was 'formed from the ground on the eighth day' of creation.... In this second creation account (Gen. 2:4-25), the personal nouns Adam and Eve are used for the first time. The meaning of the Hebrew word for Adam is thought to support the divine elevation of the white race because, Identity adherants argue, 'Adam... means: ruddy, to show blood in the face, flush or turn rosy, to be able to blush, to be fair.'
>
> ...according to Identity doctrine, a satanic sexual seducer lurked in Eden (Gen. 3:1-7).... Identity asserts that there are two lines of descendents originating from Eve.... They say Eve also had sexual relations with the serpent or a humanoid satanic being. The offpsring of Eve and Satan was Cain, the first Jew, a literal child of Satan on earth....
>
> Through Identity's interpretation of Genesis 4 and the role of Cain, certain questions are brought to the text and answered. One such question is where Cain might have obtained a wife if Adam and Eve were the first human beings created by God. 'If there were no other peoples on the earth who was Cain afraid of? ...Cain was cast out, who did he marry if there were no

> other people?' The Identity answer is that Adam and Eve were not the first people created; there were pre-Adamic people of color whose existence outside the Aryan cradle answers the questions regarding Cain's wife and associations. Cain 'went away from the presence of God, and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden' (Gen. 4:16), and in Nod, Identity adherents claim, he intermarried with the pre-Adamic people of color....
>
> This racial interpretation of Genesis is the lens through which Identity reads the Bible and sees all of faith and life....

Nothing in common, huh? OK, I think it's safe to say that, although there may be some differences, the Identity interpretation of Genesis actually resembles your own quite a bit. You may claim you not draw the extreme racist conclusions, but the polygenist starting place is the same.

For example, you started the "Cain" thread by asking:

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
>
> Where did Cain find his wife if Adam and Eve were the only human beings on Earth at the time? Why isn't Cain in Adam's geneology?

Like you, Identity adherents are fond of these questions, because they believe Cain married someone from "pre-Adamic races." They also deny that Cain was Adam's son.

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
>
> There was a 6th day man...Adam...Male and female were created then...This is when God created the races and he said it was very good. There was also an 8th day man God formed from the dust of the Earth...Ha-A-Dam..Or "The" Adam...Who was ruddy complected. Cain did not have a sister to take for a wife...He went to the land of Nod where there were some of God's 6th day creation

Also:

> **Quote:**
>
> Cain was driven away...So then where did he find his wife?...Like I said...There was a 6th day man that God CREATED

All of these claims are exactly the same as Identity claims: that God created other races before Adam, that "ruddy" Adam was

created on the 8th day, and that Cain married someone pre-Adamic.

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
>
> The good seed was sown by Christ...The bad seed was sown by satan...How and when?

Many Identity adherents love to ask this question too. They try to use this parable to bolster their claim that Eve was sexually seduced by Satan, a satanic angel, or a satanically-possessed pre-Adamite, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain. Identity adherents claim that Cain, "Satan's kid," was "the first Jew."

You argued the same as the Identity groups...

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
>
> I would also like to bring up the subject of the Kenites(sons of Cain).....
> The ones who claim to be jews and are not but are of the synagouge of satan.

> **cross fiyah wrote:**
>
> Some think Eve ate an apple..Not so... Read on..In verse three...What is this word "touch"? .....To lie with a woman. Is this starting to make a little sense about the bad seed?.... satan does have seed.... Read on and God tells Eve that He multiply her sorrow and her CONCEPTION...What causes conception?..Not eating apples! ...Christ said that the enemy sowed the bad seed!! Kenites(sons of Cain)....Those that claim to be Jews..Of the tribe of Judah..And do lie and are of the synagogue of satan

It was especially telling that you are familiar with Arnold Murray and that you believe he is a Christian. Arnold Murray is frequently associated with Identity (c.f. http://www.nizkor.org/hweb/orgs/american/christian-identity/religion-white-racists.html, http://www.carm.org/chapel/arnold_murray.htm, http://www.letusreason.org/Poptea4.htm, etc.). So you're familiar with Murray, and you preach the same doctrines, but you're also claiming that Identity doesn't use the Bible to make the same claims you make? Be consistent.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 04:18 Post subject: quote

Still.....No proof!!

You told me to be consistent.....Well I am telling you to quit running your mouth!!.....Nobody wants to hear what you think.....You have not provided any facts.....You are only stating what you think!!...Opinion!!

Opinions are like backsides....Everyones got one!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 04:26 Post subject: quote

Did you check the links Ray? One has Arnold Murray's Racist comments quoted from his book. I told you his Kenite garbage was racist months ago.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 05:11 Post subject: quote

BLAMINACK

I did check those links....And like I said nothing there is hardly factual....Only statements and things taken out of their context.

What is racist about the Kenite teaching?.....You told me months ago that Murray teaches that black people are the Kenites.....YOU LIED!!.....Murray has NEVER taught that!!

What are you specificly talking about?....We will deal with it!

I will be doing another teaching about the Kenites REAL

	soon.....Are you gonna biasly tag me as a racist teacher? _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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Author	Message
cross fiyah Forum Veteran Joined: 28 Dec 2002 Posts: 1882 Location: east coast N.C.	Posted: 23 Jul 2004 05:19 Post subject: quote By the way Arnold Murray does not have a book!! See the kind of bias venom these people spew!!...It's ridiculous!! _____ http://khyron_4.tripod.com/PMurray/PMurray.html
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blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 23 Jul 2004 12:25 Post subject: quote Cross Fiyah Wrote: I will be doing another teaching about the Kenites REAL soon.....Are you gonna biasly tag me as a racist teacher? No, if you teach the false doctrine of Kenites as being a wicked race I will Biblically say you are a Racist teacher.
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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 17:41 Post subject: quote

cross fiyah wrote:

> You have not provided any facts.....You are only stating what you think!!...Opinion!!

Actually, I showed that your polygenist reading of Genesis *is* almost exactly like the one espoused by racist Identity cult members --something you falsely denied-- and I used direct quotes from you to show it.

Both you and Identity adherents believe that pre-Adamite "races" were created on the sixth day and a "ruddy" (i.e. white) Adam on the eighth.

Both you and Identity adherents believe that Satan sexually seduced Eve, fathering Cain.

Both you and Identity adherents believe that when Cain was "driven out" he intermarried with pre-Adamites.

Both you and Identity adherents believe that Cain is the father of the people who call themselves Jews, but whom you call Kenites.

Both you and Identity adherents believe that Jesus is descended from the "ruddy" (i.e. white) Adam and is himself white.

Have I missed anything?

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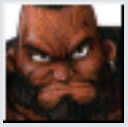
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 17:44 Post subject: quote

> **blaminack wrote:**
>
> if you teach the false doctrine of Kenites as being a wicked race I will Biblically say you are a Racist teacher.

Any doctrine that claims some human beings (but not all) are literal descendants of Satan is racist.

Cross Fiyah, I implore you to abandon this false doctrine. It's not too late.

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cross fiyah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 28 Dec 2002
Posts: 1882
Location: east coast N.C.

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 22:43 Post subject: quote

JonaGus-I implore you to get off my back about it!

You guys are so ignorant of what the scripture actually says....By the way Blaminack!....The teaching of the Kenites IS Biblical and it ABSOLUTLY CAN be taught from the Bible!!

The very word itself "Kenite" means "Sons of Cain"

I mean look at you Blaminack....You have already been caught in your LIES twice!!....You said AM has a book....No he does not!!....LIE NUMBER 1.....Second....You told me months ago that AM teaches that the Kenites are black people....LIE NUMBER2!!.....Got any more lies you wanna try and spread?.....It looks like you need to check things out before you go running your mouth about people.....You tell me not to believe everything I hear....I say the same to you.....QUIT listening to websites that LIE!....Instead of actually checking things out...You listen to these websites and start making false accusations.....And you try to position yourself as if you know all about it....."Oh yes...AM has a book...AM teaches that blacks are Kenites.....Oh yes...I just know it all"....You don't know JACK jack!!

Also.....JonaGus keeps changing his story.....He keeps changing the beliefs of these hate groups to adapt to what I believe.....He has changed his story about three times so far!!

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 23 Jul 2004 23:46 Post subject: quote

I was watching the guys TV program years ago and heard it from his mouth so accuse me of lying as you wish, but this thread is done.

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 28 Jan 2003 13:23 Post subject: Would Jesus Bomb Iraq? quote Ths question was posed by Messian Dread in another post but I feel it should be reasoned with some justice..... I think that the BIGGEST problem that many are seeing right now is that they are basing their opinions on the Liberal Media who is dead set against George Bush no matter what he does. There is such a spin in the reporting that nothing is said in corect context. There is NO real truth reported. They wanted so much for Al Gore to be elected that the Leftist Press is out to smear the One that they hate. I mean really I know that most here are not Replicans, but if you honestly evaluate the Press you should have no problem in agreeing that they take every chance to make GWB look like a bad man and an imbecile. If the camera was on any of us all day long they could find things equally as silly looking and if that was all that was shown your opinion polls would be bad..... Now let's start with a LEVEL playing field. Is there anything that has happened in History that God did not allow? Did not God allow Hitler to Murder 6 million Jews? Did He not allow the Roman Perscution? Why did He do this? I don't know but He is sovereign! He has every right to do so! So in other Words if the U.S. bombed Iraq then even if you didn't agree then you could rightly say that it was done according to God's will and

plan. Which part of human history was not according to God's permission? Does He not raise up Kings and put down whom He will put down? If He was to want Sadam Husein out of the picture He could use a young Women with a tent peg as in the Bible. Really so many get so worked up about THEIR OWN OPINIONS and have never asked God what He was doing. Do I like the idea of War? NO WAY!

I was in the first Desert Storm and I didn't see one thing that would make me like the idea of doing it again. Would I support GWB in this effort? As much as the Bible says to PRAY for your leaders. Notice too that it NEVER said it mattered wether you liked that Leader or not. Please use some balance in your reasonings. Consider that it may in fact be God's will.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 16:51 Post subject: He would NOT bomb Iraq

quote

"Would Jesus Bomb Iraq?" No.

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 21:44 Post subject:

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InI think Yeshua was a pacifist in every sense of the word...However, the world was also not the same at the time...Yeshua also did not run a country...InI am a pacifist...war apalls InI...but InI also do not run a country.

InI have yet to walk a mile in president bush's shoes, so judging his stance is not I place...but InI do know JahWord tells InI to honor him because he is a leader...

PeaceLoveInity

RasTalawa

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Natty 'twan
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Nov 2001
Posts: 173
Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 28 Jan 2003 21:46 Post subject: quote

i overstand your reasoning about Jah being soveriegn blaminack, but just because God allows it to happen doesn't means that it is a good thing Jah allowed satan to rebel too and that was the beginning of all evil. this is a hard subject because it comes down to the will of Jah and our finite minds cannot comprehend how Jah works in that area or for that matter most areas.

i do know that as a follower of Jah i dont think it is the right thing to do. although personally it is rare when i think the US government is doing the right thing. dont think i am only coming down on US i dont know if there is a gov. in the world today that i would agree with

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 29 Jan 2003 05:20 Post subject: quote

I sure expected to get flamed on that one!

Ok allow me to reinforce my point.....

Joh 2:15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

Jdg 14:19 And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

2Ch 21:16 Moreover the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines, and of the were near the Ethiopians:

Psa 18:34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

Psa 144:1 A Psalm of David. Blessed be the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

Ecc 3:8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Rev 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

Now these are just a few places that God either performed the war Himself or confrontation or made it happen. We can be sure that if in fact Christ is God then there is no doubt then that Christ was and is no pacifist. If He were then how could he be the Conquering Lion of Judah? No battle then what is menat by Conquering? Don't take this to say that Christ is behind a war in Iraq but we are talking about Would He bomb Iraq? Christ is just! He is yes full of mercy but He is also Judge Dread! And if Sadam Hussien isn't going to be faced with answering for killing his own

people with Nerve Gas then who is? Bombs are not above Christ! How did Haile Selaasie run the Facists out of Ethiopia? It wasn't by some silly pacifism. There is times that battles must be fought. Innocents die..... Good? NO WAY!! Rquired at times? Unfortunatly...

One thing that I would say in Bushes defense is this... The news media has no real Idea of what Intelligence reports are given to him. They are not in the place to see the fullness of the situation. So believe what they say if you want, but the wise person will see them for what they are! Wolves!

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Natty 'twan
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Posted: 29 Jan 2003 07:39 Post subject: quote

no way can the men of old the ones who waged the war of Jah be compared to Bush, even H.I.M. these are not good examples.

if Bush is justified in bombing Iraq then poeple responcible for 9-11 are justified in doing what they did

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Messian Dread
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Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Posted: 29 Jan 2003 12:28 Post subject: Re: Scripture Wars quote

It should be noted that the vast multitude of those fightings were not against fellow human beings but against unholy offspring of unholy mating between fallen angels and daughters of men. David killed many of these and so did the ones before him. They are the Refaim, the Nephilim, the Enakim.

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Posted: 29 Jan 2003 13:28 Post subject: quote

OK..... You two realize that you are losing this discussion by default? The aurguments are pretty weak so far, having no scriptural back up.

I don't use any of the statments made so far as comparisons to Bush but to say that Jesus does indeed go to War.

God often times reigned down slaughter on His enemies. Think of what He did to the Egyptians. The Canaanites. The Amorites. And the Babylonions. How did He do this? Most times through war but often through supernatural means. If Christ is God and I think that we all agree there, then yes Christ is not above making war to fulfill the ultimate plan. Are none of you looking forward to the day when Christ places His enemies under His feet in the Last Days? How will this be acomplished? By war.

Now let's focus on the whys of the original question.

Would Jesus Bomb Iraq? See, so many are clouding this with their personal opinions. May answer is not yes, but maybe if He wanted to, to fulfill the plan. He is the only one that knows the future. How do we know whether this will be the thing that sparks off the End? We don't. So, there for we have no idea if is acording to God's will of not.

All I am saying is that in times past Christ waged war. The Bible is clear that in Revealations He will do it again.

We must not limit God to our small opinions because He is not bound by humans little ideas.

Now for a little political side note.....

If you had a person in your back yard that wanted to burn your house down, would you allow him to stay or would you do all that you could to run him off? In this illustration Sadam Hussien is the one that sent the arsonists. Regardless of justifaction would you allow this person to burn it down even if he had a right to his anger? No I don't think that you would.

Justifaction has little really to do with it. It is a matter of best interests of his country that he is sworn to protect. Yes protect from Sadam. He is well known as a man that is murderous. He is hated even by his own people because of the atrocities that he has commited. Should no the World Community not be outraged that this man is not following the agreements that he made regardling Weapons? We all know that he doesn't mind using them, and looks forward to doing so. So take the high road if you want, but there is no justifaction for gathering Chemical or nuclear weapons. No the US has no business with them either, but the on the other hand the chances of us using them is SLIM!!! Why? Because our government is not a dictatorship. It is not in the hands of one insane mad man. Until you get behind Bush's desk and hear the reports that he hears you don't have the right to make this something that you bring God into unless He told you to.

NO I DON"T LIKE ANY OF THE IDEA OF A WAR WITH IRAQ. I would look for any other way that I could find. But what must be done? If he has the weapons he will use them against Israel. Or have them smuggled in to a Soccer Stadium in Europe to make point that he is insane.

Do WE DESERVE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING AS A NATION? Probably. God is not mocked. When we have nothing but violence continually. Homosexuality is nothing more than a fashionable thing to do. Wickedness abounds here. But does it not every where? Yes it does!

See another thing that none of you has brought up in the possibility that God may in fact use this little mad man to humble the U.S. That is in fact a scary possibility.

I say that you need to stop the loathing and start looking at our personnal relationships with GOd and make sure that you are ready for what ever happens.

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 29 Jan 2003 13:44 Post subject: quote Did Jesus not tell you to love your enemies? Did Paulus not tell us that our enemies are not of flesh and blood? Did the Divine Saviour not tell us that His Kingdom is NOT of this world? Here is your scripture. I have given scriptural reasons in my previous response. This whole "what would Jesus do" thing does not apply over everything. You see, we are not Jesus seen. What would Jesus do? He would save them. Can YOU save anyone? Can you sit yourself on the judgement seat as Jesus is entitled to? Surely you can not compare George Bush and his warmonging tribe of hypocrites who come in the name of the Saviour just like their foreparents came in the same name (SlaveShip Jesus) with the wars described in the Revelation. The man loves to kill, he has signed many death penalty forms while he was the boss of texa$. Please note as well, that he calls this all "crusade". So mind who you support. Did Jesus say it is okay to fight for money? Did Jesus say it is okay to put a man like sadam hoesein on the throne? Or Osama Bin Laden? No Jesus did not say a thing like that still these things are done by that same system. _____

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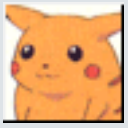

Joined: 31 Oct 2002
Posts: 220

Posted: 29 Jan 2003 14:57 Post subject: quote

We can't know what God has in mind, but to read what He has done in the past should show us His nature. God used Nebuchadnezzar to punish Israel and also to destroy the other nations. God used Cyrus to destroy Babylon. Was God behind 9/11? I believed He allowed that to happen to wake up the Christians and to show the world that He is in control. God's hand can be seen in the low count of passengers in the planes and the low count of death caused by the crashes. What's the wake-up call to the Christians, "...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14 We are considered a "Christian" nation, and so far God has blessed this nation. How long will that last?

Will Jesus bomb Iraq? Will He use another nation to cause punishment? I think so. Even if our reason is for material gain or other selfish reasons, God will still use the instrument for His purpose. Iraq is a Godless nation that has inflicted atrocities against his own people. This is also where the city of Babylon is located that Hussein has rebuilt and has compared himself greater than Nebuchadnezzar. Don't you think that God can hear the cries of the inflicted? What can we as Christians do to show the Iraqi people the love of God? If Hussein is allowed to control the Middle East, he will control the world because of the oil resources found there. In the middle of all this is the nation of Israel. Every Arab country's goal is to destroy Israel. God will not allow that to happen.

"I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse;" Genesis 12:3 America has been a friend to Israel and we

have been blessed by God, but times are changing.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils! For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Posted: 29 Jan 2003 16:36 Post subject: re: "Christian Nation"? quote

How can you apply things to Israel to the u$a? I mean, Jah spoke to Israel, because Israel is HIS NATION. You can not apply that scripture from chronicles to the u$a.

Yes, amerika is **considered** a "christian nation", but it is not a christian nation. Has "God" blessed that nation? I do not think so. It gained material wealth by using slaves and by stealing land from the indegious. I wouldn't call that blessin, i call that bless sin!

Iraq is most definitely not any more godless than the u$a.

And the people who are so willing to put a bomb on every square centimeter of Iraq should realize, that if saddam has the bombs, he will put them to Israel.

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WarriorYout

Joined: 01 Mar 2002
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Posted: 29 Jan 2003 16:38 Post subject: The Facts

I think there are many people out there that still don't have the facts... Does anyone want to lay out the main issus for and against war on Iraq?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 30 Jan 2003 00:53 Post subject:

Jetze,

Brother you know that I have nothing against you but all of this America bashing grows thin. I am sick of hearing how the USA is the root of all evils. The Netherlands are no more righteous. Or France, Luthinuania for that matter. ALL NATIONS HAVE WICKEDNESS IN THEIR HISTORY!!!! Satan is the enemy. Not one country or another. So are you trying to say that the Real Christians of the USA are bound to be burned by their living in so called Babylon?

Which nation has not committed the SAME EXACT SINS AS THE USA?

For example Eygpt... They held the Jews in Bondage for 400 years and now persecute Christians to the max.

Cambodia has killed MILLIONS under the Kmer Rouge.

Leftist Rebels kills thousands all of the of the time.

Islamic Militants take slaves of Christians in Sudan. Kill the Christian Leaders. Burn their homes and Churches all over the rest of the world where they may be found.

Rowanda..... Machetes

Ethoipia and Somolia gangsters starving the common people.

Castro holding his country in bondage.

Russia.... killed Millions in Communism.

Germany killed milliions under Hitler.

China in it's merciless persecutions.

Italy has had Mussilini.

Britan has gathered slaves and their whold countries left and right.

This list is ENDLESS but this is just from the top of my head.

All the while imigrants from all over the world are risking death to get to the USA. Is this because we are evil? NO, it is because where they are now is worse. So unless you have lived here for a while I think that the elitist opinions being spoken against your Christian Brothers is hurtful.

Why is it that protection is now considered war mongering?

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Jan 2003 01:39 Post subject: America's problem

quote

I was responding to some thing written don't you see that?

This is one of U$A's problem: she doesn't understand why "everyone" is against them. Isn't she "God's Own Country"? Isn't she "the land of the free"? That's why 9/11 came as a big surprise. The towers of Mammon were cut down in in a spiritual battle between allah and mammon. And I don't want to fight in a struggle between two evil spirits and George Bush can blasphemically paraphrase our Lord and Saviour when he says "either you're with us or you're with the terrorists" but I don't run that race.

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Jah Pickney
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Posted: 30 Jan 2003 04:58 Post subject: quote

I am feeling the attack on America here as well. I am from Canada but I too have had enough of the USA bashing. Just that fact that Messian Dread always writes is as U$A, and the tone used when speaking of George Bush. I personally respect George Bush. He is in a very tough situation right now and I don't envy him at all. He boldy believes in God and is not afraid to mention the name of God and that he beleives in a creator. Some would be afraid to say this (especially in a high possition) because it may offend others. He is a human being and he need our prayers. I don't know what he should do about Iraq (and I'm glad it's not up to me) but you have to understand that he can't just sit back and watch his people be killed and threatened. The reason the USA is so hated is because they stand for peace and Christianity, they protect other countries and want peace -- so come on and give them a break. We live in a sinful world and in the eyse of God none of us is worthy (without Christ). All fall short of the glory of God. To Him sin is sin, there are no degrees of what sins are worse than others. We are all like filthy rags compared to the righteousness of God.

Just to let all you Americans know that Canada loves you! Although we sometimes feel differently on some things we are you neighbours and your friends and I say God bless!!!

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Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 30 Jan 2003 14:55 Post subject: babylon quote

Brother Jah Pickney, the west, including Europe (where I live), is modern day babylon. Jah's description of babylon is quite different then your description of the usa. Read the Bible about it and know the times in which we live are the last times, things are rounding up the for eventual clash of evil forces described in the Apocalypse. If you feel "attacked" you should notice that I speak out against the system, the politics and thing, not personal people like you or blaminack. When I write u$a that means I identify their "god": mammon. And I found my point of view from reading the Bible.

Fact: all presidents from the usa in one way or another say that they are christian. They all go a church, they all say "god bless us" forth. Nothing new under the sun with mr Bush jr.. We (should) know that babylon likes to use the Name of the Divine Saviour for her political aims and to keep people in ignorance. We should know by reading history, and by reading the bible.

Question: Who trained Bin Ladin? Who put Saddam on the throne? Who provided them with weapons? Ever checked that out? So in the best situation, this whole new "war on terror" is like frankenstein trying to kill the monster he created himself. And I would say that that is a thing in which people who know themselves to be saved by the Blood of the Divine Saviour, Yesus Kristos, have no business with whatsoever. Let the dead bury the dead.

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RasTalawa Forum Veteran Joined: 22 Feb 2002 Posts: 112 Location: Babylon, Texas	Posted: 30 Jan 2003 15:11 Post subject: quote One Love Jetze...Ites Blaminack...good to see theI...JahPickney: Greetings, and Hello to all the others I have not mentiond The President of the US in which InI reside has justification to attack Iraq the same way Europe had Justification to attack HITLER!! Sadaam Huessein is a dictator with a long history of human rights violations and ethnic cleansing...he tests his biological and chemical weapons on his own people... the reasons for war on Iraq: ANTHRAX BOCHELISM CYNARIN MUSTARD GAS (also used by Hitler) Ux NERVE AGENT and approxamately 30000 munitions able to deliver these weapons... as well as 5 methods of enriching Uranium for nuclear weaponry... a recent purchase of a significant amount of Uranium from africa... "Since when have terrorists put the World on notice before

striking?"

Huessein has already demonstrated that mutual assured destruction is of no matter to him (Gulf Storm)...whether or not InI am pacifist...or Yeshua would kill the citizens of Iraq, InI believe that NATO (not just the USA) is justified in the desire to strike first...

Oil, I'm sure is also important...but the USA was not looking for the oil until Iraq started looking for the Uranium, no?

InI refuse to join the debate on american "manifest destiny" by killing and conquering many of the greatest cultures in history, the same as the Holy Roman Empire...but InI support Mdread totaly in most of his oppinions on AmeriKKKa as a nation...

<by the way, InI father was one of the UN inspectors in 1992 and 1993, therefore InI have verified what the President said in his adress two nights ago...>

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Posted: 30 Jan 2003 19:49 Post subject: quote

Talawa, i never seen "ameriKKKa before, when i saw it i chuckled a little but it really is not a laughing thing i know, because it is too true.

in responce to Jah Pickney about Bush and U.S. presidents. no disrespect intended here but you ought to know as good as anyone that someone mentioning god and a creator doesn't neccesarily mean anything. Satan belives that God is and that he created. you aslo have to know that in the hebrew Elohim which means God also can mean god as would be used in pagan worship speaking of a higher spiritual being that is viewed as god, but both translate to the same english word.

this nation has been supposedly been founded on christianity but this is not true the founders of the U.S. were religious but not Christian. a conservative christain institiution here in california recently had a confrence which included a seminar on just that subject. in that case you have serious bible scholars and theologians proving the point i am making that the founding fathers of this country were not christian contrary to popular belief. in fact all the presidents except the few that have been assinated have been member of the masonic cult in which a god is acknowledged but the true God is not served at the lower levels this cult seems much just like some orgnization, but if someone gets up to the 29 or 30 degree of masonry they become demon possesed and most who do get that far dont live very long because the demonic oppression drives them mad and the end up killing themselves. so really masonry is just shrouded satanism. my grandfather came here from india some years back and he is involved in the cult in mention.

and there is not america bashing going on here but if exposing the truth is bashing than it is done rightfully. the only reason that these things are being said about the country is because that is was this topic was about.
bablyon is more than just america but america is the topic being discussed here.

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Numor
Christafarian

Joined: 14 Nov 2001
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Posted: 30 Jan 2003 20:30 Post subject:

MD seems to forget:

- the real acual physical town of Babylon IS located in Iraq and SH has been rebuilding it for many years

- the USA doesn't even rank in the top of the world's wealthiest countries any longer, but that most of those positions are occupied by countries in the New Europe where he lives.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

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Location: Fryslân

Posted: 31 Jan 2003 02:47 Post subject: re: "Christian Nation"?

quote

To Numor:

I was expecting someone to come up with this argument about the location of babylon being in Iraq. I do not know if you believe that the Bible is the written Word of God, and in it's original language infallible, but there is a vision from Jah (God) to the prophet daniel in which it becomes clear, that the world-dominating systems throught-out history are all coming out of the head/brain called babylon. Babylon is a mystery (Revelations) which can only be identified when the proper knowledge (that is: scriptural knowledge) is utilizied.

In short, this is that knowldge: The system that dominates world politics, through-out history, was founded in bab-el by a hybrid demon/man called Nimrod who is later worshipped as Bachus (and many other names). We identify it as babylon. It is an evil system based upon another mystery: the "mystery of iniquity" as Paulus calles it in one of his letters to the Thessalonicenses. The "mystery of iniquity" is the plan to make satan sit on the throne of God, to crown satan king of kings on earth. This mystery works on every field: political, social, religious, you name it.

These remarks are a summary of rscriptural reasons as to why I speak about babylon. This is not, as some do, parroting Reggae Songs about "babylon". Those Reggae Songs about babylon are actually quite (scripturally) right in their observation and they might not come as a comfort for those who think that the western world (including the U$A who likes to call herself the leader of this "free world" we identify as babylon) are "christian", but it doesn't make it less right.

To Natty T:
Thank you for claryfying things in a way I may be unable to clarify. I agree with what you said and I am a bit surprised by some of the (very revealing) responses.

To Ras T:
It's not about these weapons. It's to clear the oil and to satisfy a spoiled child who didn't get what he wanted (osama on a stick).
For these two reasons the world is being drawn into a holocaust.
There's too much shifting going on. First it was that the UN-inspectors had to be accepted again, or else..... Then it was, that the UN-inspectors had to be given more room, or else..... And now it seems to be that Iraq has to proof it has no weapons, or else..... What's next?
And there is more. First it was, the United Nations in a unanymous security counsil decision. Now that it becomes clear that not all members are willing to "follow the leader", this is by-passed and it is said that even without UN mandate the U$A will attack anyway.
You propose the "Nato-option" but that is not an option since not all nato members are willing to participate. So that option will also be by-passed.
No, the USA wants to attack Iraq and doesn't want to listen to others. If the others don't do what they want, then they will do it without them. That is the situation.
If the USA is so seriously concerned about these weapons, they can be 100% certain that in the war that they want, these weapons will be used to attack Israel, the Holy Land. They could have even, in the previous gulf war, go to baghdad and create some "freedom" there, but they didn't. People in Iraq were ready to throw over Saddam and with a little help they could have, but the "good" usa didn't want to help and let the opponents of saddam rot away, just like they did with the young guy who entered the car of a un inspector last week while shouting "help me, help me". But there was no help for this young man, he was "handed over to iraqi authorities". So much for genuine concern.

No man, this is not a race for us to race in, this is not a battle for us to fight in.
But now, all of a sudden, when Osama seems to be "out-of-reach" there is a concern for the people

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Posted: 31 Jan 2003 05:04 Post subject: quote

Jetze,

I have a question. What makes the West ANY differant than the East? Is not the Eastern Countries of the World just as greedy and corrupt? What is in the West came from this East. Is this not true? Babylon is a result of the Human Sinnful condition that we are all under to some extent. It has nothing to do with boundries, but with wicked hearts.

Now as far as the US acting alone. This is the place where the terrorist have attacked and are still planning on attacking. Sadam is about destroying.... Period.

I agree that much of what is going on may be for the wrong reasons. But we ONLY KNOW WHAT WE TOLD BY THE HATE BUSH MEDIA. I am by no means looking for war. I hate the very idea. But I also hate the idea that a terrorist sent by Sadam is lurking around here right now waitng for the School Building to get full before he walks in and blows himself up.

So many hate America mainly out of envy. I see tons of Islamic people here that come here and start receiving the benefits of a free society and the militantcy stops. Why? Because they see for themselves that they have been lied to about the Great Satan.

Is prosperity in and of it's self the right basis for hatred? Christ did not by any means hate those who were rich but He told them how hard it will be for them to enter into Heaven. You have said your self that the Bible says to love your enemies and yet I see so much wrath directed to America and Bsuh. Keep some balance.

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Posted: 31 Jan 2003 06:38 Post subject: quote

blaminack, i cant fully speak for MD but i think he might agree with this

it is not just the west that have wickedness and is part of the babylon system, it is east as well. i am pretty sure there are no more truly Jah following politcal systems left in the world. i belive that H.I.M. was the last righteous ruler. every government in these times is part of the wicked system: eastern,western, northern and southern. **everyone and everything not following and in obedience to Jah is part of the babylon system**, there is no partiality towards or against any country. InI is trying to survive in a world that belong to the prince of the power of the air, originally named satan and he is the leader of this world system

and your right much wrath is being directed towards amerikkka and bush, and Jah wrath on them and the rest of the wicked system will be much worse

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Posted: 31 Jan 2003 13:43 Post subject: Babywrong quote

This is not about who is more sinfull than the other. This is about identifying babylon. And no, it is not so that the whole world is babylon. Or don't you know the prophesy from Daniel in which this becomes clear? That there are succeeding world empires and that these empires have nebukadnezar as head? So the Bible actually says that the west is modern day babylon. For more details see my previous post(s).

"Hate Bush Media"? Not quite. When I see what George "War" Bush says I get my opinnion quite easily thank you. When I see the rhetoric such as the man utters in his "state of union" I don't need any "anti bush propaganda". The man makes great propaganda against himself. The arrogance in his eyes and in his words, that makes me sick (to use your own words). And when I see christians who gladly support this man, because he manages

to lay down a "Christian Image", that makes me sad and angry. Because that is propaganda. These things are feeding soils for such believes as some people who start to believe Selassie to be God. I hope you can feel what I'm saying here.

People hating amerika cause of envy. Now that is a point which I most gladly adress, because it proves my point. Envy? You speak about wanting material gain. Spiritually, that is the power of mammon. It's the power of mammon against the power of allah. Babylon is all about serving mammon. More money, more money, more money. Yes, to quote Bob Marley: "A Hungry Mouth Is An Angry Mouth". The west consumes, with 15% of the world population, 85% of all the available food. You speak of balances. Well this is a balance which is unjust. It is not just how richess of the world is organized.

But this is not the only reason why "people hate amerika". For a servant of mammon, it is not really possible to see things outside of their own money perspective. For most babylonians it is unthinkable that someone can see that there is more in life then just making money. And please, do take into consideration that the majority of the 9/11 terrorists were actually people from rich families.

There was a thing months after 9/11 which illustrated this. A group of high ranking philosophers congregated. These philosophers were to find out the idealism of the west (Sorry for my bad language, it's kind of complicated and english is not my native tongue). But after 9/11 it became clear, even for the eyes of babylon, that it was not only money that made people "hate amerika". It became clear, that there are people who are willing to sacrifice their own live in the "war on america". It became clear, that an ideology, a religion, can be a very strong motivating power. It became clear, that in the west the majority of people do not have such a thing. they do not know where they live for, why they are what they are. They just born, work and die without any view. And this is not so with Moslems. They actually have a view, "a reason to live and a reason to die for". And this motivates

them.

Yes, the Good Lord said to love my enemies. So I would never go and bomb a building. Not for osama and not for george. That is my balance.

Yesus did not tell us to go and kill for babylon. He did not tell us to go and kill for allah. He told us to let the dead bury the dead. When you see the world events you see the fulfilment of His words: "How can beelzebub drive out beelzebub? A kingdom divided by itself (allah vs mammon) can not stand.

There is only one solution, and that is that YESUS KRISTOS, The KING of Kings, the LORD of Lords, the Conquering Lion of the tribe of Judah will come and reign. Only then will we see peace and justice.

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RasTalawa
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Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 31 Jan 2003 19:52 Post subject:

quote

Ites Bredren...

Jetze, would it not be possible to link the term Babylon with the entire world that is apart from Yeshua?? Babylon is spoken of as a "whore" a thing that sells itself for money, and could the entire world not fit the description...

I mentioned that the oil was a key part of the war, but the European countries to which Sadaam owes money to are not complaining...

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Author	Message
Natty 'twan Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Nov 2001 Posts: 173 Location: ventura Ca.	Posted: 31 Jan 2003 19:59 Post subject: quote "link the term Babylon with the entire world that is apart from Yeshua" RasT, this question you posed sums up the point i was trying to make as well. but remember that the whore of bablyon means alot more than selling itself for money. when israel left Jah and worshipped idols it was said they prostituted themselves, in a spiritual sense it represent the false worship out side that of the Almighty. and that also includes all nations not just the west.
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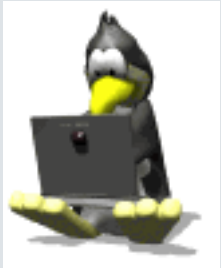
Messian Dread Forum Veteran  Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 31 Jan 2003 20:07 Post subject: quote What is your opinnion on daniel 2:31-3:47? http://bible.gospelcom.net/bible?passage=daniel+2%3A31-3%3A47&KJV_version=yes&language=english or listen: http://bible.gospelcom.net/bgaudio/english/kjv/hurl?passage=dan+2 _____ One Love, Messian Dread. Webmaster, http://www.dubroom.com/ Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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Natty 'twan
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Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 31 Jan 2003 23:13 Post subject: quote

my opinion on that is the same as the four beasts in that book; four earthly kingdoms and a final kingdom that is yet to take its full power over the world which the almighty will come down and destroy. i dont think anyone can no where that kingdom will rise from. i think there will be headquarters for it in some part of the world but the whole world will be a part of this final kingdom under the antichrist, then Iyesus shall come down and smite them. babylon is the world kingdom that is not uder the Almighty and as of right now no country is controling the world so it is hard to say where the capital of the wicked system will be in the end.

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RastaRog

Joined: 29 Dec 2002
Posts: 47
Location: St. Charles, MO

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 03:59 Post subject: Politics and religion quote

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Natty 'twan
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Nov 2001
Posts: 173
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Posted: 03 Feb 2003 09:31 Post subject: quote

for one the US is not way ahead of Iraq the might be a Islamic system but U.S. if full of heathens and apostates no one is better that the other in Jah sight.

i'm not ruling out the possiblity of U.S. taking over the world but you dont have solid proof for that, as the fulfillment of prophecy

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Numor
Christafarian

Joined: 14 Nov 2001
Posts: 10

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 11:31 Post subject: quote

I swear this to be the truth, the US will never take over the world.

She is a small country indeed, sometimes with few allies. The problem is that she appears wealthy due to her great greed. She also 'appears' to be the greatest country in the world because of her self-proclaimed pride. Her right to free speech affords her no secrecy. Let's be honest, what civilization would really say a year ahead of time "Clean your house, next year we are coming to clean you out!" Biblically even the thief in the night knew to come when the owner was unprepared.

No, You can read in the headlines about fallen countries whose military is fallen, it's people are poor and it's technology is ancient. To a country who places everything on appearance and whose own scientists base their lives work on hypotheses, they have no time to research what their daily headlines tell them but rather take it as fact.

You can hear about Russia who has ceased production of military equipment and see the great photos of them destroying their fleets. In secrecy, they outfit their old equipment with state of the art munitions, and the cost is the appearance that the people are starving. The greatest phrase I hear about another country other than Iraq is "how pathetic Russia is". They had some of the most cunning leaders of all time, and if you read any literature regarding them you know that the bear is sleeping indeed, soon to awake. Even in the early 1900s their leaders were able to see a long term plan. I'd keep my eyes peeled there.

As far as the US is concerned, they haven't even gone to war and they are already seeking money from other countries. Bush SR had to get loan upon loan just weeks into his Gulf war. The US is broke and I hgihly doubt of the world's great financial, technological and military leaders would allow themselves to be taken over by a boastful, poor country. More likely they would ban together and fight. I'm not on one side or the other, but just because the US is in the media most often I would not bet they would take over the world.

As far as bombing Iraq I have no idea. It's funny how now everyone is

fearful of Saddam and even more, are of him. When the shuttle crashed, the UN diplomat from Israel praised his countryman who was onboard because he had the courage to bomb Saddam's nuclear plant (as part of the first wave military strike) when the rest of the world thought they were crazy.

Anyone can build any case they wish through the media.

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RastaRog

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Posts: 47
Location: St. Charles, MO

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 12:27 Post subject: Time | quote

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 13:09 Post subject: Would Jesus Bomb Iraq? | quote

Heavyweight discussions here ...

I have to say I am in agreement with MD on his analysis of Babylon.
I do understand the sensitivity of US brethren to what you feel to be "America-bashing", but I think some of the defences put forward about the Christian nature of America are very questionable.

Nearly all Americans I have met I have liked very much and there are a lot of things about AMERICANS, as people, that are commendable. But if we are to talk about America as a state and a system then, like all states and systems of this world, we are on a different matter.

Christian faith is too often seen in the West as a matter of merely personal salvation - an escape ticket from hell, if you will. There is little analysis or thought of the wider implications of the gospel of the KINGDOM, which is what Jesus preached, and which continues from the prophetic announcement of the Kingdom in the Hebrew scriptures, and which finds its culmination in the prophetic imagery of the new heaven and earth of Revelation.

We should ask ourselves how the values of the Kingdom of God might challenge the prevailing values of our cultures - our lifestyles, our

agricultural policies, our international business practices, our materialist consumption, our "free market" capitalism, our readiness to go to war to defend these things...I could go on. Peace, justice, and righteousness do not flow from these things. They oppose the Kingdom of God and cause oppression, injustice, greed, inequity, abuses of poor people and resources. These things lead to a backlash from those who see themselves as the victims of this downpression. Many of these things lie at the root of the anti-American feelign which is widespread around the world.

Of which Kingdom are we citizens? The kingdom of Yahweh or of Mammon/Babylon? Where does our allegiance really lie?

That God allows and uses wars as intruments of judgement against nations is not, of itself, a justification for CHRISTIANS to support and make war. This is a hard concept to grasp, even for me at times. I think of the Nazis and my NATURAL instinct is to fight, hate and destroy. But I do not see such a response taught by Jesus, but rather the complete reverse.

It all depends on how much we understand ourselves as citizens of a different Kingdom. The Kingdoms of the world will fall, both self-destroyed and ultimately judged by God. But we are not part of these kingdoms, or should not be...

Like MD says, let the dead bury the dead, we are meant to have a different job to do as citizens of a different kingdom.

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Author	Message
Mylene Forum Veteran Joined: 31 Oct 2002 Posts: 220	Posted: 03 Feb 2003 16:00 Post subject: quote It seems this discussion as made a turn. . . I'd like to reply to MD about his response to my post: When we believed, repented and asked for forgiveness, did we not become a child of God? The wake-up call and verse I stated is for ALL Christians, not just in the USA, but worldwide. Would you agree that God used the terrorists to show America's vulnerability? And would God use America against another nation? It was posted that we should love our enemies. Does that also mean that we condone their actions? As Christians, do we sit back and allow atrocities to be committed against another human because we shouldn't be involved in wars? Does that go with WWII, should America not have gone to war then? America was founded on Christian values, the time the Pilgrims came on the shores of Plymouth Rock. They were escaping religious persecution from their homeland. The Constitution include freedom of religion and freedom from government tyranny. I don't agree with everything that Bush is doing. Our rights as American citizens is on the brink of being taken away under the homeland security umbrella to fight terrorism. The left wants to take away my right to protect myself and call me intolerant when I voice my Christian views. One thing that makes me smile when Bush gives his speech, he always throws in a Scripture and what does God say, "It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

I don't believe America will be a super power much longer. A world catastrophic event may signal in a one world government. Look how much power the UN has over the nations. The EU has amassed great influence. The hatred towards the tiny country of Israel and its people. The rise of Russia (again). All this has been foretold by God (read Zech. 12:2-3) and in the end "that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:10-11 Don't give the US too much credit.

So what kind of Christians are we? "I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none. So I will pour out my wrath on them and consume them with my fiery anger, bringing down on their own heads all they have done, declares the Sovereign LORD." Ezekiel 22:30-31 Is this still applicable for today?

Habakkuk is a good read.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils! For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 17:03 Post subject: Would Jesus Bomb Iraq? quote

Quote:

> ..love our enemies. Does that also mean that we condone their actions? As Christians, do we sit back and allow atrocities to be committed against another human because we shouldn't be involved in wars? Does that go with WWII, should America not have gone to war then?

You confuse the actions of state and individual, and you also confuse the citizenship of Christians as those in the Kingdom of God and those outside the Kingdom. The argument about the US and WW2 is thus not valid, because the US is a state, not a Christian, and not the church.

What states do is their business, but individual Christian ethics cannot be scaled up to equate to or sanction the actions of secular states.

It is not the job of Christians to wage war. If I am told to love my enemies it is hard to see how killing them fulfils this function. The role of the Christian is either to suffer personally while praying for their abusers, or passively resist and defend themselves or others. Humanly this is impossible, of course - only the Spirit can enable us to live or die like this.

I challenge anyone to support Christian involvement in miltary warfare with the intent of causing death by reference to the teaching of Jesus and the Apostles - I don't see it.

Should we seek to stop "atrocities to be committed against another human" by committing the same atrocity against the aggresssor? Back to eye for an eye? The rationale that you (and others) imply leads to the logic of a Christian militia, waging war in the name of God. Something like Jihad, maybe....?

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 19:36 Post subject: quote

Pete,

Welcome back to the boards! I think that what you said to Mylene has it's good points but also where you said the States cannot be held to the same standard as individuals, is off. I say this because this is exactly what we as Americans are accused of. The state does something that Christians can't stand like legalise abortion and every one says America is Babylon. There seems to be a double standard in the application of the ideology and that is what bothers me. Is America a Christian Nation? I would say that if you ask the average person they would say at least it tried to be. Why? It is because we look at our neighbors and say they are in this deal just like us and we are trying to Serve God to the best of our ability so they must be too. Now granted that breaks down with the Government some where. But I think that can be said of any nation.....

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RasTalawa
Forum Veteran

Joined: 22 Feb 2002
Posts: 112
Location: Babylon, Texas

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 19:54 Post subject: quote

Jetze, InI see the point on the beasts...but could one not consider the arabian oil selling countries as one of the beasts of babylon as a whole???

Perhaps the battles of Babylon against itself should be none of our worry anyways?

Just a few more Reasonings...

PeaceLoveInity
RasTalawa

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Talking Dog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 29 May 2002
Posts: 289
Location: Shrewsbury, UK

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 20:36 Post subject: quote

Bill, I don't quite follow what you are saying - could you explain again what you think the double standard is?

Maybe I'm not answering your question, but I don't think it is possible to talk about " A Christian Country" or a "Christian State" - even where the roots of that country may have historically been more overtly christian at one time. *Christians* are christian, not political or geographical nation/state entities. Individuals may exert a greater or lesser influence on how much the actions of the state reflect Godly principles but in my view it is a fundamental error to think of ANY state being "christian".

To move on a step from this:
If some (or indeed, many) who make a christian profession hold power and authority in a state, *it does not follow* necessarily that their actions or decisions will reflect the Kingdom of God. Someone can be a christian but be completely misguided in their beliefs and values.

For me, the problem is that I see and hear a lot in America which talks openly and freely about christian faith, but at the level of national policy I do not see this being applied. There appears to be an underlying idea that God has chosen the US as a special nation to uniquely fulfil His

purposes and that the "christian" US is thus acting as divinely led and blessed. You may disagree, but I see this as a dangerous and heretical delusion.

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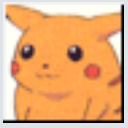
Mylene
Forum Veteran



Joined: 31 Oct 2002
Posts: 220

Posted: 03 Feb 2003 21:17 Post subject: quote

No one is saying that the US has God's blessing in what it is doing. We have innocent blood being shed on our shores as well. What I'm saying is that God will use the US or any other country to do His will. Perhaps at this time it will be the US. God directs the hearts of men to do what He pleases, may he be Christian or not.

Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?" He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely–be content with your pay." Luke 3:14 John didn't tell them to stop being a soldier. Jesus never said to the Centurion to quit his job. Putting our personal feelings aside, how would God look at this whole situation? Very sad indeed. Not one country is innocent. We are all guilty in sinning against God and we will all be judged according to our deeds.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils! For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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Posted: 03 Feb 2003 22:35 Post subject: Would Jesus Bomb Iraq quote

I have to agree with Mylene on this one for the simple fact that God is still and will always be in control no matter what we as man do. I don't agree with what our president may be doing, but to do nothing does not help either. When we look back at 9-11 and the fact that investigation proved that the government knew some of the things that were going to happen and did nothing is not what god had intended either.

What I think I am saying is maybe preparing for war as a last resort, under the right circumstances and considering all actions that could be and should be taken is not a bad idea. I don't think it is fair to judge America as "the babylon", although it seems as if many things that many Americans do will seem ungodly. It's like a one bad apple spoiling the whole bunch idea.

Another important scripture is Romans 13. It states that we should submit or respect or authorities. Then later on it says that if they do wrong, then they are sure to face his wrath. We do have a right to be concerned with going to war for the wrong reasons, but I appeal to you to all to focus on the bigger picture of things and not so much the smaller details. I do not believe that god is going to evaporate America and forsake his people because George Bush wants to go to war.

A friend of mine gave me the analogy of the mark of the beast awhile ago and it sticks to me to this day. The mark is not some tatoo, stamp or writing that appears on our body, but more so the things that we think (mark on your head) and what we do (mark on the hand). It is critical that we continue to strive to live in this world but not be of this world. Do not participate in bad-talking people because everyone around you is doing so. Yeah we have a shepard, but we are not all dumb sheep.

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blaminack
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Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 04 Feb 2003 01:40 Post subject: quote

Pete,

I am sorry for not being clear. My thoughts were in a million places when I wrote this. This is the statment that prompted what I was trying to say....

I do understand the sensitivity of US brethren to what you feel to be "America-bashing", but I think some of the defences put forward about the Christian nature of America are very questionable.

Nearly all Americans I have met I have liked very much and there are a lot of things about AMERICANS, as people, that are commendable. But if we are to talk about America as a state and a system then, like all states and systems of this world, we are on a different matter.

On the one hand we are held to a Standard of perfection. And on the other we are considered Babylon. America as the largest "Power" has some responsibilties.... For example could you imagine the Moral backlash that would have happened if the US didn't get involved in WW2? If we had not then we would have been called every thing but a Christian Nation. Why do we go and try to police the world? Who else is? Is the UN doing that for real? See I think that the problem with the USA is that we do care while others don't as much. So many have a view that as long as the People of Iraq are suffering under the Sadam regiem over there and not here we don't have to do anything. Who will? Does the EU go and defend the people of Iraq? Granted that one aspect is only part of what this is about. But it is still a valid point. Many see that US as a big bully. But do the Iraqis benifit from Sadam (UN oil for food program) stealing thier lunch money to build a bigger palace? See I see Sadam as the Bully and the USA as the defender of the underdog here. Will the World be a safer place with Sadam out of power? I think so. That is what the Sanctions are about. Don't think so? Don't you think that the Oil prices would go down if there was free flow of trade? I don't think that this just about oil but about stability. If any of that is true then I do see a justifaction.

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Talking Dog Forum Veteran Joined: 29 May 2002 Posts: 289 Location: Shrewsbury, UK	Posted: 04 Feb 2003 10:48 Post subject: quote

Yes of course God is in control, and yes, of course He will use states to bring judgement against other nations. This does not mean that the tool of His judgement is necessarily more righteous or "christian" than the other, as we see in Hebrew scripture with Nebuchadnezzar - Babylon being God's instrument of wrath against apostate Israel.

That aside, people don't seem to be grasping the central point which I am trying to get over. Although as Christians we live in particular nation-states, *we owe them allegiance only insofar as they do not violate the principles of the Kingdom of God*. Our King is not Bush or Blair, but Christ - and He should therefore have our primary allegiance.

Try to see the point that at a national level there is no such thing as a "christian" country. All (and I mean ALL) states serve interests other than those of the Kingdom, and those in the West are principally in servitude to the spirit of Babylon as far as I can see from my reading of scripture and the characteristics of this spirit's nature (not just the US).

Consequently these interests will often conflict with the values of the Kingdom as they act out their own power plays on the earth. When they conflict in this way the individual christain should recnise the conflict as such and not align with the unrighteous policies and actions of the state.

States will, when it suits them, wage war, kill, lie, extort and suppress in the name of national interest or security. A Christian may not do these

things.

The confusion I see being articulated in some of the positions being articulated here is that people are speaking as though a state may be thought of in the same way as an individual christian. I repeat: a state can not be "christian". Nations will rise and fall and clash with each other on terms which are wholly outside the Kingdom of God. Ultimately they will all be judged for this.

The role of the Christian is to be a living sign, and in the church (ideally if not often in reality) a living community, which points to the reality of a Higher King, Higher Government, and a coming Kingdom of peace, love and righteousness. I maintain that this witness is fundamentally compromised if we think and act as though we are primarily citizens of the countries where we live, and swallow uncritically their ungodly structures, policies and actions whilst thinking them "christian".

Sorry to say it Bill, but I think the idea that the US intervenes around the world is because it "cares" is a little naive. From where I stand I observe that it only "cares" to the point of major intervention when there is a vested economic or political interest for the US. What happened in Rwanda? or Chechnya? or currently in Zimbabwe? The UK is equally guilty, of course.

But the point is not really to highlight the hypocrisy of states and their policies - this is inevitable. The point is to realise that we are meant to stand apart from these and maintain a distinct Kingdom perspective on these things - which, to my mind, does not endorse the use of violence and militarism. Don't buy into the lie.

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Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
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Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 04 Feb 2003 13:15 Post subject: quote

Pete,

Naive maybe but more likely it is idealism on my part rather blissful ignorance....

You did bring up a good point about Rwanda. At the time you couldn't have heard me SCREAMING that Bill Clinton was a lying racist. Why was he shown as a hypocrite? Exactly as you have stated. He sent troops into Bosnia but not Rwanda. His involvment in Somolia was only enough to look like he was doing something.

Let's look at a issue like Rwanda or Somolia. Should someone not have intervened with military force? If there is one obviously oppressive regiem murdering the masses is that not a righteous case to fight?

I think that naivte is for those that think that war is not going to happen. For bad and sometimes right reasons. If this were not true, Pete would be speaking German right now...

Until the time of Christ's return there will be wars and as we get closer there will be more and more. Ecclesiastes says that there is a time for war right or wrong. He nor I have said that it is a good thing but some battles do have to be fought. War is an ugly thing, but the fact is that God Himself has started them in history and I am sure will do so in the near future. Our part is to be righteous, compassionate, and loving. Yes it is hard to do this while in a war....But the truth is David did that. He fought on the side of righteousness.

True enough our battles are not against flesh and blood but against spiritual powers in high places. So this brings me to a question... How many have actually prayed that George Bush would have wisdom and be able to take the RIGHT course? I see lots of critics but no prayer warriors.....

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I understand where you are coming from Bill, but you still miss my central point.

Nations will make wars against each other various reasons. Certainly military intervention overthrew Hitler in WW2 - dafuer spreche ich Englisch und nicht Deutsch so you can say that the following generations in Europe have benefitted from the just war of that time. That is not of itself a rationale for Christians to support war, in that or any other circumstance.

The argument behind this position goes something like "it is right to use force and to kill if by so doing, you prevent a greater evil". You fight a war to prevent a war. You kill people to avoid some other people getting killed. Hmmm.

This is the logic of war which is generally applied by states today (except for those who set out as expansionist aggressors, of course). My central point again is that THE CHRISTIAN is required to live according to the principles of the Kingdom and the Gospel, not the logic of secular or religious statehood. SO:

If Jesus tells me to "love your enemy" how do I square this with supporting action by myself or my state which will wound, maim or kill him? And which, in the case of modern warfare, will also take out many non-combatants in "collateral damage"? Paul says in Romans 12 "do not repay anyone with evil but overcome evil with good" which seems to take away the option of either first strike or retributive military action.

Let's look at the passage in Matthew 5 in context:

38 "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.'
39 But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.
40 And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well.
41 If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles.
42 Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

43"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'
44But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,
45that you may be sons of your Father in heaven"

This is tricky stuff. "Do not resist an evil person"? If someone strikes you, let them strike you again? If someone exploits you offer to serve them even more?

Can't be right, can it?

If someone can explain how these commandments of our saviour can be squared with a Christian engaging in, or supporting, military action, I will be curious to hear an exposition. What states do is their business, and we should engage debate with what they do "in our name". But what the Christian does is God's business, and it seems to me that He requires a totally different approach to conflict and abuse than that which the world uses. "Taking up our cross" might be more literal than we would wish in some of these scenarios.

David is an interesting example. As I recall he was excluded by God from being the man who could build the temple because he had shed blood. Does this tell us anything?

Bill, I'm not setting out to be critical, and certainly not to bash the US or anyone else. But I do think these issues need some serious reasoning on because there is a lot of inconsistent thinking in the churches about it.

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Pete,

I must say that you are very articulate and well versed in Scripture. Some of your points are hard to refute as they are quite solid, still I disagree with parts. You have tried to bring this discussion from a national level to a individual level. That's fine let's talk about it on a micro level. Imagine that you live in a small town were most people know their neighbors well. Kids play in the streets with no worries. People work and play together. Then a man comes to live in this town. And after a little while children begin to go missing. This goes on for a long time and finaly that man is suspected to be the one causing the disappearances. Before there was joy on the streets. After he got there, nothing but fear and paranoia. Suspicions. After all was said and done. Your child comes up missing. There is evidence that this man has your child. What actions are needed? Do you go and say hey can I come in and look around? Or do you go in with force if needed?

This is in essence what Iraq has done to the world. (of course not in a literal sense, but figurative)

As a Christian we are able to forgive for the wrongs done to us. But then we also must be just as God has commanded. We are to walk with righteous judgement. God commands us to live under laws and regulations that are to be enforced to maintain order. This is why it is not wrong for a Christian to be a Policeman or Military man. God NEVER commanded us to turn our heads from civic responsibility. Would the world be as oppressed as it is now if there were more REAL Christians in those postions?

Now again on a national level we are to maintian order. Enforce the legal structure. And yes Sadam is breaking international law....

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quote

Greetings,

Numor got humor: he "swears" that the U$ "will never take over the world". I think that he makes a valid point here, though. The usa is (like Europe, like the country I live in) part of the system called babylon, who IN NAME is Christian but IN REALITY is following satan. Usa have her place, no more no less. They are not the leader of the world. Instead, the Bible clearly tells us who is the leader of this world. He is currently in heaven, accusing the brethren day and night, and he will be cast down in a not so far away future (see the Apocalypse). Satanic rituals are repeatly being connected with the high ranking leaders in politics, media and culture. For those who have studied subjects such as the illuminati, it is not so difficult to see what's going on. America (like Europe, like the country I live in) is built on eso-theric thoughts, satanic in essence and practice. The line can be traced back to babylon and even further. The so-called "statue of liberty" is in fact a massive image of Semirames (the wife of Nimrod who founded babylon).

Can someone tell me what is so "christian" in xeno-slavery, massive deportation of a certain people from one place in the world to another. Can someone tell me what is so christian in killing native people and put them in "reservations", like they are animals? Can someone tell me what is so christian in conquering some countries, stealing it from it's natural resources and sovereignity? Can someone tell me how this can be seen as "fruit of the Spirit"?

It reminds me of Paulus who warns us: "if someone calls with a different Jesus you would accept him gladly, but if I come with Yesus Kristos you have a problem with that" (Paraphrased).

So mind who you defend. And mind even more where you identify yourselves with. Where your heart is there will your treasure be.

I have no problem with what some call "amerika bashing", for me it's "chanting down babylon", a phrase I'm sure at least some of you might have heard somewhere . I have a biblical foundation as well, for those who think I am parroting Reggae Music: We are told to reprove

and expose the mystery of iniquity, the worx of satan to get the world ready for his government. The problem I have more is that some here seem to identify themselves, and even their "christian identity", with the usa, rather than with the Kingdom of Jesus. Talking Dog has brought up some very valid points in this dicsussion concerning this. He has shown that obedience to authority stops where Yesus says a different thing.

Someone says, John told the soldier that he should be happy with his loan and not that he had to leave the army. The soldiers were "keeping law and order", so to speak. They were what we would now call "police". Did John call on the people to join the army? Now that would be a valid argument. But you can't find it in the Bible.

This whole idea of usa having to be "policeman of the world" has it's basis in the idea that "the world is one". It's serving the purposes of the satanic "mystery of iniquity" (that is the plan to get satan on the throne and people worshipping him as god).

It's kind of cheap to always come up with WW2. If everyone would follow Yesus, there would not be enough soldiers to fight the wars of the high ranking who are pulling the strings. Some say: "U$ liberated europe and therefore it is okay to fight in a war as a soldier". Non-sense.

Don't you see that by complying to babylon rule, to an extend which goes way AGAINST Yesus' Teachings, you are maintaining it? It is so much better to call on people NOT to join the army, NOT to fight. It's summarized in an old saying:

SUPPOSE THERE IS A WAR.....
.....AND NOBODY GOES

Christians are rightfully against abortion and "euthanazia". Why? Because it's murder. But it seems like (and I am saying this since the 1980's so don't think I say it to "you") there is care for life before birth and at the end of life, but not in between. Is murdering okay when you do it for babylon? Abortion, Euthanazia and Wars are all murder and sin, we should not participate in.

I would, at the end of my little contribution, would paraphrase another scripture: "Temptations (to commit sin) must come, but woooooh unto those that bring it".

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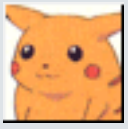

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If Christians held back from the world what use is it to be a light to the world? We are to be meek, but not weak. No we don't go looking for war, but to voice our opinion if it is a war for right and not for conquering. How is the world going to know this if Christians do not involve themselves. Yes, we are not of this world, but we are in it and

need to make a difference. We are the conscience in this place until the time we are taken out.

We are not to take up challenges (turning the other cheek), but we need to speak out just as the John did with Herod, the Apostles in the synagogues and marketplaces. They were pro-active.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils! For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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Ok, well I think that the general consent is that America should not go to war. How then do we (and I don't just mean Americans) deal with Saddam, and issues that are going on in Iraq that affect the whole world?
Do we just sit back and watch as terrorists do their work?

How does America offer assistance to other countries that need help and are asking for help without getting involved? What is the solution I ask.

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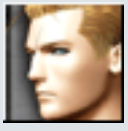

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Wow

Man you have a great way of bringing this all to a point! Respect! Let us all now that our opinions have been laid out ask ourselves now what is the right solution. My point has been that war may be just the thing that God will allow for His purposes.

I don't like war or killing any more than any other Christian.

So how do we handle this situation? I don't belive that God would have nothing be done. Sadam is a huge sponser of terrorism. He is a murderer. He is a bully and a has designs on even more murder. What should we do?

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The answers to Coolpoete's question is going to vary depending on what framework of understanding and theology we are approaching it from.

I still think that there is confusion occurring about the different roles in the purposes of God of governing authorities and individual christians/the church.

Absolute key to this Romans 12 and 13:

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.
Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.
Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.
Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.
If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.
Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: It is mine to avenge; I will repay, says the Lord.
On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.
Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.
Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.
For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you.
For he is God's servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God's servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.
Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience.
This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing.
Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honour, then honour.

key points:

In response to enemies and persecutors and evil the Christian/Church :

- must bless and not curse persecuters
- must not repay anyone evil for evil
- "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you" live at peace with everyone
- must not take revenge...
- ...but leave room for God's wrath (since it is HIS job to repay wickedness)
... must seek to overcome evil with good

Pretty clear I think that the christian/church is forbidden from exacting "just" retribution against evil.

What about the state? We see that:

- ALL governing authorities that exist have been established by God (including Iraq and other repressive regimes)
- Governing authorities "bear the sword"
- They exist as "God's servant" functioning as "agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer."
-The Christian must not rebel against the governing authorities.

Sounds like a good scriptural basis for suporting taking out Sadaam doesn't it?

But we need to think a bit deeper. From the passage and the principles I have outlined it seems to me that although governing authorities are "God's servants" this does NOT mean that when they fulfil His purposes in acting as "agents of wrath" that the Christian is meant to throw support behind the agents of this wrath-venting. There are two levels at which you have to understand "the will of God" in this process.

I cited earlier the example of Nebuchadnezzar, who was raised up by God as an agent of wrath against Israel. Was he fulfilling God's will and purposes? Yes. Was what he was doing in waging warfare "righteous"? NO, and he and his nation were in turn judged for it. You can find other examples of this in scripture, and the same principle applies in the world today.

God raises up one nation to exact His judgement upon the evil of another.
But the raised up instrument of wrath is ALSO to be subject to His righteous judgement. War is a CURSE and a juegement from God.

Now since this all cuts in two directions, how do we feel about the idea that the militant Islamic states and terror networks might well ALSO be viewed as servants of God in the sense that they are "agents of wrath" against the Babylonian countries of the West? It is a chilling thought.

So what is the christian, the church meant to do in the midst of all this?

Firstly, we should be careful not to confuse the distinct functions

of state and church in God's purposes. As soon as we identify totally with the state we have lost sight of our Kingdom citizenship. While we might recognise God's hand of judgement in world affairs, it is NOT our job to rejoice in, support or condone the means by which it comes, let alone particpate in it.
these things are excluded for the reaons I've already talked about.

We are meant to remain "neutral" in effect, and pray for everybody - our leaders AND their enemies. We must seek to be active peacemakers who refuse to align along the default political/national lines.

Where the intended actions of the state are questionable in terms of their moral/ethical base then we have to challenge them publicly. We should refuse to fight if drafted (although not combatant humanitarian roles might be acceptable). We should at all times and at all ways point to the Higher rule of the Kingdom and the coming King, as the One and Only One who will bring peace and righteousness to the world.

We have to get our heads out of the too-easy acceptance of the idea that because the state is "combatting evil" at home or abroad that we can support the means by which it does so. It's not on, biblically. Our submission to the authrities is only insofar as this does not compromise teh higher claims of Christ and His Kingdom. Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is His.

Am I making any sense here?

Bill, I was too busy to get to answer your post yesterday. I don't think your micro example is really comparable to a national warfare scenario. Reasons being:

- Direct small-scale human intervention could be quite possible in the scenario you suggest - you wouldn't seek to resolve the situation by taking out the man's house (and his neighbours!) with an air strike.

- It may be possible to intervene in your scenario without inflicting

injury to anybody, even if force is used against property to gain access. Scale this up to a full-on military assault against an external nation state and this is just not possible. For all the prime-time footage of "surgical strikes" against buildings, warfare kills innocent people.

We have to try and get our heads round the idea that as christians we are just meant to be doing something completely other than the policing/miltary function which rests with the state and for which it will reap judgement, ultimately.

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quote

Ok Pete you have made HUGE points that I recieve in all humbleness, but I have some questions still.

The first is you have said that we are to leave the execution of justice to the State. The State is made up of people. We as Christians have the inbuilt drive to have every one be Christian, though that is not likely. What I am getting at is this..... Is it not hypocritical to expect some one else to to do the things that we consider ourselves above? Also you have spoken about combating evil with evil... And I agree. But the principle that you have applied here seems to be directed at the individual and not the state. I would not like to see any one die period, but the fact is, regardless of whether Christians support it or not there seems to be war emminant.

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I have to be honest Bill I'm working through these issues myself. I've kind of surprised myself to find that I hold the position I do, because I haven't always thought like this, and remember arguing against it in the past.

The relationship of the individual christian to the state is a difficult one, and I'm still seeking wisdom about how some of these things apply. Paul's comments in Romans create more problems for me than they solve in some cases (nothing new there!) - for instance:

For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you.
For he is God's servant to do you good.

So what if, as an Iraqi christian, the "ruler" to whom you are meant to submit, is Sadaam??!!! His regime clearly doesn't exist in the kind of benign "rewarding good" authority role that Paul seems to be talking about.
Sadaam says, "gas the Kurds". Do you obey? Sadaam says "defend your country from a US attack". Do you obey?

Another tack: I'm thinking about the time that Israel decided that they wanted to have a king, "like all the nations". This was clearly NOT what they should have wanted, and God said through the prophet that they woudl be burdened and suffer a a consequence of their desire, and they ahd snned greatly by asking for a king.

This suggests to me that Israel (and, by extension, the church) were meant to function in a different kind of relationship than the King/president/State/citizen model we see in the world. Yahweh was meant to be the king of His Kingdom with Israel, and now the church as His citizens, functioning under His righteous rule. Maybe a lot of the problems arise because we have bought into the idea that we are primarily citizens of the "like the nations" countries in which we have been born - rather than those of Yahweh's Kingdom who happen to live where we do?

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One of the things that brings even more trouble for the individual Christian in the US is that we have more religious freedom in the civic sense than just about anybody. So that in and of it's self builds a National Pride and Pariotism. Why? It is because it gives the feeling that the Gov. isn't dead set against you in an obvious way... (not to say that we are not losing this freedom daily!) This freedom causes Christians here to say I am thankful for the sacrifices that others have made for this to be. This causes us to on many levels to support the National Pride. I mean really how do you as a Christan not support a system that allows freedom of Religion and speach?

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That is the dilemma we Christians face. My father fought in WW2 to liberate the Philippines from the Japanese. My uncle died fighting in Vietnam. My cousins fought in the Gulf war. They all believed they were doing the right thing, fighting for freedom for the people. We saw what happened after Afganistan. The people felt free enough to forego the birkas and shave the beard. We should live in freedom, but because of the hearts of wo/men that isn't the case. If there was a state that followed all the decrees of God and had God as its leader, as Israel was chosen to do, I would be there. As of now, I'd have to wait for God's time.

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This "obidience" stops, where the rulers contradict the law of JAH. And this law is broken in many, many aspects. The Bible tells us that all the kings have fornicated with Babylon, who is drunken of the blood of the Sufferers. That is the real situation, described in the Scriptures. I can go into this in-depth but I won't. I'll give you one example: just look at the early Christians. Would you say that because they did wrong they were being thrown before the beasts, crucified and all that?

So when Paulus tells us to pray for the rulers in order to have a peaceful life, and **as long as it is not against JAH's laws** to submit to the government (because it is given to put a limit to the wickedness which would happen when the law of the jungle would apply), **Paulus does not say we should support the system. He gives us the way to survive ina babylon.**

It remains: We should not fight against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers committing spiritual wickedness in high places.

In response to CoolPoete, it's all about "beelzebul driving out beelzebul". We are being told that this is about justice and thing, in fact it is not. The gas that Saddam has, he got it from the west to kill people in Iran. That is why "they know" about Saddam's weapons. Because they gave them to him. In Daniel you can read about principalities behind the powers and authorities, and these authorites are playing the game called "mystery of iniquity" which is aimed at putting satan on the throne. The world is being prepared for just that. And within this situation we must see what Jah wants.

Mylene:

Quote:

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Now what is it? The past of the Usa was wrong but now not anymore? Avid supporters of the amerikan governments such as you also say that amerika was built by christian "founding fathers". Now what is it? Christians put an end to these things? Yes, good thing if so, they should have, but if they were following what some here suggest, there would still be slavery. Christians should speak out against injustice.

And there is more thing going on as to why my outrage is directed at the usa (and also u-ropean governments): namely, these countries all come in the Name of the Savior. Your president claims to be on a "crusade". He claims to be a "born again christian". And this brings him in a different situation as far as I am concerned. The Name of our Lord and Savior is at stake here. What do you think that Islamic people all over the world will think about Yesus Kristos? They think, ah that is the god of george bush. They will not likely be very interested into checking the Saviour and His Gospel. Already you see missionairies in Islamic

countries are getting into trouble because of christians in the west saying all kinds of things about islam and islamic people in the context of the "war on terrorism". That was on the news recently. Many Afrikans who were enslaved got confronted with the Name of our Lord and Savior the first time when they found out the name of the slave-ship where they were put in. Why do you think there is so much effort behind the scenes to portray christianity as the religion that keeps the western leaders in power?

Voice our opinnions, yes! Because when the Name of my Saviour is used, we should keep eyes and ears wide open. And unless you would approve of the crusades, you should know that you can never start a war in the Name of the Saviour. And please do not come up with old testament stories of war because those were not wars against human beings. Added to that there is a big difference between Israel and the Body of Christ.

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One Love,
Messian Dread.
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Mylene
Forum Veteran

Joined: 31 Oct 2002
Posts: 220

Posted: 07 Feb 2003 18:16 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread, I don't see any further need to discuss these points with you. I have had conversations with another who is an unbeliever and gave the same arguments as you do without scripture references. He went so far as to call me a white supremist, ignorant conservative and bitter racist. These arguments between Christians do nothing to further the work of the Kingdom. Our fight is not with flesh and blood, but Satan uses flesh and blood to do his evil. Let's you and I not play into his hands. Let's continue to pray for peace and freedom in Christ.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1

Cor 1:18]

Oh, cease to glorify man, Who has only a breath in his nostrils!
For by what does he merit esteem? [Isaiah 2:22]

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Elect

Joined: 07 Feb 2003
Posts: 4
Location: Jacksonville, Babylon

Posted: 07 Feb 2003 18:29 Post subject: quote

Greetings and love to one and all in the Most High name of H.I.M, Haile Selassie I. I haven't read the whole post just the first page and a half...but i'll still share my thoughts...first, the U.S. does not have any right to attack Iraq...if you want to talk about human rights violations why don't you look up which country has the most human rights violations according to the u.n....u.s. leaders are hypocrites...they say Sadaam is expansionist yet what country streches it's power farthest over the world?...they say he is developing weapons of mass destruction...what country has the most weapons of mass destruction on earth?...they say he is an aggressor but who is threatening to start war?...what kind of country goes to the world PEACE-KEEPING organization and tells them that they will be irrelevant unless they authorize a war on Iraq?...H.I.M. did say that destruction would cover the earth until mankind realizes that war is not an option...Jah is a great and terrible Jah, He is the only authorized to make war, and the world leaders and all their armies and weapons of mass destruction are the Lord's footstool and will be crushed under His feet...also, just because the president is categorized as a christian doesn't mean he is...john pope says he is a christian too...but he is still pagan...revelations says that the evil that will come to rule the world in the end times will come in the name of Christ and deceive the people...too much in me head to really know where i want to go from here in this discussion so i'll just stop here and let y'all respond...Love and Inity

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Messian Dread Forum Veteran Joined: 27 Jul 2002 Posts: 1083 Location: Fryslân	Posted: 07 Feb 2003 18:45 Post subject: quote

Mylene wrote:

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Well, ofcourse that is respected. But the fact that I gave you arguments with scriptural referances and did not lower yourself and myself to call you whatever this other one called you, these two facts should also prevent you from comparing the two situations equally.

You have some strong opinnions and you voice them. I think that if you voice your opinnion you should not fear other opinnions. When reasoning, because that is what this is called, is performed, this is to compare opinnions.

But let's get back at the topic.....

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Mylene
Forum Veteran

Joined: 31 Oct 2002
Posts: 220

Posted: 07 Feb 2003 19:20 Post subject: quote

I have nothing but love and respect for you, MD. I don't fear to voice my opinions, but what my opinions will evoke. Paul instructs us not to get in to foolish arguments and quarrels because they are useless and unprofitable. I will concede to that instruction because of what you and I have been discussing is not profitable in the LORD's eyes.

I think there's a 2 by 4 waiting in heaven for me.

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For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [1 Cor 1:18]

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 08 Feb 2003 02:52 Post subject: quote

You don't make me angry at any point, when you sense my anger, this is towards spiritual wickedness in high places.

I think the discussion serves more purpose than just the communication between the participants. It's certainly not "foolish arguments", because I put a lot of thought into my contributions and by looking at most replies I would say this discussion is far from foolish.

I wish to you the grace and peace of our Divine Lord and Saviour, Yeshua ha Mashiach.

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coolpoete
Forum Veteran

Joined: 14 Jul 2002
Posts: 319
Location: From St. Maarten, living in Alabama

Posted: 09 Feb 2003 01:11 Post subject: everything has been said quote

Well there is alot that has been said and I think that everyone has great comments. Personally I think that Messian made a good point that we should pray for the unseen battles that exists. If we are not serving god we are serving the devil. Pray for individual spiritual guidance that we all will know to see the signs. I think about Revelation and how it reads that the world will marvel at the beast. That just aint cool, but it seems inevitable.

Personally I pray that I never grow stagnant or "satisfied" in my relationship with Jah. I want to be ever-changing as god is ever changing, and to grow wiser with age. I also pray for our leaders that God will lead them to make the best decisions. Although war seems inevitable and the future grim, (especially since now our alert status has been heightened). my prayers will not subside.

Be encouraged and stay positive for your positive attitude affects the next one, and the next one. God is our light and we need to shine in this world of darkness.

"The words of corruption is the words of death, the words of life is the words of righteousness"

-Ernie

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 10 Feb 2003 11:57 Post subject: Everything is sad

quote

Not everything is said, satans lies and his "mystery of iniquity" which is the plan to get him on the throne, is on "full-speed". Only "He that widthholdeth" keeps the forces of darkness to completely take over world domination as you can see described in the last book of the Bible called the Apocalypse. Things are definitely not what you think they are. There are no "born again Christians" on any throne of any government (keyword: illuminati).

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One Love,

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DIRTS
Former Christafari Band Member

Joined: 03 Jun 2002
Posts: 102

Posted: 10 Feb 2003 22:59 Post subject:

quote

M-DREAD,

JUST A QUICK NOTE TO ASK WHY YOU HAVEN'T RESPONDED TO MY EMAILS. i WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION YOU WANTED TO DISCUSS SOMETHING.

LET ME KNOW EITHER WAY, PUPANDLAMB@CS.COM, OR ERIK_SUNDIN@USW.SALVATIONARMY.ORG

LOVE AND RESPECT,

DIRTS

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 11 Feb 2003 14:31 Post subject: Thank you

quote

I haven't received any mail, but have sent you now.

Could well be that I acidently deleted it, I get about 40 mails every day.

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One Love,

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Wicked DreadLock

Joined: 29 Mar 2003
Posts: 3

Posted: 29 Mar 2003 20:54 Post subject:

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Wicked DreadLock Joined: 29 Mar 2003 Posts: 3	Posted: 29 Mar 2003 21:19 Post subject: quote No , Jesus wouldnt bomb Iraq, because in each and everyway HE respect all mankind. Even the kind as Saddam . Because after this life, he will judge and punnish each and everyone who did wrong. Everybody here on this planet came with o gaol. To complete that we has to follow the path from JAH, but what a lot of people dont realise, is that there are 2 paths. The path of JAH, and the path of Satan. If you make the wrong choice, and start following the path of Satan, then there is a big chance that you will end up as Saddam, Hitler, etc. And if you look to all the worldleaders can you say honest to me that there is one between them that hasnt did any wrong during his leadership!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! All of them did wrong. So, who are we to judge Saddam.....?????????????? We are not GOD or HIS son JESUS. We cant judge the wrong one's, it up to JAH and HIS SON.
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Natty 'twan
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Nov 2001
Posts: 173
Location: ventura Ca.

Posted: 01 Apr 2003 00:59 Post subject: quote

Jah already gave judgement for us to see in the bible, we dont need to make our own judgements because they have already been made.
Jah does punish poeple before the die in the bible he punishes many for their sins and some he killed because they sinned, like ananias and saphira.

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Zion144k
Forum Veteran

Joined: 23 Apr 2003
Posts: 140

Posted: 23 Apr 2003 08:48 Post subject: quote

question for some of you "only love and peace" pacifists, are you smoking weed? now tell the truth now...it can do that to you

The US was founded by CHRISTIANS, so it is NOT a pagan nation, read up on some of the writings of the Founding Fathers. The US has majorly Backsliddin though, but still time for revival!....anyway about that question of what would Jesus would do. Be realistic, Jesus is GOD and President Bush is just a man! Jesus could use "ultra-smart" precision weapons, ie his surgical ninja-angels j/k you know what I mean. Unfortunately we have to use bombs which sometimes fall on the wrong target etc....personally I think one of the main reasons for the war against Saddam is because of his "dream" to be the Leader to unite the Arab countries into a final major WAR against ISRAEL. IRAQ and IRAN are major contributors to terrorist organizations. Well, Saudi Arabia and Egypt as well.....just about any Arab country with fundamental Islam and lots of oil money.

Something for some of you to ponder: Jesus could have healed all the sick on Earth when he came, He could have provided for all the poor or starving, but the point is he came to SAVE the LOST not to put order in this chaos here on Earth. And,NO, wicked dreadlock, Jesus does NOT respect all mankind, he LOVES everyone in that he DIED for everyone but he doesn't respect SADDAM, in fact if you read the BIBLE you will find instances of God saying He HATES someone...YES you heard right, go read

your Bible, God said he HATES so and so.... and as others pointed out God did not forbid leaders of his people from going to WAR, in fact many times He told them to go to war. Since I watched part of that "Ten Commandments" movie recently, do you recall all the plagues against Egypt and the many soldiers God killed in the Red Sea? Blessed are the

PEACE-Makers does NOT mean blessed are the pacifists who sit around and let things be, to let the righteous be oppressed. Real PEACE is a SOLUTION to a problem through non-violence, NOT sticking your head in the sand and ignoring the problem. A peaceful SOLUTION WAS sought for with IRAQ but was not possible with Saddam in power.

If we don't go to war against TERRORISTS who are terrorizing ISRAEL(and now US also), we are not PEACE-Makers, we are just pacifists or worse. I guarantee that you can NOT come to a peacful SOLUTION with them. PROVE IT you ask me? God has proven it for you in REVELATION, go read it and the book of DANIEL.(hint war against ISRAEL, FALSE peace broken treaty etc...)

Anyway, nice site here-christafari.com, found it while searching for some information on the Rastafari religion. I'm a reggae/Bob Marley fan so was curious about it.

God Bless

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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 419 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 07 Sep 2004 19:23 Post subject: Xafarians quote Silly??? Maybe. This is with no dis-respect to rasta or anyone. Example: many who make their dreads at the salon, or listen to reggae and smoke herb . Yet when asked about JAH spirit and His will, they fail to give any reason for their beliefs other than the things listed above. I see this where I live and it seems there are many misconceptions of rasta just as there is with many christians in "today's world". This should be addressed by the rasta believers. Many rasta show their "dislike" for certain Xians yet have no mention of those people who are without any overstanding of rasta and yet portray to the public that they are ras tafari followers. Any comments? _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 14:15 Post subject: quote

blessed love to all,
Ini am new to dis site and the continuous use of x's to degrade or judge ones stikes I as odd, when Jah has told all to leave all judgement unto H.I.M. or ones are in danger of being judged in deh same manner. deh honorable Robert Nesta Marley, addressed dis matter over 30 years ago, when asked about imposter Rases, and replied that things of dat nature don't concern him, that was not his mission.
hue-manity has such a monumental task of maintaining our own temples(body/self), that it would be rump-backwards to try and cleanup a next one's transgressions when all have sinned and fallen short of deh glory of Jah. what Ini see is deh need for I-nity(unity) amongst hue-manity because my God & King Haile Selassie I has instructed I to"exploit all areas of agreement" and thas what Ini mus promote in dese times.
Give thanks fi life & Hail H.I.M. in perfectlove
bless

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 16:27 Post subject: quote

that is one side i suppose. but as far a judging goes but if InI know what RasTa livity is and then see a man wear knots on he head and the man is obviously a fashion dread and proved by he own action to be an imposter than no judgement is neccesary just simple observation.

here in trinidad the fashion dread thing is huge and it disgusts I but what can a man do. a nyabinghi elder and i were reasoning the other night and got well excited picturing in our minds what we called the ras clippers (dreads are called ras over here). for a moment entertaining the idea of a big set of real sharp wooden handled hedge clippers going by certain imposters and i picking up the dreads straight up and the elder giving a swift clip. not somthing that would actually be done but just an expression of a feeling towrds such things.

burning spear sings a song called rasta business addressing the issue as well.

l cant stand the whole fashion dread business, all these people bastardizing that Ras Tafari is. gunman wearing dread, battyman wearing dread, fashion dread, voodoo dread, babylon dread, ect. ect. ect. the overstanding of the purity of RasTa is being lost behind the this muddy flood false rasta.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 16:35 Post subject: quote

point is well taken, Iyah-as deh truth are in deh I's words. another thing, since Ini am new to deh forum, Ini jes wanted to know who is Ras and who is 1st advent.
blessupinH.I.M.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 16:47 Post subject: quote

hey man , you need to remember that dreads are nothing more than a hair style, if you want to get into the nazierean vow , then i must remind you or anyone else that the whole point of the vow was to shave off your hair when you completed the vow(along with not drinking wine or going near dead animals , anything unclean), and once again after Jesus came, those vows were null and void ,since they had to do the the law(also read acts when peter has the vision and is **commanded to eat the very animals** that someone taking the vow was supposed to stay away from).....there is no other biblical reason for growing dreads(if those were even dreads people grew) so therefore it is just a hairstyle , and mind you, **just hair** -boomfire

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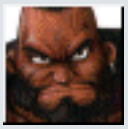
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 17:29 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
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> Ini am new to dis site and the continuous use of x's to degrade or judge ones stikes I as odd, when Jah has told all to leave all judgement

I am also perplexed by the use of X's to "degrade or judge." Chi (X) is the first letter of *Xpistos* or "Christ." So any Christian should be just as proud to be called a "Xristian" or "Xian" as a Christian. In fact, I would argue that anyone who honors Y'shua Ha Mashiach should be proud to wear his "X."

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 419
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 08 Sep 2004 18:00 Post subject: quote

JonaGus

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I never thought about this. Thanks for the input. There is no judgement being made it is an observation. I like what Ras B wrote-----

Ras B (

> **Quote:**
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> but as far a judging goes but if InI know what RasTa livity is and then see a man wear knots on he head and the man is obviously a fashion dread and proved by he own action to be an imposter than no judgement is neccesary just simple observation.

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I guess what I was trying to say(write) is that we need to be "fruit inspectors". And if the fruit stinks, then it is bad. SEEN?

I only use the "X" because I was referring to the x-generation believers (ages 25-35) where I see many who "PLAY" the part of a christian or rasta yet fail to trully examine themselves to see if they are in the faith. And many of these people show non-believers much compromise. Where is JAH faith to move mountains?

perfectloveinH.I.M.

> **Quote:**
>
> when all have sinned and fallen short of deh glory of Jah.

I am in no way saying that anyone is above another. I would like to say that observing and truth in not placing judgement. Only JAH can and will judge!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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no, no, no!!! Ini will not let you try to delete deh power in deh Rastafarian/nazarite culture. what Jah told to Samson's mama & Yohn deh baptist's mama has not changed from creation until now. deh first man Adam/atom was at deh least a dreadlock because of the absence of barbershops at that time. anyone dat denies that our hair follicles are antennas to deh heavens, have some learning to do. dem teach deh youth that hair is dead as an extension and only alive @ deh root. ask anyone who knotted up and den cut dem how dem felt, if they are truthful dey will say dat a void was left.
in deh creation of man, Jah didn't create any useless parts as deh western world would have you to be"lie"ve, all parts play their role. So its not just hair because that would be that one part is greater than another, when deh I dem know dat every little part meks up deh body of H.I.M.
don't ever forget dat Ini culture produced deh most I-

ritical(spiritual) and deh strongest hue-mans creation has ever know across all cultures. in all nations, you will find a subculture dat rejects deh vanity of dis world, does not cut dem wool, rejects animal flesh and uses herbs in praises to Jah. Ini call dem fiyahmen in dis dispensation, so please never disregard or downgrade deh power in something dat Jahimself consecrated to be holy.

finally a general misconception among 1st advent Christians is deh absolvement of deh old testament law. Christ says dat whoever can follow deh 10 comandments will be deh least in Jah's kingdom, the only two laws "He" changed were deh divorce law & the transfer of responsibility from your actions to your heart. after Yeshua walked off into light, the theology took a turn towards Him being deh final blood sacrifice, therefore doing away with any levitical laws requiring deh shedding of blood. deh 10 commandments & other od testament ordinances are deh base for deh laws of Christianity. jes because Immanuel was the fulfillment of deh law in flesh does not mean dat a 1st advent Christian is not held to deh Mosaic directive of thou shall not kill.

bless[/code][/u]

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warrior Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Apr 2003 Posts: 419 Location: Between Canaan and Egypt	Posted: 08 Sep 2004 20:59 Post subject: quote perfectloveinH.I.M., Please let us each know who you are writing to, when you post. Blessins' _____ Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
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perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 09 Sep 2004 13:04 Post subject: quote excuse I, Ini was responding to boomfire's post
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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 22:09 Post subject: Re: Xafarians

quote

warrior wrote:

> Silly??? Maybe.
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> This is with no dis-respect to rasta or anyone.
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> Example: many who make their dreads at the salon, or listen to reggae and smoke herb . Yet when asked about JAH spirit and His will, they fail to give any reason for their beliefs other than the things listed above.
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>
> Any comments?

Yeah, I can see your point. Why act the part if you don't believe the things that they stand for?

That would be kind of like me wearing a priest collar even though I don't agree with all of the Catholic teachings.

I can see your point here. I don't think you should act like something that has so much religious undertones. Again it would be like me wearing the clothes of an Arabic man, though I am not Muslim. I don't believe that is right.

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What we do in life, echos in Eternity.

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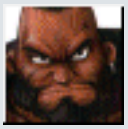
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 09 Sep 2004 22:56 Post subject: Re: Xafarians quote

> **†Oremus wrote:**
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> > it would be like me wearing the clothes of an Arabic man, though I am not Muslim.

Just for the record, there are lots of non-Muslims Arabs, including many Christians

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blaminack
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Posted: 10 Sep 2004 00:32 Post subject: quote

True Jonagus, I just this week meet a WONDERFUL Egyptian couple of the Coptic Christian faith...

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†Oremus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 20 Oct 2003
Posts: 108

Posted: 10 Sep 2004 11:20 Post subject: Re: Xafarians quote

> **JonaGus wrote:**
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> > > it would be like me wearing the clothes of an Arabic man, though I am not Muslim.
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Yeah, whoops! I messed that up. But you get the idea. I just meant me or you, deciding that it would be cool to wear something that is of religous significance.

Good catch!

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 10 Sep 2004 13:22 Post subject: quote

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I think it depends on the culture. In Canada, where I am from, people dress how they want.

If you are a Christian in an Arabic country, you dress like everyone else, you know?

There are no rules or anything to how you should dress as a Christian. I think Christians who dress like a rasta do it because they like the culture, but I think that sometimes they don't know the significance of what it means to be a rasta. So even though they may not mean disrespect, disrespect if felt.

Hopefully that made sense!!!

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 10 Sep 2004 17:49 Post subject: quote Regarding how Christians should dress & look... **†Oremus wrote:** I think it depends on the culture. I agree. I think that *ideally* Christians should either retain or adopt the traditional style of the culture in which they live, because *the Gospel belongs to every people*. Chinese Christians should wear Chinese clothing, Indian Christians should wear Indian clothing, Swedish Christians should wear Swedish clothing, Cameroonian Christians should wear the styles of Cameroon. They should all keep and develop their own languages and musical & artistic styles. Likewise, Christians who move to another country or region may retain something of their own culture, but when their intention is evangelization they should adopt the dress, customs, and culture of the locals to the greatest extent possible, just as they strive to learn the language to the greatest extent possible. The Gospel should be inculturated. This is problematic, however, in increasingly diverse nations. Not because they are diverse, but just the opposite: because there is pressure to homogenize culturally (or to lose culture altogether, as in the U.S.). Personally, I would rather adopt multiple styles than homogenize into the same plain thing. But that's just me.

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warrior
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Apr 2003
Posts: 419
Location: Between Canaan and Egypt

Posted: 10 Sep 2004 18:49 Post subject: quote

perfectloveinH.I.M.

Quote:

how is a Christian supposed to look and act

I think this topic came up really because there is such a radiotype of rasta. ie.....dread,herb,red,gold and green. This is not so with the christian. Although maybe it should be.

If we dress/act like the rest of the world how will they tell us apart? Well, we know they will tell us apart by our love! Still this is the paradox in which we are sometimes stuck. If we look and live like the world, then what makes us any different? Are we not a new creation when we are born of GOD?

We all know JAH see the heart.

I bring this up about America, many believe they are christian because they attend church. Many others believe they are rasta because they make dreads and smoke herb. These things should be addressed within the body before we reason with those outside the body. Does that make sense? It sometimes hard to type what I want to say.

Encourage and rebuke with ALL authority!

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Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 13 Sep 2004 16:19 Post subject: quote

bless,
dis is a issue of extreme complexity because historically, very few faiths or ways of life went out of their way to "convert" people to deh one and only "correct" way except for Christianity and Islam. when deh european dis-sionaries came to deh americas, to Afreeca, australia and deh far east dey did so wid utter disregard for indigenous cultures and faiths. when ones speak of deh gospel, deh meaning has gotten so twisted over deh years that ones assume it means deh good news of Je-zus Christ, when in actuality it does not. deh gospel simply means, deh good news of Jah's Kingdom coming. dis thread is deh same in a lot of faiths, basically saying to get right before it is too late. so when deh main idea of ones or ertain groups is proselytization, deh question must be asked do those teachings cause an Afreecan to try an emulate a european lifestyle? if deh answer is yes, den there is a definite problem. still, to dis day deh best way to spread whatever gospel ones choose is deh livity, as in deh example of Haile Selassie I/Yeshua deh Christ, not by talk cause dat is still cheap espicially when comes to one's salvation.
Hail H.I.M. in perfectlove

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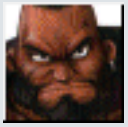

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 13 Sep 2004 21:02 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
> when deh european dis-sionaries came to deh americas, to Afreeca, australia and deh far east dey did so wid utter disregard for indigenous cultures and faiths.

Like most generalizations, this one is wrong. Not all European missionaries "disregarded indigenous cultures and faiths." Many were exceptionally sensitive to indigenous beliefs and customs--extremely counter-cultural for their time periods in that regard. The best-known examples would include Matteo Ricci, Roberto de Nobili, and Bernardino de Sahagun. Ricci and de Nobili insisted on dressing in the native clothing of the people and living as they

lived. They studied not only the languages of the local people but also their philosophical and religious texts, which they often defended to other Westerners. They always used, to the best of their ability, indigenous ideas and ways of thinking to convey the Gospel in native terms. Bernardino de Sahagun, I think, did not go quite so far. He did, however, make extensive records of the native culture, including religious beliefs, based on firsthand reports and interviews. Though most moderners would probably not appreciate all of de Sahagun's own commentary, he did make great efforts to understand the people he sought to evangelize, and his firsthand records have been extremely valuable to anthropologists ever since.

Also, the *first* missionaries to Africa were *Africans*, and Christianity has continued on the continent since the very earliest of times. It is true that Europeans sent missionaries hundreds and hundreds of years later, and that many of those missionaries were wretchedly insensitive to the native peoples (and in some cases, still are), but the gross generalization is still unwarranted.

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And you should know that traditional Christians, Christians with ancient roots like the Eastern Orthodox and Catholic, believe that Jah's Kingdom and Y'shua's presence are inextricably bound together. No division between Y'shua and Jah Kingdom is possible.

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I agree. And so did Francis of Assisi, who said: "Preach the Gospel at *all* times. Use words *if* necessary." But I guess you couldn't agree with him because he's a European Westerner and an Italian Catholic, right?

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Posted: 14 Sep 2004 16:54 Post subject: quote

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than what deh are trying to force upon dem. Afreecan tribal religions, western hemisphere Indians and all other practices by people of color scared most europeans because of ignorance. what deh did not overstand, deh feared, from which hate and deh world as Ini know it was birthed.[/quote]

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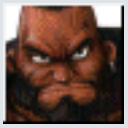

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Posted: 15 Sep 2004 00:28 Post subject: quote

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Not necessarily. There are many who consider Palestine to be as

much a part of the African continent as the Asian continent. But I think that debate is somewhat irrelevant.

You seem to be offended by what people call the "scandal of particularity." Jah chose Abraham and his descendents from all people, Jah formed the Jewish people to be his own "firstborn." This people, among all nations, was destined to be the light to all. So yes, Y'shua is a Jew, and all the people of the world have to look to Y'shua the Jew for salvation. As Y'shua himself taught: "Salvation is from the Jews."

It is legitimate to point out, of course, that some of Abraham's descendants are also descended from Africans. And, though perhaps less recently, *all human beings come from Africa*.

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Just the opposite. They recognized the people and their cultures as intrinsically valuable. They recognized the people as images of Jah created to participate in the gift of Y'shua's divine life, they recognized the the existing cultures as good soil for the seed of the Gospel of Y'shua. All that is good and true in any culture is worthy of preservation and development in Y'shua's light.

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And what I'm saying is that's what those men did. Matteo Ricci, when he went to China, gave up the Italian ways of his homeland. He adopted Chinese clothing, learned the Chinese languages and dialects, studied Chinese philosophy and religion, and lived a thoroughly Chinese life in Y'shua. And when people wanted to know about Y'shua, who is the only Savior for all people--including both Italians and Chinese equally, Matteo explained the Gospel of Y'shua in Chinese terms, using Chinese ideas and concepts. He showed the people of China that life in Y'shua is entirely harmonious with being Chinese, and that no one needs to be a Jew or an Italian to be a Christian.

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He did. He said that the Kingdom of Jah is within his disciples (Luke 17:21), and he said that he lives within his disciples (John 6:56, John 17:20-26, etc).

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The only way to truly be yourself is to live in Y'shua. As the image of the invisible God for and in which we humans were made, Y'shua fully reveals us to ourselves. Y'shua makes the African more truly African, the Indian more truly Indian, the American more truly American, the Japanese more truly Japanese, the European more European, etc. Why? Because he affirms and preserves all that is good in a people and culture, and then he elevates that good to divine Life in him.

This is not inevitable, of course. It is possible to resist Y'shua and his Holy Spirit. It is possible to turn go against the will of Jah, as colonialists and slave holders have certainly done, *and as we have all done* whenever we sin against Jah and our brother man. Such sins are hell, and they kill the life inside us. But when we receive Jah Spirit and live in Y'shua, we become more truly ourselves through the loving gift of ourselves to others and the humble reception of others as gift.

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Ras B
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Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 15 Sep 2004 18:24 Post subject: quote

apologies to go back to this but i jus see the responce from boomfire so i had to comment. i find I-dren perfectloveinH.I.M. responded weel to it, but i have some more to add

Quote:

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maybe to you but, is based on your own understanding, which i dont agre wit at all

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oh really? i am curious where that info. is found because the bible doesnt say that. i thought the whole point of the vow was to be specially conescrated during the time of the vow.

> **Quote:**
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> and once again after Jesus came, those vows were null and void ,since they had to do the the law

so then why did paul take the vow? i find this misconseption is one of the reasons people to not uphold the sabbath anymore more either. in a number of places in the NT it is stated that the messiah came to fulfill the law not abolish it. fulfilling the law not bring one salvation but the law is still the moral standard of Jah with the exceptions of the things that the Messiah changed himself

> **Quote:**
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> (also read acts when peter has the vision and is commanded to eat the very animals that someone taking the vow was supposed to stay away from)

that "command" was only given because the man who it was given to and other jews were the type to hold the mosiac meat laws in the way of a gentiles salvation, so that command" eliminated that hindurance.

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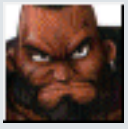

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If you read Numbers 6:1-21 carefully, you will find that the Nazarite vow was a *temporary* special consecration. And yes, the Bible *does* say that that when the time of the vow is completed the participant's head should be shaved:

Numbers 6:13-21 wrote:

13 "Now this is the law of the Nazirite: **When the days of his separation are complete**, he shall be brought to the door of the tabernacle of meeting. 14 And he shall present his offering to the LORD: one male lamb in its first year without blemish as a burnt offering, one ewe lamb in its first year without blemish as a sin offering, one ram without blemish as a peace offering, 15 a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mixed with oil, unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and their grain offering with their drink offerings.
16 "Then the priest shall bring them before the LORD and offer his sin offering and his burnt offering; 17 and he shall offer the ram as a sacrifice of a peace offering to the LORD, with the basket of unleavened bread; the priest shall also offer its grain offering and its drink offering. 18 **Then the Nazirite shall shave his consecrated head at the door of the tabernacle of meeting, and shall take the hair from his consecrated head and put it on the fire which is under the sacrifice of the peace offering.**
19 "And the priest shall take the boiled shoulder of the ram, one unleavened cake from the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and put them upon the hands of the Nazirite **after he has shaved his consecrated hair**, 20 and the priest shall wave them as a wave offering before the LORD; they are holy for the priest, together with the breast of the wave offering and the thigh of the heave offering. **After that the Nazirite may drink wine**.'
21 "This is the law of the Nazirite who vows to the LORD the offering for his separation, and besides that, whatever else his hand is able to provide; according to the vow which he takes, so he must do according to the law of his separation."

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Author	Message
perfectloveinH.I.M. Forum Veteran Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 115 Location: ohio, us	Posted: 15 Sep 2004 19:31 Post subject: quote blessed love to all, to respond to deh bredren JonaGus, whom Ini will say publicly is revealing an angle of reason which Ini have great raspect for, Ini think one thing was omitted. in numbers chapter 6, (Ini does not have an I-ble handy) JonaGus started off with verse 13, if Ini am not mistaken, the prerequisite for all of these requirements was if a nazarite came into contact wid a dead body. if Ini am wrong, excuse I but that is Ini overstanding from now. Secondly, deh two most popular nazarites, Yohn deh baptist & Samson were nazarite from birth and for life, which gives further credibility to deh nazarite vow being for life, unless a one violated it by coming into contact wid a dead body. deh Rasta saying of "whyuh grow yuh dread fi cut yuh dread" meks perfect sense to Ini, espicially when one looks at deh whole of deh nazarite vow. again if Ini am incorrect in Ini application and division of deh Word excuse I to all offended. blessupinH.I.M.
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Regis_sounds

Joined: 07 Jun 2004
Posts: 80

Posted: 15 Sep 2004 20:45 Post subject: quote

Not many of today can even compare rasta with nazarite.Wat is the purpose of the vow?I know if u take any part with grape or wine or anything down that line that de vow is broken.Honestly answer me how many rastas today eat grapes on a regular basis or have taken a lil alcohol in their lives?Well if they have i would have dem not consider even using the nazarites to justify certain things cause clearly they are not nazarites

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Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.

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Location: Alexandria

Posted: 15 Sep 2004 21:06 Post subject: quote

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No, verses 6-12 concern contact with a dead body. If the Nazirite has contact with a dead body during the time of his vow, the consecration is voided and unsuccessful. But verses 13-20 deal with the successful completion of the vowed period. When the vowed time is successfully completed, the consecrated hair is shaved off and burned as an offering.

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Samson was consecrated from birth, I agree, but his case is certainly exceptional and not the norm described in Numbers 6. It may be that some people chose a lifetime consecration, but if you believe that others did it, some biblical evidence is probably in order.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and

	someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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Regis_sounds Joined: 07 Jun 2004 Posts: 80	Posted: 15 Sep 2004 21:09 Post subject: quote Sabbath is a whole different topic.I believe that it was a covanent between god and isreal,and not all nations.One of many reasons why i say that is in ex 20 10 where it says at the end nor thy stranger that is within thy gates,this shows that if it were for all nations they would no need to say within thy gates this shows it only applied to isreal and who concerned them,ok another is ex 31 17 that speaks clearly for itself.As i said this is a completely new topic so i wont say anymore _____ Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.
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Regis_sounds Joined: 07 Jun 2004 Posts: 80	Posted: 15 Sep 2004 21:14 Post subject: quote this is in reply to ras b _____ Bless the lord oh my soul and all that is within me.
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warthog Forum Veteran Joined: 19 Jun 2004 Posts: 197	Posted: 16 Sep 2004 18:25 Post subject: quote **regis_sound** Your right! We rastas are not nazarites, they practised a few things we rastas now do e.g vegeterianism/ growing locks..... **we are a new spiritual revelation hailing up JAH MIGHTY NAME!** your also right by telling others not to use the nazarites to justify rastafari, **WE STAND ALONE WITH JAH & FIRM!** gedamawe H.I.M.!
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i never denied that. i said that the point is not the shaving part. the point, pennicle and purpose of being a nazirite is the time of consecration not the ending of the vow.

on top of samson, prophet samuel and john the baptist were life time nazirites, so the length depnds on the person and what Jah have for them. I vow is for life, other may only be a season

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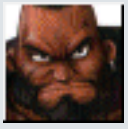
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 00:23 Post subject: quote

Ras B wrote:

> i said that the point is not the shaving part. the point, pennicle and purpose of being a nazirite is the time of consecration not the ending of the vow.

Personally, I think that is debatable. The offering of the shaved hair in the fire seems significant in the normal practice described in Numbers 6.

Quote:

> on top of samson, prophet samuel and john the baptist were life time nazirites

I agree that Samson was a lifelong Nazirite! It was clearly exceptional, and not the norm which is guided by Numbers 6.

I have also asked for substantial biblical evidence that Samuel and John the Baptist were lifelong Nazirites. Do you have some you could share with us?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane

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Author	Message
blaminack Moderator Joined: 15 Nov 2001 Posts: 1927 Location: Panama City Fl	Posted: 17 Sep 2004 01:58 Post subject: quote This verse comes to mind in regards to Samuel.... 1Sa 1:11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 17 Sep 2004 16:02 Post subject: quote thank you Blaminck that saved my from looking cause i wasnt sure where that was. i love the mental picuture of samuel, he lived a long time he must have had a serious dread. he probably had to have a donkey when he traveled just to carry his dread. hehehe
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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 16:10 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> The offering of the shaved hair in the fire seems significant in the normal practice described in Numbers 6.

interesting Jonagus, so you think that the burning of his dread was more siginficant than the tasks and works he performed in his state of consecration?

i cant see that at all.

so that means that samuel, john and samson and whoever else may be in that catagory had no real significance where their vow is concerned cause they never ended it and burned they dread?

here is the evidence of John the baptist being a nazirite;

luke 1:15 For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 16:41 Post subject: quote

first i will respond to ras b's comment when i stated that dreads are nothing more than a hairstyle..... now let me be clear on what i meant ... dreads can mean whatever that want to the individual , but in GODS eyes **dreads are nothing more than a hairstyle after jesus came and died on the cross, for jesus is the only path to righteous and the belief in JESUS CHRIST** alone is the only way to obtain righteousness....so hairstyles , vows and so forth do not add to this righteousness, remember only faith in Jesus alone accounts for anything..... in response to ras b's statement about the vow your very own words were

Quote:

> oh really? i am curious where that info. is found because the bible doesnt say that. i thought the whole point of the vow was to be specially conescrated during the time of the vow.

so there **your own words are making the accusation that**

this is not in the bible..... whether or not samuel was "never to shave his head all the days of his life" has nothing to do with a normal person in old testament times, taking the nazirean vow. for samuel and samson were specially ordered by GOd to go thru that extreme..... once again let us go over the exact content of the vow , verse 19 "

> **Quote:**
>
> And the priest shall take the boiled shoulder of the ram, one unleavened cake from the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and put them upon the hands of the Nazirite after he has shaved his consecrated hair,

..... after that he may drink wine ..... now if you read this carefully you will see that the vow wasnt even completed untill the nazirite shaved his head and the boiled ram was put in his hands .... so therefore the completion of the nazirite vow was when the priest put the meat and food in the hands of the nazirite , and that could happen only **after he shaved his head** -boomfire

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 16:56 Post subject:

quote

lets not forget everyone , it is possible to have long hair without having dreads..... there is no evidence in the description of the vow that the hair was to be dreaded, it just says it is not to be cut until the vow is completed.....

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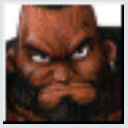
JonaGus
Forum Veteran



Joined: 08 Jul 2004
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Posted: 17 Sep 2004 18:19 Post subject:

quote

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> **Quote:**
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> > The offering of the shaved hair in the fire seems significant in the normal practice described in Numbers 6.
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> interesting Jonagus, so you think that the burning of his dread was more siginficant than the tasks and works he performed in his state of consecration?

No, I see it as a whole: the growing, the shaving, the burning. The burning is made significant by the growing and the growing by the burning. The whole is an offering.

> **Quote:**
>
> > so that means that samuel, john and samson and whoever else may be in that catagory had no real significance where their vow is concerned cause they never ended it and burned they dread?

I did not say that at all. I said they were exceptional cases and not normative. God had different plans for them than for other people, who followed the rule of the Nazirite given in Numbers 6. So exceptional were God's plans that they were explcitly revealed to their parents!

Thanks for the passage on John. And thanks, Blaminack, for the one on Samuel.

Now a good question is "Where does the Nazirite offer his sacrifice after 70 A.D.?"

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 18:56 Post subject: quote

boomfire,

1. is deh I dread?

2. have deh I ever been dread?

3. have deh I ever seen a homeless person wid dreads, because if deh I has, den deh I will know dat dem don't have dem for vanity nor did deh do anything fi mek dem dread, it is jes I-ration.

4. depending upon deh person's melanin levels and heritage truthfully nothing has to be done except abstain from deh cutting of deh locks. case in point is deh Honorable Robert Nesta Marley, who did not even twist his hair but let I-ration tek over.

in Ini overall view, dis bald head and bald face culture is a specifically roman thing that persists to this very day globally. deh whole world is scared of long hair and more specifically facial hair, so if "saints" are in deh world but not of deh world, how can one choose to look as deh world?

Jonagus,
dere is not explicit scripture dat definitely define Yohn deh Baptist as a life long unshaven man but for some reason dis is deh overall concensus at least in deh organized churches because of the fact that he came straight of deh wilderness and not too long after was murdered depending upon deh gospel.

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Location: ohio, us

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 18:58 Post subject: quote

JonaGus,

Ini would say dat, dat part of deh vow is null and void since Christ has come because it involves blood, since He was supposed to be deh last blood sacrifice period.

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 17 Sep 2004 19:19 Post subject: quote **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** JonaGus, Ini would say dat, dat part of deh vow is null and void since Christ has come because it involves blood, since He was supposed to be deh last blood sacrifice period. I actually think that even in Christ special personal vows are possible and can be spiritually beneficial; but it will never be a Nazirite vow of the kind found in Numbers 6, because there's no way to make the offering. If a man or woman wants to grow his dread and devote them to the Lord, I don't object. But it isn't a Nazirite vow. It is a new thing. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 17 Sep 2004 23:05 Post subject: quote **Quote:** so there your own words are making the accusation that this is not in the bible..... whether or not samuel was "never to shave his head all the days of his life" has nothing to do with a normal person in old testament times, taking the nazirean vow. for samuel and samson were specially ordered by GOd to go thru that extreme..... once again let us go over the exact you guys completly misunderstand me. i never denied the part about the cutting and burning the locks i only said that it is not the important part of the significance of the vow thats all.
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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 23:08 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> there is no evidence in the description of the vow that the hair was to be dreaded, it just says it is not to be cut until the vow is completed.....

not in the bible but in resarching the tradition of the nazirite through the hebrews it is found that not only did they grow their hair but they also refrained from grooming it as well. i dont care who you are, you go some months with out brushing long hair you will have dreads

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 17 Sep 2004 23:19 Post subject: quote

Quote:

> "Where does the Nazirite offer his sacrifice after 70 A.D.?"

just as certain parts of the law of moses are still the moral standard the vow is still valid. but since the messiah was the final sacrifice, burnt offerings cease but in I opinion that is the only thing that changed in the vow. though the messiah did make other changes in fulfilling the law he did not change any other parts of the vow. after 70ad is what InI call new covenant nazirites

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 18 Sep 2004 16:13 Post subject: to ras b quote

when we read the second verse in numbers chapter 6,

Quote:

> speak to the children of israel, and say to them: when either a man or women **concencrates an offering** to take the vow of a nazirite, to separate himself to the lord,

..... we see here that the **foundation of the vow was for an offering** . Again through out the chapter there are references to turtle doves and pigeons , which are all sacrifices that one is bound to under the law..... now when you consider romans 7:6

Quote:

> but now we have been delivered from the law having died to what we were held by, so that we should **serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter**

.... now read galatians chapter 3 and check these verses 3:2-3

Quote:

> "this i want to learn from you : **did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?**, are you so foolish ? Having begun in the Spirit, **are you now being made perfect by the works of the flesh?**

..... now in verses 10-13

Quote:

> for as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written , "Cursed is everyone who does not **continue in all things which are written in the book of the law**, to do them. But that **no one is justified by the law** in the sight of God is evident, for **"The just shall live by faith"**

then to verse 13 it is made clear

Quote:

> **Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law,** having become a curse for us(for it is written cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree

..... then you ask what was the point of the law? and in verse 19 it is stated

> **Quote:**
>
> what purpose then does the law serve? **it was added because of transgressions,till the seed should come to whom the promise was made;** and it was appointed through angels by the hand of the mediator

as far as any new covenants are concerned , it is made very clear in hebrews chapter 8 (please read) and i quote the last verse 8:13

> **Quote:**
>
> In that He says, "A new covenant," **He has made the first obsolete**. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is vanishing away

..... that establishes what the new testament talks of the law.... now people say "well the vow of the nazirite is separate from the law.... this is impossible because as i mentioned at the beggining of this post , verse 2 states that the purpose of the vow **was for an offering** ..

.....

or take this for thought .. say you take the nazirite vow , and you go near a dead animal , **NOW WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO DO?** you cant make the sacrifice of the turtle doves or the pigeons or even go to a priest because now **JESUS IS OUR ONLY SACRIFICE** ..... oh and if you even make it that far and finish the vow , verse 14 says its time to present your offering to the lord (which consists of a lamb and some food **to be sacrificed**) ok i think i made my point , one might say now there is a "new vow of the nazirite " that does not have these obligations of sacrifice, **but that only means that you (personally)are drawing up the terms of this new vow** , because numbers chapter 6 states the original terms (wouldnt want to explain to God why you added or changed scripture). and **we know that the scriptures have been completed.....**

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Jah Servant
Forum Veteran

Joined: 01 Jun 2003
Posts: 402
Location: Canada

Posted: 18 Sep 2004 16:57 Post subject: quote

I know I'm jumping in here but I would say that the purpose of the vow is the separation to the Lord. Offering the sacrifice is part of the deal, just as you buying a car from me. The purpose of the transaction is for you to get a car but the "vow" isn't complete until you give me the money and I give you the bill of sale.

You say Ras B may be changing scripture, but I say he's made a vow to God and it's between himself and God. The closest thing to it is the Nazarite vow, but since we are under grace now and not the law it can't be fulfilled the same way, re. the sacrifices. If he calls it New Covenant Nazarites or whatever else, that doesn't mean he changed scriptures. Do you think that Paul offered the sacrifices when he took the vow? He wrote the scriptures you are quoting from and tells us that sacrifice is no longer needed. The thing is there's very little about it in the new testament so we really don't have a guideline to go by to say this is definately the way the new covenant nazarite should be, so I say it's between the person and God.

Anyways, I'm not answering for Ras B, he'll do that, this is just the way I see it. I'm not saying that B is more righteous than you or I or anybody else, only God knows that, but if he's chosen to live this way and dedicates it to God then that's fine. If you dedicate the way you live to God

then that's fine too. The Scriptures talk about one person estemes one day more than the others but another estemes every day alike, both ways are fine. It's also written to let all that we do be done to the Lord, this can well include how we grow your hair and our lifestyle.

How about this, why did Samson not shave his head? He killed many, so he would have come into contact with dead bodies for sure.

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Psalm 27:4
One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 19 Sep 2004 03:03 Post subject: quote

that is exactly my point if you want to take a vow to have dreads thats between you and God, but the dreads(themselves have no official sacriment anymore, (like they did in the old testament times) now it is just hair..... for we are saved under grace , not by works lest anyman should boast..... -boomfire p.s this discusion is about the vow of the nazirite , and paul did not take this vow

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warthog
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jun 2004
Posts: 197

Posted: 19 Sep 2004 03:29 Post subject: quote

boomfire
you wrote:but the dreads(themselves have no official sacriment anymore,

Be careful with mysterious JAH! when you think he didnt say, you discover he has now said , cause he & no X-ristian is the TRUE BOSS!! mm mm

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Author	Message
Jah Servant Forum Veteran Joined: 01 Jun 2003 Posts: 402 Location: Canada	Posted: 19 Sep 2004 17:28 Post subject: quote Acts 18:8 So Paul still remained a good while. Then he took leave of the brethren and sailed for Syria, and Priscilla and Aquila were with him. **He had his hair cut off at Cenchrea, for he had taken a vow.** When they took a nazarite vow, they shaved their head at the start, then the new hair that grew was the "consecration upon their heads" this was their tradition, then of course they'd shave it again at the end of the vow. There is no other reason for Paul to have shaved his head concerning a vow. _____ Psalm 27:4 One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life,

To behold the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 19 Sep 2004 18:31 Post subject:

quote

this does not prove that the vow paul took was the nazirite, and show me in scripture where it says that one must shave their head at the start of the vow, besides paul talks about long hair on a man being a disgrace in his epistle (according to the culture he was part of) ..... it is not stated that paul took the nazirite vow and the fact he shaved his head is not enough evidence to prove it was..... for all we know he coudl have just made a vow up and shaved his head for humilty..... it was also common for mourners to shave their heads, and put ashes on their heads.... throughout the scriptures ,along with putting on sackcloth .....

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 19 Sep 2004 19:56 Post subject:

quote

Boom Fire it is total assumption to think that Paul's vow was any thing other than the Nazerite vow, as the Vow of the Nazerite has specificly to do with the hair not being cut until the end of the vow. Is it possible that he made up a vow? Yes of course but how do you draw that conclusion from the Scripture UNLESS you are purposely trying to avoid the Nazerite vow as being legitimate for the New Testement believer? In which case I don't think that the problem is with the Scripture but interpretation.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 06:08 Post subject: quote

first let me say , things of this nature .... we have no proof on either side, paul never stated if this is the vow he took. and we should not argue (i am just as guilty) over things we cannot prove in scripture.... for that is disputing over doubtful things...(romans 14) as the new testament warns againts..... the whole point of me going out of my way to bring up these scriptures is because , in old testament times , **the actual hair had significant meaning to ones righteousness**, for God set up the vow of the nazirite not man, God was the one that decided whoever took the vow, that their hair would be considered a symbol of righteousness, and if that was taken away so was their offering to the lord..... but now Jesus has come and the only offering we can make in exchange for righteousness is belief in the Son of God JESUS CHRIST..... so now there are **no physical elements** man can do or possess to obtain this righteousness..... that is why i keep bringing up scripture about the nazirite vow.... as far as i read , the old testament explains the conditions for the vow to be met , and they are based on physical elements and sacrifice, that all tie together with the old testament law, we are now free from this law, and the scriptures say it is now obsolete(hebrews 8..)... so any vows anyone makes is between them and God , and they are personally drawing up the terms..... ..... **and let me remind everyone about vows**..... the scriptures caution those who make them , that they better keep them, ecclesiastes 5:4 -5

Quote:

> when you make a vow to God, do not delay to pay it;, For He has no pleasure in fools. pay what you have vowed 5 **it is better to not vow than to vow and not pay**

.... and what does the new testament say on the same topic matthew 5:33-37

Quote:

> again you have heard that it was said to those of old, "you shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to God, **but i say to you, do not swear at all** :neither by heaven, for it is God's throne; nor by earth,, for it is his footstool; nor by jerusalem, for it is the city of the great king. nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. but **let your yes be yes and your no be no** for whatever is more than these is from the evil ones.....

..... God will judge us by our every word, never mind vows we make..... and as i stated before ....

dreads are **not a sacriment** , **people who have them are no more righteous in Gods eyes than a bald headed person** , and this point alone i think it is very important we as christians witnessing to rastas to stand firm and clear about dreads **meaning nothing for righteousness**, that is why i persist on this topic..... if people want to discuss things in scripture i am here to do so , but if you want to make assumptions on things not written in scripture , your making yourself look like a fool, (myself included)- boomfire

.....p.s

my approach on this board does not always come across in the most loving manner , but i will assure everyone i am interested in truth and pray for me that i would be more diligent to deliver my posts in love.....

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 12:12 Post subject: | quote

Boomfire,

I agree with much what you have said in this post. I do not think that dreads in and of themselves will make one righteous. It would be silly to think so. How ever God has told some to grow them. For that person it is a matter of obediance And Scripture does say that obediance is better than sacrifice.

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Ras B
Moderator

Joined: 15 Aug 2003
Posts: 314
Location: Trinidad and Tabago

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 16:30 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
>
> and you go near a dead animal , NOW WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO DO?

a hebrew professor told me that the dead body was specifically human not animal, also many nazerites were preists and prophets and they were not breaking there vow evertime they were offereing sacrifice for someone

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 16:51 Post subject: quote

blessed love to all, Ini have com forward again-

1. dis discussion over whether paul was a nazarite splits off into two schools-
a. Ini think JonaGus said the definition of a nazarite was one who teks deh vow
b. a nazarene was one who hails from Nazareth

2. Acts 24:5 gives a different picture. Ini thought it to be confusion to have a vow so closely named to a city that you cannot tell deh difference in a partaker and an inhabitant. when it says in Matthew that Emmanuel shall be a nazarene, Ini took dat as meaning dat dis is Jah in flesh, why wouldn't his physical temple be specially conscecrated? it wasn't until reasoning here that Ini had heard of anything different than that viewpoint. Ini accepted it because deh I-ble deals so sparsely wid deh vow after Numbers. lo, & behold in Acts 24:5, Tertullus speaking to deh governor calls a paul a "ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes."
this puts a different spin on all previous definitions up to dis point. in Ini view it further validates that deh word Nazarene means a taker of deh vow simply because Paul did not come from Nazareth.

> **Quote:**
>
> I do not think that dreads in and of themselves will make one righteous. It would be silly to think so.

ones must learn to acknowledge H.I.M. in all of His creation. none can make dem individual strands of hair grow faster or slower, so to let Jah continue controlling that facet of life is righteous. does it necessarily mek ones heart righteous, no but does an evil heart let Jah tek control of their life?

finally why does deh whole world feel fear of hair and run gon forward ah barbershop fi get chopped on a personal level not a theological level?

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 20 Sep 2004 17:13 Post subject: quote

ras b , you are right as to the reference to dead humans, although i wonder why the scriptures say when samson went near a dead lion that he "did not tell his father or mother what he had done" i always assumed this was in reference to the commandment not to go near a dead body, but maybe he didnt tell them for another reason..... anyone feel free to give input ???

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Author	Message
Ras B Moderator Joined: 15 Aug 2003 Posts: 314 Location: Trinidad and Tabago	Posted: 20 Sep 2004 18:39 Post subject: quote practical hygene *could* be the reason. biologicaly it is known tht bees dont make hive near freshly dead carcasses so the lion would have to have been rotted and well into the decaying process. which just makes the whole thing kind of gross. but samson is a unique case case he killed men as well but his terms were specific **never** for his hair to be cut. it seems Jah can atler different nazirites vows according to his purpose[/u]
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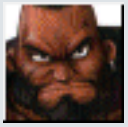
JonaGus Forum Veteran  Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 20 Sep 2004 23:55 Post subject: quote **Ras B wrote:** i dont care who you are, you go some months with out brushing long hair you will have dreads No, I have a good friend named Quartus, a guy with really straight, oily hair that doesn't lock. It's longer than his shoulders, and he never brushes it. It tangles, but it doesn't actually lock. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 00:03 Post subject: quote

> **Jah Servant wrote:**
>
> I say [Ras B] he's made a vow to God and it's between himself and God. The closest thing to it is the Nazarite vow, but since we are under grace now and not the law it can't be fulfilled the same way, re. the sacrifices.

I don't have any problem with Ras B or any other brother consecrating his dread to God and never shaving it. That can be a very good thing for him. Anyone may make a personal vow to God. I will soon be making a formal vow of nonviolence, for example. Such personal vows can be very good.

I just wouldn't say his vow is the same thing as a Nazirite vow. Comparable in some ways, but definitely different.

> **Quote:**
>
> How about this, why did Samson not shave his head? He killed many, so he would have come into contact with dead bodies for sure.

I would suggest that's probably another way in which Samson's life was an exception from the Nazirite norm. Good question. Anyone know?

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 00:37 Post subject: quote

My thinking on this would be from a medical stand point... The means of killing in the times that Samson were not as efficient and death would rarely be instant. Likely he cut, slashed and stabed in battle and went on his way before the actual physical death taking place. Now he would obviously leave them in the dying process, but chances of him hanging out until the moment of death are not very likely... Now this is just my opinion. Not some grand theological fact that I am revealing, just an idea.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 00:41 Post subject:

quote

perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:

> blessed love to all, Ini have com forward again-
>
> 1. dis discussion over whether paul was a nazarite splits off into two schools-
> a. Ini think JonaGus said the definition of a nazarite was one who teks deh vow
> b. a nazarene was one who hails from Nazareth

I did not say it. That was Blaminack. But it is true. The two are not the same thing.

Quote:

> in Acts 24:5, Tertullus speaking to deh governor calls a paul a "ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes."

Christians were called Nazarenes in that time because they follow Y'shua the Nazarean, Y'shua of Nazareth. It was an easy way to identify them. There is a Protestant Christian group that uses that name now, in fact.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 16:14 Post subject: quote

in what old testament prophecy does it state dat deh messiah will be a nazarene or from nazareth?

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally cognizant dat salvation is summed up in love for I-manity.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 21 Sep 2004 21:06 Post subject: quote

> **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:**
> in what old testament prophecy does it state dat deh messiah will be a nazarene or from nazareth?

Who said it is an OT prophecy? Does it need to be there?

_____

Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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perfectloveinH.I.M.
Forum Veteran

Joined: 30 Aug 2004
Posts: 115
Location: ohio, us

Posted: 22 Sep 2004 16:28 Post subject: quote

> **Quote:**
> Who said it is an OT prophecy? Does it need to be there?

deh scriptures say it, yes it does if deh scriptures reference it.

And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.
Matthew 2:23

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"being 2nd advent Christian and feeling deh persecution of wolves in sheep's clothing masked as true Christians, Ini don't feel de need fi force Haile Selassie I on ones but to stay eternally

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Author	Message
JonaGus Forum Veteran Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 22 Sep 2004 17:05 Post subject: quote **perfectloveinH.I.M. wrote:** And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene. Matthew 2:23 Matthew 2:23 said that it was a prophecy, "spoken by the prophets," not that it was written in the Tanakh (OT). Perhaps it was written, perhaps not. _____ Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie
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Author	Message
aaronjudah Forum Veteran Joined: 05 Jun 2004 Posts: 101 Location: Pennsylvania	Posted: 05 Oct 2004 23:46 Post subject: "You Are One In a Million..." Mark Mohr quote I thought that this was an interesting discussion that I came across. As a point of clarification, I am not Ras Aaron. That is another person blessed with the same powerful name http://groups.msn.com/twelvetribesliveup/general.msnw?action=get_message&mview=0&ID_Message=13339&DDir=1 This gentleman is commenting on an email response into his inquiries about Mohr's statements concerning RasTafari that possess faith in the Messiah. Mohr states that they are "one in a million." Where does this leave Ras B? Where does this leave me and others @ the Twelve Tribes Live Up site? Where does this leave thousands of members of TTOI? Perhaps Mr. Mohr needs more research into RasTafari. **Quote:**

Greetings to all in the name of Yeshuah!

This may be one Important topic, and InI think we should all do our best to let it be known. I recently got a magazine from an Assembly of God Pentecostal Church that had an article/interview with Christafari's Mark Mohr, and InI also recently got an e-mail from Lion Of Zion etertainment which is Christafari's Recording Label. Anyway both had something about Rastafari in them, the magazine which is called OnCourse, said some things trashing the Rasatafarian Faith, it wasnt a big section but it shouldnt have been there without Mark doing some research first, the e-mail I recieved recently had a statement by more that said "And God saved the best show for last, for it was in Amsterdam where even rastas held up their hands after the sinners prayer!" Anyway I took it upon I to send him an e-mail at the Lion Of Zion web site http://www.lionofzion.com/ (F.A.Q., contact us) to tell him that as a Rasta of the 12 Tribes of Israel origin that InI and most others that InI know/reason with do believe in Christ and not as Selassie but as Christ himself and explained that he should know these things before he says that kind of thing to anyone. I got a response from him that stated:
"Ras, forgive me for misrepresenting your faith. You are one of a million rastas that I have met that does not worship Haile Selassie as God or Christ. Respect. When I referred to Rastas, I was speaking of those who follow AND worship Rastafari.
Mark Mohr"
InI have Raspect for that man to send me this e-mail, but if he believe that(That InI am 1 in a million) then InI need to do something because what InI believe is being distorted and falsified. Anyway InI urge all to spread the knowledge of our faith in anyway we can so that the truth be known. Much Love and Raspect!!

OneLove,

Ras Aaron

Maybe someone could verify this information or statement for me.

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http://www.aaronjudah.com/

RasTafari Meditation

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 05 Oct 2004 23:58 Post subject:

quote

Did you read closely the quote by Mark in the quote that you gave? He said that it was out of the ones that Mark has met, and that he had respect for the faith of the one that sent him the email.

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 00:05 Post subject:

quote

Actually, it looks like Mohr said "one *of* a million": "You are one of a million rastas that I have met that does not worship Haile Selassie as God or Christ." If that's what he said, it means he's met at least a million Rastas who do not believe Emperor Haile Selassie is God. And if he's really met a million Rastas who do *not* believe Selassie is Jah, then why would he make the FAQ sound like they all *did*?

_____

Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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aaronjudah
Forum Veteran

Joined: 05 Jun 2004
Posts: 101
Location: Pennsylvania

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 02:54 Post subject:

quote

In this modern age of internet, books, multimedia, etc. there is no excuse for his uninformed stance on this subject. Like I said elsewhere, Ras B has become the punching bag. If at any time Mark lacks some information about RasTafari believers in Messiah, call Ras B. They work on the same ministry for crying out loud. Do they talk/communicate with one another? Surely they do. Again, Mark is without excuse. He's in CA. Go down to the 12 Tribes HQ and reason. Get on line and reason. Dread Jesus. Karl Naphtali's book. Ethiopia the Bible and RasTafari, by Lance Suriname.
http://www.onedropbooks.com/

He is without excuse.

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 11:25 Post subject:

quote

blaminack wrote:

> Did you read closely the quote by Mark in the quote that you gave? He said that it was out of the ones that Mark has met, and that he had respect for the faith of the one that sent him the email.

You are seriously stating Mark met millions of Rastas?

Ofcourse that is not the case.

As I say repeatly, the definition of Rasta according to LOZ is still utilized as driving force behind the philosophy that we come to know as Christafarianism.

_____
One Love,
Messian Dread.

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blaminack
Moderator

Joined: 15 Nov 2001
Posts: 1927
Location: Panama City Fl

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 12:16 Post subject: quote

I didn't say that he has met millions. You have ignored the quote that you added to your message.

It is entirely obvious that the word millions in this statement is a figure of speach. Strain at the gnats.

For a person that has toured much of the world it is not likely that he has not met thousands of Rasta. 15 trips to Jamaica, living in Trinidad, and making tours through out the US and and Canada and Europe. I can safely say that he has met a few Rastas... so you are set fully on the figure of speach to to prove him wrong? You should run for President of the US. You have a great campaign going....

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 13:18 Post subject: quote

I know that LOZ denies the faith of people like me (because they say people like me are deceivers) and that one of their arguments is that people like me are "one in a million" so people like me can be ignored as they do not form a suitable position for the justification of the activities of LOZ.

Not I, but Mark Mohr should run for president. For he is only interested in the majorities.

Or what he perceives as majority.

_____
One Love,
Messian Dread.
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Personal Site: http://messiandread.dubroom.org/

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JonaGus
Forum Veteran

Joined: 08 Jul 2004
Posts: 486
Location: Alexandria

Posted: 06 Oct 2004 16:25 Post subject: quote

Messian Dread wrote:

> one of their arguments is that people like me are "one in a million" so people like me can be ignored

But the actual letter says "one *of* a million," not "one in a million." And that means something very different.

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Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Author	Message
Jah Pickney Moderator Joined: 16 Nov 2001 Posts: 791 Location: Canada	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 20:34 Post subject: quote Yes please read the letter again. It says "You are one of a million...." Meaning there are plenty who hold these beleifs. You are finding things to condemn when there is nothing there. Be careful. _____ Jah Pickney deyah once again ya know! Coming to ya straight FROM THE HEART! http://www.jahpickney.com/
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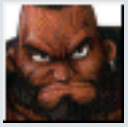
JonaGus Forum Veteran  Joined: 08 Jul 2004 Posts: 486 Location: Alexandria	Posted: 06 Oct 2004 21:10 Post subject: quote **Jah Pickney wrote:** Yes please read the letter again. It says "You are one of a million...." Meaning there are plenty who hold these beleifs. You are finding things to condemn when there is nothing there. Be careful. In defense of my brothers who read it wrong, however, this raises a different but similar question: If there are *so many* Rastas who do not believe Selassie is Jah, and Mohr admits that, why would he portray Selassie-divinity as the *only* Rasta view in writings like

the FAQ? Why would he imply Rasta and Christian are *always* incompatible when, in some cases, they are *not* necessarily? That's the problem being raised.

_____

Do you remember when they crucified the Christ? There was someone on the left and someone on the right. They were both thieves! It's the same for ideologies. —Berhane Selassie

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Messian Dread
Forum Veteran

Joined: 27 Jul 2002
Posts: 1083
Location: Fryslân

Posted: 07 Oct 2004 02:38 Post subject: quote

Ofcourse.

Ask him, you got the connections, "moderators".

Ras Aaron had exactly the same reaction:

> **Quote:**
>
> InI have Raspect for that man to send me this e-mail, but if he believe that(That InI am 1 in a million) then InI need to do something because what InI believe is being distorted and falsified. Anyway InI urge all to spread the knowledge of our faith in anyway we can so that the truth be known. Much Love and Raspect!!

Ofcourse Jonagus, you are right.

He surely ment that we are minority and can therefore be disregarded.

This is his standard answer.

I do not need this one quote and I am not looking for something not there JP, I have heard at many instances that Christafari freely condemns Rastas for being idol worshippers without regarding any nuance in the movement, clearly going against His Majesty Haile Selassie when he gave Christians that KEY QUESTION when it comes to the relationship of Rastafari and Christianity: "Who Am I To Deny Their Faith"?

Oh no I am definitely not looking for something that is not there. I am not founding it on this one quote, JP.

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One Love,

Messian Dread.

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boomfire
Forum Veteran

Joined: 19 Jan 2003
Posts: 111
Location: rhode island ,USA

Posted: 07 Oct 2004 05:01 Post subject: quote

yo messian dreads posts are comic genius , no offense to everyone he lashed out on, but seriously he is using your flawed attempts to defend mark, against you..... it is hysterical

Quote:

> You are seriously stating Mark met millions of Rastas?
>
> Ofcourse that is not the case.

-messian dread..... <----offically wins all arguments on this thread

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