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EAT SHOWBREAD

THE PURPOSE OF GOD IS THE
SHOWBREAD OF GOD!

Did you say, "That doesn't make sense! What does that mean? How does that affect me?"

I'll give you the answer first, and then I'll try to explain it.

OUR GOD'S PURPOSE FOR YOUR LIFE IS FOR YOU TO EAT THE SHOWBREAD, AND AS A RESULT YOU WILL SET ASIDE MOSES' LAW. YOU WILL BE UNLAWFUL BUT BLAMELESS.

The word "PURPOSE" in the Bible is translated from the same Greek word/meaning as the word "SHOWBREAD". It will make sense, believe me.

THE HOUSTON NATIONAL CONVENTION

It all started at the HOUSTON NATIONAL CONVENTION. When we paid our hotel bill, the desk clerk handed me a 3 foot long, 4 inch in diameter, loaf of FRENCH BREAD, wrapped in a bag with "HOTEL SOFITEL" printed all over the bag. She said, "This is our gift to you."

Yes! It was "SHOWBREAD" (the KJV spelling is SHEWBREAD) that SHOWED to everyone, as we carried it through the airport and on to the airplane, that we had been at the HOTEL SOFITEL. In fact, I was like a walking billboard.

Everyone who has written or spoken to me about the HOUSTON CONVENTION said that they had a good time; they learned a lot; they had new questions; and, they wanted to do it again. We studied copiously about the "PURPOSES" of our GOD at HOUSTON. But, at that time we did not know that we should also study the "SHOWBREAD".

At home in Harrisburg, with the convention fresh in my mind, while wondering about the PURPOSES of God concerning the HOUSTON CONVENTION, and while chewing on a hard piece of the "FRENCH BREAD" gift (the SHOWBREAD), I again looked up the word "PURPOSES" in STRONG'S Concordance. To my surprise, I saw what I had not seen before, though I had read it many times before.

It said, "4286, PROTHESIS (Greek), a setting forth, proposal (intention); specifically the SHOW-BREAD (in the temple), as exposed before God, PURPOSE, SHOW (BREAD)."

Never before had I connected the PURPOSES of God with the SHOWBREAD of God. Excitedly, I looked up the word "SHEWBREAD, and found, 4286, which is the very same Strong's reference number as "PURPOSES"!

I was thrilled because I was led into a NEW truth about the SHOWBREAD and the PURPOSES of God. And I was also comforted by the fact that the spirit of revelation was still upon me. No other authors on the TABERNACLE (that I know of) had called any attention to the fact that the PURPOSES of God are the SHEWBREAD of God. So, I didn't feel too bad for missing it myself, either. But, I had to ask myself the question, "Why had I not seen it before?"

THE RIGHT TIME

The only answer of peace that I can see is that our GOD shines the illumination of the Holy Spirit on certain passages of the Bible only at the time that He wants it to be revealed. It is kind of like Daniel 9:2, "I Daniel understood by books the number of years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem".

What I mean is, that Daniel did not understand before the 70 years were up; neither did he make the discovery a long time after the time was up; but, our GOD sent the understanding at exactly the same time that the 70 years were over. Daniel had been studying that passage in Jeremiah for over 70 years, but Daniel did not understand it until it was the right time.

And, I believe that the knowledge of the truth - that the SHOWBREAD of God is the same thing as the PURPOSE of God - has also been hidden

the same way for the same purpose. And now our GOD is giving understanding to us at the right time.

WHAT SHOWBREAD IS.

The SHOWBREAD is twelve (pan)cakes, baked with fine flower, which were placed in two piles of six (pan)cakes, on the table of SHOWBREAD, that stood before YAHWEH (God), in the TABERNACLE of Moses, and remained there for a week. Later, the SHOWBREAD was in Solomon's TEMPLE and later still in the second TEMPLE that became Herod's TEMPLE, the one that JESUS visited. Fresh pancakes replaced the old on each Sabbath and the priests ate the old. Authorities say that the rendering of the word by the Revised Version as, PRESENCE-BREAD, is better and more accurate than SHOWBREAD.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE SHOWBREAD.

First, we find the story of how to build the Tabernacle of MOSES, and place the SHOWBREAD on the Table of SHOWBREAD. (Exodus 25:30, 35:13, 39:36, Numbers 4:7).

Second, we find the story of how King David and his hungry soldiers ate the SHOWBREAD, which was not lawful. (I Sam. 21).

Third, we find the story of how Solomon built his Temple and how the SHOWBREAD was used. (I Kings 7:48, I Chron. 9:32, 23:29, 28:16, II Chron. 2:4, 4:19, 13:11).

Fourth, we find the cleansing of the Temple of Solomon, and building the second Temple, involving the use of SHOWBREAD. (II Chron. 29:18, Nehemiah 10:33).

Fifth, and I believe the most important, we find the story of how the hungry disciples of JESUS ate the corn that they plucked on the Sabbath, which was not lawful. JESUS said that there was no difference between what his disciples did and what David's men did when they ate the SHOWBREAD. JESUS said that was the same as when the priests profane the Sabbath by working on that day. While JESUS admitted that eating the SHOWBREAD, or plucking corn, or performing priestly duties on the Sabbath were all unlawful, He also said that they were all BLAMELESS! (Matt. 12:1-9).

SHOWBREAD IS UNLAWFUL.

The SHOWBREAD was baked on the Sabbath, was baked in the Tabernacle, was carried on the Sabbath, was gathered and changed on the Sabbath, all of which are against Moses' law. Naturally, the SHOWBREAD made the priests very "up tight". No one wanted to admit that they were breaking the law (of Moses). That was too much for the Jewish mind. So, they came up

with a new term. "DO-HIN ET HA-SHABBAT", which means to push aside or set back the Sabbath for a higher duty. The SHOWBREAD was one thing and the Passover was another that came under that category. For a lot more on "DO-HIN ET HA-SHABBAT" please see my NEW book, DANIEL'S 70 WEEKS, page 25, and 26.

SHOWBREAD is against Moses' law, even though he commanded that it be made and used. Nowadays we would say that the priests who had to minister at the SHOWBREAD were in "a catch 22". No matter what they did, they were wrong according to the law - but a higher power made them do it, anyway.

But, again, what does this all have to do with us, now?

TO HAVE THE PURPOSE OF GOD IN YOUR LIFE IS TO HAVE THE SHOWBREAD AND THAT MEANS THAT YOU WILL BE OUTSIDE MOSES' LAW, BUT YOU WILL BE BLAMELESS.

For instance, here is a scripture that we must now look at again with this new meaning. "Who saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to HIS OWN SHOWBREAD (PURPOSE) and grace, which was given us in CHRIST JESUS before the world began." (II Tim. 1:9).

Before the world began, our GOD gave his SHOWBREAD (PURPOSE) to you with his grace. That means that the big plan of our GOD (the SHOWBREAD/PURPOSE) is for you to walk after the Holy Spirit and not after the law of Moses. Remember that you received His SHOWBREAD (PURPOSE) before the world began, and that was a long time before Moses.

THE THREAT.

The threatening part is that the Holy Spirit leads you to NOT throw stones - while at the same time Moses' law demands that you throw them. For instance, the story of the woman taken in the act of adultery - "Neither do I condemn you: go, and sin no more" (John 8:11). Even though Moses' law demands that you stone the adulterous woman, and even though you are acting unlawfully if you don't throw stones - JESUS said, "And they (you) are BLAMELESS!" (Matt. 12:5), when you set aside the law of Moses for a higher purpose.

And the other side of the coin of threatening is that the Holy Spirit will lead you to pluck corn on the Sabbath - which is against Moses' law. "And they (you) are BLAMELESS!" (Matt. 12:5). In other words, the Holy Spirit will lead you to NOT

do things that Moses' law says you must do. And, the Holy Spirit will lead you the other way so that you do things that Moses' law says you must NOT do. When that happens JESUS says that you will be BLAMELESS, but your society will want to kill you for doing it.

Experience indicates that the Holy Spirit will lead you outside of Moses' law and outside of the camp (your Christian society - your church). You must decide what subject the Holy Spirit is leading YOU into or out of. And, that is very threatening because Moses' law provides security. But you must grow up and leave the security of the (Christian or any other) society that operates under Moses' law. In other words, when you are led by the Holy Spirit, you are usually alone at that time and you are a threat to your (Christian) society and they are a threat to you.

ALL THINGS WORK FOR GOOD?

Here is another scripture that must now be examined under this new light. "And we know that all things work together for GOOD to them that love God, to them who are the CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS SHOWBREAD (PURPOSE) (Rom. 8:28).

Now, we see that the promise of having ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD involves the SHOWBREAD. That means that if everything in your life works out GOOD for you, then you will be eating the SHOWBREAD - walking in the CALLING = SHOWBREAD = PURPOSE = SCRIPT that He gave to you, before the law of Moses. The CALLING of God, the SHOWBREAD of God, the PURPOSE of God, and the SCRIPT that our GOD gave to you in the volume of the book are all the same thing.

RESPONSIBILITY.

"Hast thou faith (to allow the Holy Spirit to lead you to eat meat, drink wine, go to church on Sunday, Saturday or even Friday, which thing your [Christian] society does not believe in)? HAVE IT TO YOURSELF before God. Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth." (Rom.14:22. Please review the whole chapter).

If you are going to let the Holy Spirit lead you, then keep your big mouth shut about it (HAVE IT TO YOURSELF). More churches are ruined by vociferous people telling what they did, - or what it is that they think they have the freedom to do - than anything else that I know of.

A Christian who is still being led by Moses' law is called - WEAK IN THE FAITH. (Rom.14:1). It is a real dumb thing to "spill the beans" to a

person who is - WEAK IN THE FAITH.

HAVE IT TO YOURSELF means to keep it a secret that is just between you and God only. Experience indicates that the person who you think you can trust with your secret is the person who will dump it to the whole world, later on.

Do not lead any person outside of Moses' law - that's the job of the Holy Spirit. That's not your job. And it's not your responsibility. Mature Christians need the leading of the Holy Spirit (the gospel of the UNcircumcision), but immature Christians need the leading of Moses' law (the gospel of the circumcision). So, leave them in the law, while they need it. Only the Holy Spirit knows when they are ready for His leading. You may think you do, but you don't.

If you can't be happy in the thing that you feel that you may be led into, and if you can't keep it a secret that is just between you and GOD only, then "jump back, Jack". Don't do it. Your idea is not from the Holy Spirit. It is probably the work of your own flesh.

Immature Christians often try to justify their own selfish sinful acts by saying that, "The Spirit made me do it." That is not so! For the scripture says, "The spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets." (I Cor. 14:32).

Too often, pastors have placed their arm across my shoulders and said, "Brother David, what you are teaching about law and grace is right. It is the truth. But I think that sinful people in our congregation will use your message to justify their own sin; and then they may use the message to lead other weak Christians into sin, too. So, I don't want you to teach law and grace at our church."

I only believe half of that story. I agree that sinful people do corrupt the beauty of this message. But, I don't know of any evidence that would indicate that this message has ever caused anyone to commit sin. People sin because they want to sin, not because they found what looks like a loop hole in the law. This kind of truth is harder to follow than Moses' law, so it is only for the mature Christians. Immature Christians who are "WEAK IN THE FAITH" (Rom. 14:1) do not need to read or hear this message.

OUR GOD'S CALLING, PURPOSE AND SCRIPT FOR YOUR LIFE IS FOR YOU TO EAT THE SHOWBREAD, AND AS A RESULT YOU WILL SET ASIDE MOSES' LAW. YOU WILL BE UNLAWFUL BUT BLAMELESS. I PREDICT THAT MOST OF US WILL EAT SHOWBREAD, SOON.