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Why Should the Goyim Have Everything?

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FERDINAND EWALD was born of Jewish parents in Bamberg, Bavaria. His parents were poor and the education he received was the best his little village could afford. He had such a remarkable memory and special gift for foreign languages, that his friends raised a fund to send him and his brother to a better school.

One day in school he came across a copy of the New Testament. A teacher seeing him with the Book in his hand, scolded him and said, "That is for 'goyim,' not for Jews!" This aroused his curiosity, and he took the Book to his room to find out why this was a forbidden Book. All night long he read it. When he finally put it down, he couldn't sleep. During the rest of the night, and all the next day, questions came pouring in upon him. It seemed as though his inner self was crying out, Why was this Book not read by his people? Didn't it tell of his own people? Why, even Matthew, Mark, Peter, John, Paul, and the other disciples, were Jewish! Why then was this called a Gentile's Book? Didn't it refer over and over again to the Holy Scriptures as set forth by Moses and the other prophets? This Jesus, the One he had been taught to hate from his very childhood, how could he be an impostor, the hater and destroyer of his Jewish people? Once again he picked up the New Testament, and compared it with his own Jewish Scriptures. As he read, he became more and more convinced that Jesus of Nazareth was truly the Messiah, the Prophet of Israel, long foretold by Moses,

The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren,

...And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto My words which He shall speak in My name, I will require it of him. Deuteronomy 18:15,19.

How can man say this is just for the "Goyim," when Jesus fulfills the very acts or miracles given by the Prophet Isaiah?

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing; for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. Isaiah 35:5,6.

As Ferdinand once more compared the New Testament with the Book of the Prophets, he became convinced that Jesus Christ alone was the Jewish Messiah, the One for whom his people prayed. He cried, "O Lord, open Thou my eyes, that I might behold Thy Truth." He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour, and left school to go home and tell his family of his new discovery.

HIS FAMILY CONVINCED

After many discussions at home, Ferdinand began showing them from their own Scriptures that he had not accepted a Gentile God, but had at last found the Promised and long-awaited Messiah. They too accepted the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thereafter began years of preparation and studying of God's Word so that he might be better fitted to speak to his own people. After finishing school, he felt that God would have him go to far-off Africa. God led him to Algiers where he set about the giving out of Bibles—selling them to whomever would purchase them. When the Customs House authorities

saw that his wares were Bibles, they said, "You have chosen the worst part of the world for the carrying out of your good intentions; there is nothing being done in this section to tell these people about God or His Word." Ewald answered, "This Book, the Bible, has already done great things and I trust the Lord will also bless it in this country."

NOT ONLY GOYIM, BUT JEWS

In Algiers he discovered many of his own people who had been driven from other lands and had found refuge in that far-away region. He had with him Hebrew Bibles, and hired a house and held meetings where he could tell the Jewish people that the Messiah had already come; and that His name was the Lord Jesus Christ. He spoke to them in the Hebrew language.

Many people came to his home, and were anxious to hear or debate about God's Word. After being there several years, he received a letter from the French Governor-General forbidding him to preach about Jesus Christ. Ewald felt that if he couldn't talk about His Lord there, he would move to another part of the country. Accordingly he went to the Barbary States, with God's help was able to buy a house and open Bible classes for those who were willing and hungry to hear about God's great love in sending the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, to die for their sins.

Later he went to Tunis, and found many Jews there. Within three months' time, he sold over 398 Bibles, New Testaments and portions of Scripture in Hebrew, Arabic, Italian, Greek, Spanish, and French. God had truly given him a wonderful gift, and he could speak, write and converse in these different tongues.

He wrote a friend, "I have from morning till night every possible opportunity for preaching the unsearchable riches of Jesus, the Messiah, to both Jews and Mahometans; sometimes they come to my dwelling place; at other times I meet them in the shops and in the Synagogues or in the market place. The desire to read and to possess the Word of God is daily increasing among the remnant of

A Jewish Lawyer Said, "I Believe in Science"

He had no use for God, he said; and he did not believe that our forefathers were ever in Egypt; he said that all these things are fairy tales. Perhaps you too believe that Science is greater than the God of our fathers. If you would like to know how we answered this poor, blinded lawyer, send us 5¢ in stamps and ask for our folder, "I Believe in Science."

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Israel in this country. Even the poor save a few pence or shillings in order to buy portions of God's Word. I accept the money, for I feel that if they pay—even a few coins—they will treasure the Book more."

AND THE LAND OF HIS FATHERS

After laboring in Africa for eight years, he set sail for Jerusalem where once again he was blessed in witnessing to his own people. He spent ten years there and God gave him the joy of winning Rabbis to the Lord Jesus Christ. He

showed them from their own Scriptures that Jesus Christ alone could fulfill all the promises given concerning the Messiah, for whom they prayed daily.

Later in life, he returned to London, England, where he labored nineteen years among his own people, preaching and showing them that only by accepting the Lord Jesus, their Messiah, could they find the peace and security they were looking for. Jesus Himself had said,

Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28.

Do You Know God?

THEN Paul stood in the midst of Mars' Hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, **TO THE UNKNOWN GOD**. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, Him I declare I unto you.

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; neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; 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; that they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after Him, and find Him, though He be not far from every one of us;

For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also His offspring. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device. And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent:

Because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) from the dead. (Acts 17:22-31)

In the foregoing account we find a great Jewish scholar who sat at the feet of the famous Rabbi Gamaliel. When he, Paul, accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Messiah and Saviour, he was eager to go and tell the world that God was no respecter of persons; but that He loved all men, whether they are Jews or Gen-

tiles; whether they are black or white.

As this great Jewish scholar stood up boldly before those heathen of Athens who were worshipping many gods, he declared unto them the mystery of the **UNKNOWN GOD**, to whom they had erected an altar, because they did not want to offend any god. As I read this message, which is recorded in the New Testament, the question came to my mind, "How many people today, both Jews and Gentiles, are still worshipping an **UNKNOWN GOD**?"

But, you may say, "They **know** God!" Yes, they know there **is** a God; but do they really **KNOW** God? What does the word, "know," mean? I turn to the dictionary and I find the following definition:

Know: to have a clear perception or apprehension of; to be certain of; to be thoroughly acquainted with; to recognize; to understand.

Are you **thoroughly acquainted with God**? Do you have a **clear perception of Him**? Are you **certain** that there is a God? Is God a reality to you?

David, King of Israel, in his charge to his son, Solomon, said:

And thou, Solomon my son, KNOW THOU THE GOD of thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind; for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off forever.
I Chronicles 28:9.

What was David trying to tell his son? Didn't Solomon already **know** God? Yes, he like so many people today **knawed of** God, but did not **KNOW** God. There is a difference between knowing **about** a person, and **becoming acquainted** with that person, and **actually knowing** him. David wanted his son not only to **KNOW ABOUT GOD**, but really to **KNOW** and serve God.

Jeremiah, the prophet, tried to tell this same truth, when he cried:

Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty

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man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord. Jeremiah 9:23,24.

Do you understand and **KNOW** God? Or are you still worshipping an **UNKNOWN** God? God wants to reveal Himself to you today. You can only **KNOW** God by accepting the Lord Jesus Christ, your Messiah. For we read,

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son (Jesus our Messiah), that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16.

O Israel, David's admonition to his son to **KNOW** the God of his father, and serve Him with a **willing mind** is our plea to you today.

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found; call ye upon Him while He is near.

Isaiah 55:6.

And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the Lord.

Jeremiah 29:13,14.

This same Paul, the great Jewish scholar, who found and came to **KNOW** the true God and the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, was full of assurance as he cried,

For I **KNOW** whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.

Dear friend, do you really **KNOW** God? You can know Him today by simply taking God at His word and accepting His gift of salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ, our only hope, our only way to reach the Heavenly Father.

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עפען מייענע אויבן כדי איך זאל אנערקענען זיינעם אמת.

אָננענומען דעם האַרן ישוע אלץ זיין ערלייזער, איז ער אוועק פון סקול און געפאָהרן אַהיים כדי צו דערציילן זיינע פאַמיליע וואָס ער האָט געטהון.

זיינע פאַמיליע שטימט איין מיט איהם

נאָך פילע וויכוחים אין דער היים באַווייזענדיג זיי פון תנ"ך, אז ער האָט נישט אָננענומען אַ נוי'שן נאָט, זאָגנדיג אז ער האָט נאָר-אויסגעפונען דעם משיח פון וועמען משה און די אירישע נביאים האָבן גערעדט, האָט זיינע פאַמיליע איהם אויך אָננענומען.

נאָכדעם האָבן זיך אָנגעהויבן די זאָהרן פון פאַרבאָדייטונג און שטוריום פון נאָט'ס וואָרט כדי צו זיין בעסער פעהיג צו רעדן צו זיינע אירישע ברודער וועגן זיין גלויבן אין משיח. זיין שטודיאום געענדיגט האָט ער ביי זיך געפיהלט דעם פאַרלאַנג און באַרוף פון נאָט ער זאל געהן פאַרקוינדיגן דעם נאָמען פון משיח צו די אידן וואָס וואוינען אין נאָרד אַפריקע.

אָננומענדיג קיין אַלרזשיז האָט ער אָנגעהויבן דאָרט פאַרקויפן ביבלען, ווען די קוסטאָם באַי אַמטע האָבן באַמערקט זיינע סתורה האָבן זיי געלאַכט, "דו האַכט זיך אויסגעוועהלט דעם ערויסטן פלאַץ פאַר אַזאַ סתורה!" האָבן זיי איהם געזאָגט. "זיינער ביי אַזינד האָט געוואַנט צו האַנדלען מיט ביבלען אין דווען לאַנד!"

אַבער עוואַלד האָט געענטפערט: "דאָסראַזיגע בוך האָט שוין פריהער פילע וואונדער געשאַפן, און מיט נאָט'ס הילף, האָף איך, וועט עס און טהון דוועלביגע וואונדער אין דער צוקונפט."

פארוואס זאל אלעס זיין נאר פאר גוים?

פון ה. קאזער

די כתבי הקודש פון משה און די אנדערע נביאים? דערדאָזיגער ישוע, וואָס לערנט נאָר פון געטליכ' קייט און ליבשאַפט — ווי אזוי האָט ער געקאָנט זיין אַ באַטריגער, דער פיינד און דער צושטערער פון זיין אייגן פאָלק? פאַרוואָס האָט מען אונז געלערנט פון סינדרויז אויף איהם צו האַסן?

נאָכאַמאָל האָט ער אויפגענומען שטורירן דעם ברית חדשה און איהם פאַרנלייכן מיט'ן תנ"ך, די שריפטן פון משה און די נביאים. שטודירנדיג אזוי איז ער מעהר און מעהר איבערצייגט געוואָרן, אז ישוע מנצרת איז באַמט געווען דער משיח, דער גרויסער נביא כמשה, פון וועמען משה האָט נבואות געזאָגט אין דער תורה!

א נביא פון צווייטן דויען ברודער, אַזוי ווי איך בין יעצט דער האַר רויז נאָט צו דיר אויפשטעלן, איהם זאלט איהר געהאַרען (דברים י"ח:15).

ווי אזוי קאָן איינער זאָגן, האָט ער זיך געדאַכט, אז דאָס איז נאָר פאַר גוים ווען ישוע האָט דער-פילט די טעשים און האָט באַוויזן די וואונדער וואָס דער נביא ישוע האָט פאַרפאַעציהט, אז ער וועט זיי טהון? (ישעיה ל"ה:6).

דענסטמאָל וועלן די אויבן פון די בילדע אויפ-געטאַכט ווערן און די אויבן פון די שויכע וועלן זיך אויפמאַכן.

דענסטמאָל וועלן די לאַמע שפּרינגען ווי אַ היים, און די צוכט פון די שמועס וועט זינגען, ווארום אין דער מדבר וועלן וואַסער אויסברעכן, און טייכען און דער וויסנטיג.

בעת דער אויפריגער שטודענט עוואַלד האָט וויי-טער געלעזן און ווייטער פאַרנלייכן דעם נייעם מעס-טאַמענט מיט די ווערטער פון די נביאים, איז ער געקומען צום פעסטן באַשלוס, אז ישוע אלץ איז דער משיח ישראל, און אז ער איז דעריבענער פאַר וועלכן זיין פאָלק האָט אַזוי לאַנג געוואַרט און געהאַפט. געבעטען האָט ער צו נאָט: "אָ האַר,

פּערדינאַנד עוואַלד איז געבוירן געוואָרן פון אירישע עלטערן אין באַמבערג, דייטשלאַנד. זיינע עלטערן זיינען געווען אַרים, און די ערציהונג וואָס ער האָט ערהאַלטן איז געווען די בעסטע וואָס דאָס לייגע שטעטלע זיינע, וואו ער האָט געוואוינט, האָט אים געקאָנט ליפּרן. אַבער אזאַ אויסגעצייכנטן זכרון האָט ער געהאַט און אזאַ באַזונדערן טאַלאַנט פאַר שפּראַכן האָט ער באַזיגט, אז זיינע פריינדע האָבן אויף זייערע אייגענע קאַסטן איהם און זיין ברודער געשיקט אין אַ בעסערע סקול.

עס האָט זיך אַבער פאַסירט אין אַ געוויסן טאָג, אז ער האָט געפונען אַ ברית חדשה (א נייעם מעסטאַמענט). און האָט איהם אָנגעפאַנגען דורכ-בלעטערן. אַ לעהרער זיינער זעהנדיג איהם מיט דערדאָזיגן בוך אין דער האַנט האָט זיך געפילדערט אויף איהם און געשריען: "דאָס איז פאַר גוים, נישט פאַר אַ אידן!"

דערדאָזיגער געשרי האָט אַבער נאָך מעהר ער-וועקט זיינע נייטערע, און ער האָט גענומען דעם בוך אין זיין ציפער אַרױן כדי בעסער אויסצוגייען פונעם פאַרוואָס אידן טאָרן איהם נישט ליינען, ביזן שפּעט אין דער נאַכט האָט ער זיך פאַרטיפּט און איהם, און ווען ער האָט דעם ספר ענדליך אוועקגעלענט האָט ער נישט געקאָנט שלאָפן. אין דער נאַכט און דורך דעם נאַנען פאַלגענדן טאָג האָבן איהם פאַרשידענע פּראַגן געוועלט, וואָס ער האָט נישט געקאָנט אָפּשאַקלען. אין איהם האָט זיינע געטע געשריען: פאַרוואָס ווערט דערדאָזיגער בוך נישט געלעזן פון זיינע אייגענע אירישע ברודער? טהוט ער נישט רעדן וועגן אידן? זיינען נישט די שרייבער פון ברית חדשה, די שלוחים פון משיח: מתיא, מאַרקוס, פעטרוס, יוחנן, פאַולוס — זיינען זיי נישט אלע אידן? פאַרוואָס זישע ווערט דערדאָזיגער בוך גערופן אַ נוי'יש בוך? באַציהט ער זיך גיט פון פאַרשידענע פּלעצער אויף

זהו אור — סיואל זיין ליכט
"ארוה אשר לא יקים את דברי התורה - הזאת לעשות אותם." ה. ה. פארשאלטען זאל זיין דער, וואָס וועט נישט מקיבזיין די ווערטער פון דויער תורה זיי צו טהון. (דברים כ"ז: 26) זייט איהר אונטער דעם "ארוה?"