IS THE GATE REALLY NARROW?

Or
HOW BROAD IS OUR ARROGANCE?

Matthew 7

- 13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
- 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
- 15 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.
- KJV

for this is the law and the prophets.

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By what authority is Yeshua able to say these things?

- Therefore, Yeshua said this to them: "Yes, indeed! I tell you that the Son cannot do anything on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; whatever the Father does, the Son does too. John 5; 19 CJB
- So Yeshua said, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I AM [who I say I am], and that of myself I do nothing, but say only what the Father has taught me. John 8; 28 CJB
- Yeshua can only do what he has seen the father do or say what the father has spoken.
- I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kinsmen. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I order him. Deuteronomy 18; 18

How can Yeshua say these things?

- Hosea 14; 9 KJV
- 9 Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.
- Hosea 14; 9 CJB
- Let the wise
 understand these
 things, and let the
 discerning know them.
 For the ways of Adonai
 are <u>straight</u>, And the
 righteous walk in them,
 but in them sinners
 stumble.

How does the original read?

- Hosea 14; 9
- מִי חָכָם וְיָבֵן אֵלֶּה, נָבוֹן וְיִדְעֵם: כִּי-**יִשִּׁרִים** דַּרְכֵי יְהוָה, וְצַדִּקִים יֵלְכוּ בָם, וּפִשָּׁעִים, יִכַּשָׁלוּ בַם.
- Hosea 14; 9
- Whoso is wise, let him understand these things, whoso is prudent, let him know them. For the ways of the LORD are <u>right</u>, and the just do walk in them; but transgressors do stumble therein

Don't believe me? What about Strongs?

- Who is wise, H2450 and he shall understand H995 these things? prudent, H995 and he shall know H3045 them? for the ways H1870 of the LORD H3068 are right, H3477 and the just H6662 shall walk H3212 in them: but the transgressors H6586 shall fall H3782 therein.
- 3477 yashar yaw-shawr' from 3474; straight (literally or figuratively):-- convenient, equity, Jasher, just, meet(-est), + pleased well right(-eous), straight, (most) upright(-ly, -ness).

Psalm 19; 8

- 8 The statutes of the Lord are right, [straight] rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.
- פְּקוּדֵי יְהוָה יִ<u>שַׁרִים,</u> מְשַׂמְחֵי-לֵב; מִצְוַת יְהוָה בָּרָה, מְאִירַת עֵינָיִם.

Deuteronomy 6; 18

• וְעָשִּׁיתָ <u>היַשַּׁר</u> וְהַטּוֹב, רְּעֵינֵי יְהוָה--לְמַעַן, יִיטַב לְךְ, וּבָאתָ וְיָרַשְׁתָּ אֶת-הָאָרֶץ הַטֹּבָה, אֲשֶׁר-נִשְׁבַּע יְהוָה לַאֲבֹתֵיךְ. And thou shalt do that which is <u>right</u> [straight] and good in the sight of the LORD; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers,

How was Yeshua able to say these things?

- Leviticus 26; 3 6
- Proverbs 4; 4 and 7; 2
- 1 Kings 6; 12

Yeshua said this because He is also the word

- John 1 King James Version (KJV)
- 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- To say we believe the Bible means we believe Yeshua is the word made flesh and God who is Spirit is also made flesh.
- When we accept Yeshua as our Messiah, our Savior, we accept the word of God.

HOW CAN WE SAY WE LOVE YESHUA BUT NOT LOVE THE TORAH???? If the Torah has been done away with; then Yeshua has been done away with as well.

Yeshua is the word, which is the Torah, both must be the straight gate and the only way to righteousness.

This is not what modern Christians are taught

- Matthew 7; 15
- Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Yeshua
- All you need to do is accept
 Jesus into your heart and
 confess your sins and you
 will be saved. Billy Graham
- If you profess with your mouth that Jesus is the Christ, you will be saved.
 Michael Hurley
- We believe that salvation is found by placing our faith in what Jesus did for us on the cross. Joel Olsteen

Salvation is offered by grace, reward is from merit

- Ephesians 2; 8-10 KJV
- For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
- 9Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained* that we should walk in them.
- James 1; 22But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.
- James 2; 14 What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

- Revelation 20; 11-12
- 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.* 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.**
- ORDA'INED, participle passive Appointed; instituted; established Webster 1828

* Stones Tanach

Jeremiah 33; 25

My covenant with night and day would not be had I not set up the laws of Heaven and Earth.

** Ezekiel 18; 21 and following

If it is enough for you to be least in the kingdom

- Do the least you can in this life or go your own way; do what
 is right in your own eyes.
- Matthew 5; 19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
- You will not be present at the marriage supper of the lamb
- You will not reign for 1000 years with Yeshua on earth
- You will be a servant in the Kingdom forever
- James 2; 17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

So, you want everything the Father wants you to have

- John 10; 10 KJV The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
- John 14; 15 KJV If ye love me, keep my commandments.
- Ephesians 2; 10 KJV 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
- Do the most you can do, live the Torah, learn to hate the things that the Father hates and love what the Father loves.

SUMMARY

- Most of the evangelist you are familiar with only reveal the first step to true salvation. The beginning is believing that God did create the world and send His son to redeem His creation. Unfortunately, that is where most people stop, they never go on to maturity. They only want to drink the milk of love and never want to eat the meat of the Gospel which was once delivered to the saints; living according to the instructions which were given by the Creator. Some make excuses for not obeying the word and they are the false teachers, leading others away from the father. (the starving wolves)
- Do not be fooled, study the Scripture carefully; ask questions and find at least 2 places (witnesses) in the Bible that agree.
- KEEP READING!

Additional references

- Matt. 7; 16, Prov 20; 11, 1 Sam. 24; 13
- Matt. 7; 21 Matt. 5; 19, Mal. 1; 6
- Matt. 7; 22-23 Psalm 6; 8, 119; 115
- Matt. 7; 24 Prov. 10; 8, 25, 12; 7
- www.biblehub.com is a reasonable reference

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- א אַשְׁרֵי תְמִימֵי-דָרֶךְ-- הַהֹּלְכִים, בְּתוֹרַת יְהוָה. 1ALEPH. Happy are they that are upright in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.
 - ב אַשְׁרֵי, נֹצְרֵי עֵדֹתָיו; בְּכָל-לֵב יִדְרְשׁוּהוּ. 2Happy are they that keep His testimonies, that seek Him with the whole heart.
 - ג אַף, לֹא-פָּעֲלוּ עַוְלָה; בִּדְרָכִיו הָלָכוּ. 3Yea, they do no unrighteousness; they walk in His ways.
 - ד אַתָּה, צִוִּיתָה פִקֵּדֶיךְ-- לִשְׁמֹר מְאֹד. 4Thou hast ordained Thy precepts, that we should observe them diligently.
 - ה אַחֲלֵי, יִכּׂנוּ דְרָכִי-- לִשְׁמֹר חֻקֶּיךְ. 50h that my ways were directed to observe Thy statutes!
- ו אָז לֹא-אֵבוֹשׁ-- בְּהַבִּיטִי, אֶל-כָּל-מִצְוֹתֶיךָ. 6Then should I not be ashamed, when I have regard unto all Thy commandments.
 - .ז אוֹדְרָ, בְּישֶׁר לֵבָב-- בְּלָמְדִי, מִשְׁפְּטֵי צִּדְקֶךְ. ז אוֹדְרָ, בְּישֶׁר לֵבָב-- אוֹן 7ו will give thanks unto Thee with uprightness of heart, when I learn Thy righteous ordinances.
 - ח אֶת-חֻקֶּיךָ אֶשְׁמֹר; אַל-תַּעַזְבֵנִי עַד-מְאֹד. 8l will observe Thy statutes; O forsake me not utterly. {P}

Stones Tanach describes Psalm 119 this way

 An alphabetical arrangement – eight verses for each letter – that describes the ceaseless striving to faithfully live a Torah true life regardless of time, place, circumstance or social environment.



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