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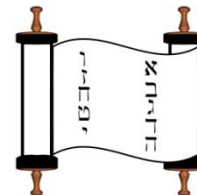
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Was Paul an Apostle?

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Our Moshiach/Messiah

WE WILL ADDRESS THIS QUESTION, FROM THE SCRIPTURE, IN THIS DOCUMENT.

Many people make statements that Apostle Paul was not an Apostle, or that Paul was a false Apostle, false Prophet, etc.

People make statements that Apostle Paul taught that the Law/Torah was *'done away with'*, and faith was all that was necessary for today's *'New Testament believers'*

We have Paul own statements about the **mysteries** that Yahusha made know to him. *In Ephesians 3:3-4 How that by revelation he made known unto me the **mystery**; (as I wrote afore in few words, 3:4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge **in the mystery** of the Messiah)*

Also Apostles Paul statement in 1st Corinthians 4:1 Let a man so account of us, as of the **ministers of the Messiah**, and **stewards** of the **mysteries** of YHWH/Yahuah.

In Collisions 1:26 Even **the mystery** which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

1:27 To whom YHWH would make known what is the riches of the glory of this **mystery** among the Gentiles; which is the Messiah in you, the hope of glory:

Paul understood many Mysteries, because they were revealed to him by revelation from Yahusha.

Most people believe they can just pick up the Scriptures read a little, and think that they will be able to understand everything that they read in the Scriptures. **It will never happen that way!!** Folks I pray that I can help you by telling you what it takes to receive from the Word. **It takes fasting, praying and repenting of each person own sins, before Yahuah will teach them anything.**

Please read how Daniel fasted and prayed unto Yahuah, asking forgiveness for himself AND for Israel, because of them breaking Yahuahs Commandments~ *Daniel 9:3-21*
 Folks many people are **so blinded by sin** they do not even realize the Commandments that they are breaking, especially people of the Western Nations where most of the Israelites were scattered into.

Therefore we would like to address these opposing views of Apostle Paul's epistles, and Show Only what the Scriptures state.

We will begin our study in the book of Acts, and see if these accusations can be proven or disapproved from the Word.

QUALIFICATION TO BE AN APOSTLE:

- Do you know that each Apostle had to qualify for the offices to be an Apostle?
- Do you know that Yahusha chose each disciple **individually?** Yahusha then taught them for **3 years** to qualify them to be His Apostles.
- Do you know the qualifications required to be the Apostle to replace Judas?
- Do you know they are listed in the Word/Scriptures?

The qualification required to be an Apostle are listed in:

Acts 1:21 Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Master Yahusha went in and out among us,

1:22 Beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that He was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of His resurrection.

1:23 And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.

1:24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, YHWH/Yahuah, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen,

1:25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

1:26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

These are the qualifications a man had to meet, to be the Apostle that would be the one to replace Judas. This was the conclusion that the Apostles made, with Peter being the chief spokesman, they cast lots and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was number with the 11 other Apostle.

Next point we would address is about Luke, before we continue about Paul:

The point about Luke that we would like to make is that Luke wrote the Gospel of Luke, and we fully believe Luke also wrote the book of Acts.

Luke was an eye witness to many things that was done in the day of the Apostles, and traveled with Paul and others of his company extensively.

Please look at what Luke wrote in the first chapter of Luke 1:1-3:

Luke 1:1 Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,

1:2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the Word;

1:3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,

This is the only place we find that any man mention as having perfect understand from the very first, and we believe its Luke, and he is writing to Theophilus.

We also believe that Luke is the author of the book of Acts, look what he wrote in Acts 1:1-2 and this letter was addressed to Theophilus.

In Acts 1:1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that **Yahusha** began both to do and teach,

1:2 Until the day in which He was taken up, after that he through the Kadosh Spirit had given Commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

We believe that Luke is the one that is stating this in the book of Acts 1:1, addressing these writings once again to Theophilus, as we believe that Luke wrote in Luke 1:1-3.

We wanted to show the beginning of these two epistles that Luke wrote, before we continue with the point on Apostle Paul being chosen of Yahusha.

Conclusion we believe that Luke traveled and wrote what is now called the Acts of the Apostles, or the Book of Acts.

Because of this next verse in Acts, we must ask was Barnabas an Apostle?

Acts 14:14 Which when the **apostles, Barnabas and Paul**, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

Barnabas traveled extensively with Paul, but later in their ministry there was some contention between Paul and Barnabas, this was because of John Mark.

We believe that Luke wrote Acts, but this is the only Scripture we have found that call them both Apostles. When the plural wordings of Apostles were used in the above verse, we must ask a question, is this translated correctly?

Before Paul's name was changed he was called Saul, we read that Saul's conversion took place on the road to Damascus

Everyone that reads the Scriptures knows these verses, about Shaul's conversion on the road to Damascus. There is some controversy (by a few people) about Paul's recall of these events, we will discuss them now.

Acts 9:3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him **a light from heaven:**

9:4 And he fell to the earth, and **heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul**, why persecutest thou me?

9:5 And he said, Who art thou, master? And He said, **I am Yahusha** whom you persecutest: it is hard for you to kick against the pricks.

9:6 And he trembling and astonished said, Master, what wilt thou have me to do? And **Yahusha** said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and **it shall be told you** what you must do.

9:7 **And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.**

There is a written difference in Acts 9:7 and the next verse of Acts 22:9 I have colored these points in turquoise.

Acts 22:9 **And they that were with me saw indeed the light**, and were afraid; **but they heard not the voice** of him that spake to me.

When we look at Acts 9:7 we see that the men with Paul **heard a voice**, but saw no man. Then we read in Acts 22:9 that the men journeying with Saul **heard not the voice** of him that spoke to me.

This was a recall of events by Paul in Acts 22:9 years later when he was brought before the mob of people at Jerusalem by the chief Captain, and was given permission to speak to the people.

Some people want to say that these different points here in the book of Acts, is cause to say that Paul's statements are not trust worthy. This in no-way discounts Paul as not being an Apostle.

Please remember **Luke (not Paul)** is writing this in Acts many years after that event, many years after Paul was called by Yahusha, and this is being recalled by Apostle Paul before a mob of angry Jews/Yahudim. Acts 21:27-40

Luke is our first eye witness to Paul being an Apostle, he wrote the book of Acts. Now to show several other witnesses that Paul was indeed an Apostle.

Ananias is a witness that **Saul of Tarsus** was called off Yahusha

Ananias was a witness that Yahusha had indeed called Saul as a servant, and for a witness. We would like to show these points in the next few verses.

Acts 9:10 And there was a **certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias;** and **Yahusha** said to him in a vision, **Ananias,** And he said, Behold, I am here, master.

9:11 And Yahusha said unto him, **Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus:** for, behold, he prayeth,

9:12 **And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias** coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

9:13 Then **Ananias answered, Master,** I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

9:14 And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.

9:15 But Yahusha said unto him, **Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles/heathen, and kings, and the children of Israel:**

9:16 **For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.**

9:17 And **Ananias** went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, **Brother Saul,** the **Saviour, even Yahusha,** that appeared unto you in the way as you came, hath sent me, that you might receive your sight, and be filled with the Kadosh Spirit.

Ananias was a servant of Yahusha, and a witness that Saul was called off Yahusha and that Saul was a brother in the faith. (Saul's name was change later on to Paul)

Remember that Luke is the Author of the book of Acts, and Luke is writing what Yahusha said to Ananias, also what Ananias said about Saul.

Barnabas is a witness that Saul was called off Yahusha

Acts 9:26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

9:27 But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he/Saul had seen Yahusha in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Yahusha.

Barnabas was a witness that Yahusha had called Saul and Barnabas witnessed to the rest of the disciples this very point.

Apostles Paul after seeing Yahusha went to Arabia, Paul does not state why he went to Arabia. I personally believe that Yahusha taught Paul for these 3 Years, just as Yahusha taught His other Apostles for 3 Years.

Paul spent time self-examining his own understanding of the First Covenant and this was by the leading of the Kadosh Spirit of Yahuah.

Remember Saul caused the death of many Saints before conversion; also this could have been a time of great remorse, and abasing himself before Yahuah/Yahusha.

Galatians 1:17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

1:18 Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter/Kepha, and abode with him fifteen days.

Apostle Paul was taught by revelation of Yahusha; he did not seek any teaching from the other Apostles, his faith was in Yahusha. Galatians 1:12

Apostle Kepha/Peter is a witness that Paul was a brother in the faith

This is what Apostle Kepha/Peter the chief spokesman for the 12 Apostles had to say about Paul. **This was later on in Peter's life when he wrote the 2nd epistle.**

2nd Kepha/Peter 3:14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

3:15 And account that the longsuffering of our Master is salvation; even as **our beloved brother Paul** also according to **"the wisdom given unto him"** hath written unto you;
 3:16 As also **in all his epistles**, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are **unlearned and unstable** ***wrest**, as they do also the **other scriptures**, unto their **own destruction**. **{greek G4761 'strebloo': to wrench, torture, pervert}**

We have **Apostle Peter/Kepha**, who was the **Chief Apostle**, as **a witness** stating how that Paul was **indeed a brother** in the faith of Yahusha.

Peter also makes a statement about the **many epistles** that Paul had written, and how some things were hard to be understood.

Apostle Peter was ***Warning People*** that had little understanding of the Word, that they could **wrench -torture - pervert Paul's writings** "...as they do also the **Other Scriptures**, unto their own destruction..."

We have received much e-mail from people wanting to discard/throw away/physically-remove what Apostle Paul wrote in all of **his epistles**.

Paul was a chosen vessel of Yahusha and taught by Him, Peter also states **"the wisdom given unto Paul"**. Where did Paul receive this wisdom from? From Yahusha, of course the one that called and anointed Apostle Paul.

Paul was called by Yahusha and I believe he was the replacement for Matthias, because of what Paul states in the next verse.

We read in 1st Corinthians 15:8 **And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. "Notice what Paul said" "as of one born out of due time"**

15:9 For I am the **least of the apostles**, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the Assembly/Ecclesia of Elohim.

15:10 But by the favour of YHWH I am what I am: and his favour which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the favour of YHWH which was with me.

A major point to be an Apostle was one had to **see the Messiah**; this is why Yahusha appeared to Paul, was to **ordain him as an Apostle**.

Yahusha appeared to Paul several times, it was to give Paul a warning or a specific work or task, also it was to make Paul an Apostle. Paul will be seated on one of the 12 thrones Judging the 12 Tribes of Israel during the Millennial Kingdom, next verse.

Matthew 19:28 And Yahusha said unto them, **Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration/time of restoration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.**

Yahusha is speaking to the disciples about the Millennial Kingdom 1000 yr. Reign and the 12 Apostles would be judging the 12 Tribes of Israel. This is the 144,000 fleshly Israelites from all 12 tribes' called the whole house of Israel. Rev. 7:1-8 verses Ezekiel 47-48 chapters

19:29 **And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.**

1. Many people state that Paul taught against the Torah! He did not; not one time
2. Many people state that Paul taught salvation by Grace only! **Wrong, Paul taught Faith, Grace and then Works/and the keeping of Torah** Romans 3:31. Do we then make void the law through **faith**? **By no means: yea, we establish the law. Paul said we are not making the law void by our faith, we are actually establishing the law.**
3. **Paul also taught faith and grace in** Ephesians 2:8 For by favour/grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of YHWH/Yahuah? 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in the Messiah Yahusha unto good works, which YHWH hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
4. **Romans 5:13** For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

This verse is stating if there were no Law/Torah, there would be no sin. In other words if there were no Law today mankind would not be charged with sin, or with breaking Yahuah's Law/Torah. **Ask yourself a question, is this why church folks (false teacher) saying that Apostle Paul's epistles taught against keeping Torah/law?**

Note: Please read our document on Torah and Law at: www.yhrim.com on the Teaching Publications page.

As we can see Paul taught we are saved by faith in Yahusha, but then a new convert was to go the Synagogue and listen to the Torah every Sabbath, that has not changed. Acts 15:21

Note: After conversion you can do “good works” for the kingdom, after you have been taught the Torah/law by Yahuah.

Note: If you try to do any “teaching works” before you learn the Truth of the Word, you will be in error, teaching falsely or even blaspheming the Word.

Many people state that Paul was not an Apostle! They are wrong, the Scriptures are showing several men that witnessed that Apostle Paul was a faithful witness of Yahusha. Peter called Paul a “brother in the faith” as shown in 2nd Peter 3:14-16

Note: Saul was from Tarsus, in Cilicia, in present-day southern Turkey. *(A Greek speaking country, which was where Paul’s Jewish parents lived and where Paul learned the Greek language)*

Apostle Paul wrote many Epistle, this one was to the Ephesians

Because of Apostles Paul epistles to the Ephesians, we know that the Scriptures teach that there is a fivefold ministry in the body of believers, next verse.

Ephesians 4:11 And he gave some, Apostles¹; and some, Prophets²; and some, Evangelists³; and some, Pastors⁴ and Teachers⁵. 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of the Messiah:

If Apostle Paul had not written these 2 verses, we would not have known there was a fivefold ministry.

This work is for the edification of His body, Yahusha’s Spiritual body of believers who are in all nations of the Earth.

We thank Yahuah for Apostles Paul 14 epistles, and his obedience to the calling that Yahusha placed upon him. Paul fulfilled that calling even unto death, to glorify Yahuah and Yahusha.

Please understand that what Apostle Paul wrote in his epistles was by Revelation from Yahusha. Yahusha revealed His Word the hidden mysteries to Apostle Paul please read Eph. 3:1-5.

Paul was an Apostle, and of what he wrote some is still hidden in mysteries, until the time Yahuah by His Kodesh Spirit reveals them to us.

Apostle Paul tied many points together in all of his writing about the resurrection, the judgment, the type of bodies we will have next verses.

2nd Corinthians 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of Elohim, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

5:2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:

5:3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.

5:4 For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

This was a mystery until Apostle Paul explains that our body liken unto His body is being prepared for us in Heaven. Our new body Yahusha will give to us at the resurrection and when we have been given Immortality, at the Judgment seat of Yahusha. **(Many will be judge and found not worthy of eternal life, 5 foolish virgins and others) For more information on this point read our document on # 1. Born Again. # 2. Judgment seat of Yahusha at www.yhrim.com**

To continue Apostle Paul's warning about men false teachers and false Apostles, transforming themselves to look like they are true ministers, when in fact they are the devils ministers being used to deceive the people. 2nd Corinthians 11:13

Apostle Paul wrote many things about the Judgment Romans 2:16 In the Yom (day) when Yahuah shall judge the secrets of men by Yahusha ha Moshiach/the Messiah according to my Besorah/gospel.

Apostle Paul wrote that People will be judged according to the gospel that he Paul wrote, along with ALL of the other Scriptures. *(If it had not been for Paul we would not know about the First resurrection and the first judgment, Romans 2:16 and what he wrote in the next verses listed below)*

Here are just a few verses that Apostle Paul wrote about the Judgment seat of Yahusha our Messiah. Romans 14:10, 1st Corinthians 3:10-17, 2nd Corinthians 5:10 that witness with Hebrews 6:2 and Heb. 9:27, and was a witness to what Luke wrote in Acts 17:31. Paul covers many subjects in his epistles that are linked with other writings, so we have a better understanding of these subjects.

Saul's name was changed to Paul on his first missionary journey, by "Sergius Paulus" on the island of Cyprus. This was when Paul met Elymas the sorcerer, and Paul spoke blindness on Elymas for a season, as Elymas was deceiving the people.

We could go on and on and make a book about all that Apostle Paul wrote, but this is more than enough to show those that want to know the truth, that Paul was a True Apostle of Yahuah, and was Sent by Yahusha Our Messiah.

One additional comment: **My family and I have never lived near any goat's farms until we bought a few acres next to a man that had a goat farm. We have a barb wire fence with 4 strands of wire about 10 to 12 inches between each strand. The goats came through our fence as if it was not there.**

The Torah is like a fence, it is to keep Yahuah people (sheep) from wandering into the wrong pasture (doctrines of men). The goats (people) do not stay inside their fence pasture (the Torah). So they go through the fence (breaking Torah) as though it not there, because of false teacher saying that the Torah/law is done away with. Selah pause and think about it

Note: This is why Yahusha uses sheep and goat, in His analogy of people in Matthew 25:31-46?

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