

To our visitors:

*The following was sent by us to the website “reasons.org” because we felt that their “Statement of Belief” although traditionally Christian, fails when it is compared to the principle truths found in the Hebrew Bible that Yahshua (Jesus) used and taught from. Because “Reasons to Believe” promotes “reasons” it is our opinion that the “reasons” to believe should not just cover the sciences (Yahweh’s Natural Revelation) but should also use correct theology as provided to Yahweh inspired prophets of the Hebrew Bible (Yahweh’s Special Revelation).*

*With that in mind, we provided “reasons” with an alternate “Statement of Belief” so that they could compare what we have provided, to what they are promoting on their web site. Their letter of response to us can be read below our suggested “Alternate Statement of Belief.”*

A.O.Y., Cascade

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Letter to “Reasons.org”

Oct. 1, 2017

To whom it may be *of value*.

Several weeks ago, some of my friends attended one of your seminars in Oregon and were quite impressed, as to the “Scientific evidence” you provided for the existence of intelligent design and the evidence in Science for the existence of a Creator. We of the Assembly of Yahweh, Cascade agree that the “Special Revelation” found in the Bible must agree with the “General Scientific revelation” found in nature since both originate from the same Almighty Sovereign Creator. I was asked by them for my opinion of the information on your site, and began with your published Mission Statement, found on “reasons.org.”

*“RTB’s mission is to spread the Christian Gospel by demonstrating that sound reason and scientific research—including the very latest discoveries—consistently support, rather than erode, confidence in the truth of the Bible and faith in the personal, transcendent God revealed in both Scripture and nature.”*

However, when I began to review the information on your “Beliefs” I became frustrated almost immediately by what struck to me to be only a naïve “traditional” but a false Statement of your religious Belief. For a website that attempts to provide “reasons” for belief, you have lost most of your credibility (in my opinion) in your Statement of Beliefs when to promote “beliefs” that have absolutely no scientific and very little Biblical evidence for their support.

You may have very good “scientific opinions” and “reasons for them” and I support most, but your religious opinions simply follow what has become basic Constantine-Roman-Catholic-Pauline Christianity that falls flat. These beliefs most often deviates with what “Yahshua” (Jesus) actually taught in the Synoptic Gospels using ONLY the Hebrew (Tan’akh) as the foundation for his belief and teaching. Yes, I do know and realize that what you have written as your religious

belief does follow many “Christian” held doctrines, and some have over time become somewhat of a “standard” but you have not given much thought if these statements are actually true and supported “Biblically” or if they follow what is actually taught in the Bible that Yahshua (Jesus) used, the Hebrew Bible.

I have prepared and assembled for you an alternate “Statement” of Belief that does follow the Bible that Yahshua used. Please compare it with what you have placed on your site, and when doing so, please use “sound reason” and Biblical research so you can provide a credible reasonable “Statement.”

This is presented to you out of “love” and is not intended to condemn your efforts, but to correct, and voice an opinion.

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## **Suggested Alternate Statement of Belief**

### **The Revealed word**

By excluding Esther and Job, there are now 37 “reasonable books (of the Hebrew Bible), and three Synoptic Gospels along with the book of James of the Greek writings that contain some inspired words of Yahweh to men. However, both resources also contain within their pages, the uninspired words of men. We really do not know how many Bible books there are, or where, only that these remain in common use. We do know, that there are no original writings of any of the sources we have, so it is not possible to say or imply that the Hebrew Bible we have today or any of the Greek writings of the so-called New Testament are historically correct, are complete, are scientifically correct, are morally or spiritually correct, or without error, because they are not.

To use the phrase “in their original writings” as a cover-all is fraudulent because of the fact that no original writings are known to exist to compare with what we do have available. However, the Hebrew Bible (by what we do have available) does reveal the Life-Force Essence, the nature, and the character of the Almighty Sovereign Creator Power Life-Force Essence, and the Original-Originator of all that has existed, exists, and will ever exist. So we do have everything of importance provided for us. Also the sayings recorded by the prophet Yahshua (aka Jesus) in the Greek writings and a few of his apostles also do have merit since they often compliment the principles first established in the Hebrew Bible (Tan’akh). Together these documents form the final authority for a righteous life in conformance with the will of the Almighty, and are the key for obtaining eternal life. They can also form the foundation for a solid and “reasonable” belief.

## Creation

The entire Universe with the natural sciences demonstrates the evidence for the existence of a Creator Essence who is in complete control of its design and the purpose for all of it. The Sciences (the Almighty's Natural Revelation) and the written inspired words as recorded by the prophets in the Hebrew Bible (the Almighty's Special Revelation) both declare His existence and provides us with reliable evidence of the Almighty's character, of His divine eternal purpose, of His wisdom, His power, and of His glory. Properly translated and culturally understood, the Almighty's words (His Special Revelation) through the prophets, and the Almighty's Scientific record (His Natural Revelation) through the evidence of the material Universe both originate from the same Almighty Sovereign Creator Power, therefore they can not contradict each other.

## The Almighty Sovereign

The Almighty of the Hebrew Bible is named **YHWH** not God. The Hebrew name YHWH means He-Is or He-Exists. Yahweh (the English transliteration of His name) is the One Almighty Sovereign Creator Power Life-Force Essence, the 'Original-Originator' and the Ever-Living. Yahweh is without a beginning and without an ending. He always was and ever will be. Yahweh is a non-physical Life-Force Essence that fills the entire created Universe, sustaining and directing it using His created Alueim the celestial/terrestrial beings (angels). The Alueim and through the words of His chosen inspired prophets Yahweh as Sovereign maintains everything according to His eternal will, and plan. Isaiah 45:6-7. There are NO such created beings as "fallen" angels (celestial messenger), angels as spirits do not die and cannot sin. Psalms 103:19-21; 148: 2, Luke 20:35, 36. Yahweh acts and achieves all things by His Life-Force Essence through the angels, Psalms 104:4. No celestial messenger has ever challenged their Almighty Sovereign Creator (to believe this is false doctrine).

## The prophet named Yahshua (Jesus)

The Jesus of the Greek writings (NT) was a prophet and was given the Hebrew name Yahshua. The name YaH-shua means YHWH-saves. Therefore, the name of the messiah Yahshua (not Jesus) also confirms his mission. According to the NT writings, Yahshua was sent only to the Lost Tribes of the house of Israel, Matt. 10:5-6, 15:24. Yahshua was called 'the son of Yahweh' by some of his followers, but he always called himself 'the son of man.' His evangel (gospel message) was all about 'the coming of the 'Kingdom of YHWH/of Heaven,' (Matt. 4:2, 10:7) that the Kingdom had come, was at hand, and can now dwell within believers, Luke 17:21. Yahshua was executed because of his faithfulness. His message was also preached by his apostles and was then delivered to every creature under heaven and to all the Lost Tribes of Israel (according to Paul/Saul in Col. 1:23). Yahshua was never a human sacrifice for sin. Such pagan acts are forbidden by Yahweh, and condemned in the Hebrew Bible. Psalm 106 38-41; Jer. 7:31.

## Holy Spirit

The so-called Holy Spirit is NOT the third Person of a pagan Trinity. Yahweh Himself is a non-physical Life-Force Essence that fills the entire created Universe, sustaining and directing it. Since Yahweh is the Life-Force Essence and He also provides "Holy Spirit" (Holy Breath). There is none other besides Yahweh, Isaiah 43:10-12.

## **Mankind**

Adam-man was Created in the image (the pattern, or shadow of the Alueim) the celestial messengers, the powers, and in their likeness (having rational, moral, relational, and spiritual capacities) to fellowship with Yahweh and to give Him and only Him the glory. Adam-man was not created in the image of Yahweh since Yahweh is not comparable, is Essence, and not physical. Adam-man is one of the jewels of Yahweh's creation and special, having been given a portion of His Life-Force Essence within believers and thus given the ability to become moral, by having received the gift of freedom of choice. Each can choose Yahweh's fellowship, become faithful before Him, and thereby dwell with their Maker/Creator and Redeemer, for life everlasting in all eternity.

## **Redemption/Salvation**

As evident throughout the Tan'akh, (the Hebrew Bible) Yahweh has always provided the means for redemption through sincere repentance to bring back wayward Israelites and sinners to Him when they become separated from Him through disobedience. Yahweh has never required sacrifices of animals, food, or any other man-made objects or methods for them to obtain forgiveness or to seek favors from Him for their violations. Jer. 7:22-23; 31. Micah 6: 6-8.

By His grace, Yahweh acquits an individual of all sin and accepts that individual as righteous in His sight by sincere repentance, a return to faithfulness, and toward the keeping the renewed covenant (10 Commandments), Ecc. 12:13-14; Matt. 7:21; 12:50; Matt. 19:17.

## **The Assembly**

The Assembly (or Church) - The Assembly is a community used for praise and to learn of YHWH's counsel. By understanding it each believer can support others through the continuous development and use of their Yahweh-given gifts and talents.

**Righteous life:** A portion of Yahweh's Life-Force Essence will come to dwell within all believers who then become True Israelites by repentance, accepting and then keeping Yahweh's renewed Covenant. The Life-Force Essence from Yahweh within each will guide them into all truth and towards living a righteous life. Becoming a True Covenant Israelite does not mean each is now perfect. All will continue to mature and ask Yahweh for strength and direction; for counsel; for help to keep His covenant and to ask for His forgiveness when they fail. As members of Yahweh's earthly house-hold each must strive for a continued faithful relationship with their Heavenly Father that will continue to grow. At the end of this life on earth each can then look forward to be with Him, have eternal life, and remain forever faithful members of His heavenly house-hold. We will see a glorious eternal life, dwelling in the far reaches and in the endless vastness of Yahweh's eternity, to dwell in His majestic Universe; to partake in His plan for us in His eternal Kingdom, and to join with the innumerable hosts in His endless Universal house-hold. Because of this we shout -

'Aw-mane'

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**The letter of response to us from Reasons.org follows:**

**Oct. 4, 2017**

Good Afternoon, Mr. William,

In response to your previous email about our statement of faith, we sent your message to our scholar community and they responded. Here is their response:

"We are grateful that you found much to agree with, and even to learn from, at the seminar in Oregon. That is part of our mission: to help educate believers in the coherence between science and faith.

As a Messianic Jew, and a lay RTB apologist, I'd like to make a brief comment on your analysis of RTB's statement of faith.

There are many shades of believers in Jesus and we use many languages and come from many different backgrounds. As a Jew, I, too, do not feel completely comfortable with the typical Christian (English language) way of expressing the faith. In particular, I am uncomfortable with how typical Christian statements of faith (including RTB's) leave out the important fact of Jesus being the son of David, a son of Judah, son of Jacob according to the flesh--and is thereby intimately connected to the people of Israel for all time.

But the important point is that the leadership of RTB, and all of its apologists that I am familiar with, are faithful and true followers of Jesus and seek in very real and active ways to serve him and the people that God has called them to. We all express our deeply held beliefs somewhat differently, but I am honored and grateful to comply with RTB's statement of faith, and to serve with the honorable and faithful people in this organization. I do not view the statement as being "in error," I merely recognize that my views encompass a larger, more nuanced view of the connection of Jesus to the Jewish people.

A statement of faith serves to underline the basics. I understand the history of the use of language that has come down throughout the centuries of the Christian church, and I can agree with the essence of what RTB's statement is saying. I understand that, though the Bible is without error in its original writings, (all of) our human interpretations of the scriptures are never going to be completely without error because they are human.

You obviously feel that there is great value to the scientific contributions that RTB makes, and is continuing to lead within the Christian realm. My suggestion is that you overlook your differences with the statement of faith, recognize that these are true and honorable followers of Jesus, and send people our way who would benefit from RTB's unique and valuable insights into today's world."

Blessings in Christ,

The Correspondence Team