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This is the Holy name of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of Israel. We believe in honouring this sacred name. Substituting the name with the general term “Lord”, in our thinking, dishonours it. Therefore, to honour our God, we speak His Name aloud with reverence and respect. Thus, we YeHoVaH³ consistently, rather than Lord, throughout this book.

³ For more information about YeHoVaH please see the appendix.

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INTRODUCTION

1 Corinthians 1:19-20

“For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?”

It was worship time in this small country church. As the music began to fill the sanctuary and male and female voices saturated the air, it was not too long before I knew that it was time to worship with banners. Around me were other banner worshippers, and so, to join with them, I carried my supply of colourful banners off to the banner section designated for such worshippers. With the banners now easily accessible, I, as well as other worshippers, began to draw out whatever banners necessary to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

As I began to worship, within seconds, the pleasure of God came upon me, and before I knew it, my feet moved in fluent dance steps with the flowing banners waving graciously from my hands. Every fiber of my being rejoiced in the heavenly connection between my

Saviour and me, thus, my whole being moved in majestic, Davidic style worship⁴ throughout that praise and worship service.

When the music ended, all the banner bearers returned to their seat. On this particular day, however, after the service, I learned that our banner bearing, which we knew was part of the moving of the heavens on that day, actually, offended some people. In fact, this marvellous experience of banner and dance before our God, earned each banner bearer, including myself, *their apparent ringleader*, a classification of annoying distractors.

Unfortunately, many in that congregation considered banner bearers as a distracting influence, and that day they went as far as accusing those who worshipped with banners as disrupting show-offs. Their greatest complaint, however, came against the worshippers using billows⁵. Instead of

⁴ Banner bearers, who operate in Davidic Worship, often move in dance, however, this aspect of worship is not addressed in this book, other than its mention here and in the conclusion.

⁵ A billow is a long narrow banner, usually between 9 and 12 feet. It is used by two or more people who bow up and

recognizing the worshippers as moving in accordance with the Spirit's leading, they accused them of "doing their exercise", rather than worshipping God. Those observers that day never understood banners, and grumbled against the worshippers, as well as their pastor, who allowed such things during worship time. On that particular day, however, when it seemed like the very heavens opened and God invaded the sanctuary, afterwards, there arose a great noise about their discontent.

That mighty presence of God, which descended in a marvellous way, rewarded the obedience of worshippers, *including banner bearers*. Yet, the complainers, unfortunately, neither entered into the depths of the worship presented to them, nor acknowledged the ones who God used to add to that worship, making it a powerful experience.

Unfortunately, those opponents of banner use overlooked a God ordained connection between the Holy Spirit and His lead to the entire worship team, which included guidance to the banner bearers. Few, actually, thought to link

down to work the billow. They are Biblical, which you will learn about later!

the banner bearers with the Holy Spirit,⁶ and their part in “extoling the King of Kings that rides upon the heavens as spoken of in the Word of God:

Psalm 68:3-4

But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. 4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

Unfortunately, this true story ends in a rather sad note, for in time, that congregation, which split in two camps over the use of banners, later split in two, over other things, *one being the pastor*. Their actions, which resulted in a disunited and broken church, destroyed the assembling together of believers in that place. Eventually, as time went on and things never improved, God removed from that place pastor, banners and banner bearers.

This true story shows that it is a heartbreaking thing when worshippers, for whatever reason,

⁶ Unfortunately, for whatever reasons, scriptural teaching on banners never came to this congregation! They never welcomed it, nor searched the scriptures for themselves.

do not grasp the various aspects of the worship tools designed by God to glorify His name. Those with an untrained spiritual eye and undiscerning mind, on that day, perceived the banner aspect of worship as a problem. Some even declared their use as *not of God*. Those speaking out against what God ordained, calling it ungodly, put themselves in a dangerous place. Their words, which spoke against the truth put them in a category of a lying tongue, which troubled many and put the church in discord.

Proverbs 6:16-19

16 These six *things* doth YeHoVaH hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination unto him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, 18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 19 A false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

Unfortunately, at the point of their offence, those who declared banners ungodly failed to grasp that through their words and actions against banners, they became *a false witness in God's eyes*, as scripture clearly states that

banners are given by God⁷. The end of such endeavours, as the scripture in Proverbs 6:19 declared, sows discord among the brethren.

No believer wants to be found in any form of disagreement with God!

So, to help others embrace an understanding of banners, it is important that both banner bearers and other worshippers align their understanding of banners with the scriptures, recognizing the origin of banners, and following that, God's ordained use. Knowing such gives confidence to the banner bearer, and at the same time, broadens the biblical education of those offended by the use of banners, giving them opportunity to learn the truth. In this way, banners receive recognition as more than a piece of fabric on a pole, waving in the wind.

So dear reader, whether or not you use banners, as we look at banners in God's Word, we will draw near to God to understand *one important aspect of God ordained worship, namely banners*. Throughout this time together, we will

⁷ Psalm 60:4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah.

read scriptures, which identify the origin and purpose of banners, as well as the importance of banners to God and to man.

With a biblical explanation of banners, you'll understand how to embrace the hidden beauty of the banner, as well as the awesome information God presents in it. If you do not use banners yourself, at least you will understand their importance to God. Indeed, a banner biblically received and used, becomes a powerful tool with great significance, expressing dynamic messages, which blesses both God and man. Thus, its understanding is paramount, and in studying them, you will discover why they fall in the category of things, which God uses, that confound the wise:

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; 28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, [yea], and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: 29 That no flesh should glory in his presence.

With this being the case, is it not better to unravel the message that banners carry? Is it not a good thing to learn *the why and how* of their use before God? When we know these things, we will see that banners carry enough honour to have great regard, especially, considering their place in *the bigger picture of worship!*

If you are ready for the mystery of banners to unfold before you, then settle it within yourself to discover as much as you can about them. Use this study as a place to begin, but please don't stop there! Consider obtaining some banners and with the Holy Spirit's direction, learn to use them! Allow the use of them to open a door to a joy in worship that is beautiful and unforgettable! So, now, if you're ready, together, let us delve into the true biblical meaning of banners and learn why it is that King David said:

**“In the Name of YeHoVaH
we set up our banners!”**

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