

# WOC INTERNATIONAL

## 2020 New Moon 6 - Aug 21, 2020

### Rosh Chodesh Elul (5780)

- Review - For those new to the faith or unfamiliar with the biblical concept of New Moon**
- What are the 4 hindering devices Satan uses to block us from destiny & performing our duties?**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Month (Iyar) - He uses the emotional giants of fear, regret, and guilt**
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Month (Sivan) - He uses the thief, stalker, and actor thoughts foxes**
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Month (Tammuz) - He uses passive idolatry's covetousness, greed, & meditating on sin**
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Month (Av) - He uses false narratives of seemingly "convincing" events**

#### Introduction

**Theme for 6<sup>th</sup> month of Av - "False narratives spawn pseudo realities"**

**Pseudo Reality - An "apparent" reality that's a delusion borne of deception via misdirection**

**Delusion - A fixed, false belief held on to despite irrefutable evidence to the contrary**

**Deception - Act of causing someone to accept as true or valid something false or invalid**

**Misdirection - Act of convincing someone to concentrate in an incorrect direction**

**Satan used a false narrative on Eve to spawn a pseudo reality that seduced her to sin**

*2 Cor 11:3 "and I fear that somehow your minds may be seduced away from simple and pure devotion to the Messiah, just as Havah was deceived by the serpent and his craftiness." CJB*

**What was the false narrative and specific pseudo reality?**

#### Lesson - What should we already know about the 6<sup>th</sup> month of Elul?

**Elul is the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the summer (Tammuz, Av, Elul) and corresponds to the tribe of Gad**

**Gad was the 7<sup>th</sup> son (Zilpah's 1<sup>st</sup>), situated S with Re'uven' & Shim'on to march second**

**What should we realize about Gad as Ya'akov's 7<sup>th</sup> son & 1<sup>st</sup> son with Zilpah?**

**He had to MAKE himself part of the family; as he would not have naturally been included**

**But he chose to OBEY Yahweh in a mighty way, which led to him receiving the best land**

*Deut 33:20, 21 "Of Gad he said: "Blessed is he who makes Gad so large; he lies there like a lion, tearing arm and scalp. 21 He chose the best for himself when the princely portion was assigned. When the leaders of the people came, he carried out Adonai's justice and his rulings concerning Isra'el." CJB*

**But the pseudo-realities of Gad's personal religion led them into captivity with the rest**

*1 Chron 5:25 "But they broke faith with the God of their ancestors and prostituted themselves to the gods of the peoples of the land, whom God had destroyed ahead of them." CJB*

#### Notes

**Why is it imperative I comprehend the connection between Elul and pseudo-realities?**

**Elul is the month to prepare for relational \_\_\_\_\_ & affirmation with my Father next month**

**Its 4 letters [aleph-lamed-vav-lamed] are 1<sup>st</sup> letters of the words [Ani l'dodi v'dodi lee]**

**Which is, "I am to my Beloved and my Beloved is to me" (Song of Songs 6:3)**

**Satan's goal - Keep me \_\_\_\_\_ this month so that won't examine myself**

**And won't repent of my sins or forgive others of their sins to be ready for it**

**Notes****What 5 pseudo-realities interfere with my soul searching and repenting this Elul?**

**Pseudo-Reality 1 - I should be a good \_\_\_\_\_ of this world 1<sup>st</sup> & member of the Kingdom 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Biblical Reality - I am NOT a citizen of this world at all; I must be set apart from it**

**Why is this deceitful? - Elevates nationalism over Kingdom Communityism**

*Dan 7:14 "To him was given rulership, glory and a kingdom, so that all peoples, nations and languages should serve him. His rulership is an eternal rulership that will not pass away; and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed." CJB*

**Nationalism focuses my attention on my nation's interests to the detriment of other's**

*Col 1:12-13 "giving thanks to the Father for having made you fit to share in the inheritance of his people in the light. 13 He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son." CJB*

**Communityism focuses mine on Kingdom Community and reconciling with brethren**

*John 17:15-17 "I don't ask you to take them out of the world, but to protect them from the Evil One. 16 They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 17 Set them apart for holiness by means of the truth – your word is truth." CJB*

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**Pseudo-Reality 2 - I should choose the "\_\_\_\_\_ of evils" whenever I can**

**Why is this deceitful? - Makes certain sins less sinful than others (e.g. abortion vs ruthlessness)**

*Rom 1:29-32*

**Biblical Reality - All sin leads to death and must be reprov'd: regardless to who commits it**

**Notes**

**Pseudo-Reality 3 - I have time to get "on fire" for Him****Biblical Reality - The lukewarm will be cast into Jacob's trouble to get set on fire for Yeshua**

Rev 3:15-16 "I know what you are doing: you are neither cold nor hot. How I wish you were either one or the other! 16 So, because you are lukewarm, neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of my mouth!" CJB

**Notes****Pseudo-Reality 4 - I should always expect a financial \_\_\_\_\_ on my financial giving**

Luke 6:38 "Give, and you will receive gifts – the full measure, compacted, shaken together and overflowing, will be put right in your lap. For the measure with which you measure out will be used to measure back to you!"

**Verse is about loving & lending (vs 35), compassion (vs 36), not judging & forgiving (vs 37)**

Luke 6:31 "Treat other people as you would like them to treat you." CJB

**Biblical Reality - My return is based on my \_\_\_\_\_ of others; not my \$\$\$ giving****Notes****Pseudo-Reality 5 - Believing in Yeshua gains me entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven****Biblical Reality - Only does if that believing translates into an obedience to Him as Adonai**

Matt 7:21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, only those who do what my Father in heaven wants." CJB

**Notes****What 3 Kingdom truths enhance my soul searching and repenting this Elul?****Truth 1 - Elul is similar to the Aramaic root verb for "search," which means I should expect to**

**Intensively and honestly \_\_\_\_\_ myself and my relationship with my God this month**

**So that I can forsake my own purposes and realign with His**

**Return to the path He put me on, re-enter His \_\_\_\_\_, & be positively changed again**

**By confessing my transgression, letting Him uncover my sin, and HEAL me from my guilt**

Ps 32:5-6 "When I acknowledged my sin to you, when I stopped concealing my guilt, and said, 'I will confess my offenses to Adonai'; then you, you forgave the guilt of my sin. (Selah) 6 This is what everyone faithful should pray at a time when you can be found. Then, when the floodwaters are raging, they will not reach to him." CJB

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**Truth 2 - Gad being the 7<sup>th</sup> son & son of a hand maid reaffirms that I cannot keep living a life of Not fulfilling God's creative intents (purposes) & predetermined creative functions (callings)**  
**Time to do what I was created to do; stop making excuses, giving reasons & compromising**  
**Being angry when others \_\_\_\_\_ with what they call "my version" of reality**

**Truth 3 - Gad choosing not to take the center or fertile Mediterranean coast as his inheritance**  
**Reminds me, even though he chose lands good for herding cattle that were subject to invasion**  
**I need to hold onto my \_\_\_\_\_ like they did (the blessing), until I prevail as well**

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## Conclusion

**What do I take home from this lesson tonight?**

**1<sup>st</sup> - Like Gad, I can't run from this upcoming ET battle; I must trust in Him for ultimate victory**  
**I must keep \_\_\_\_\_ as Gad did until my brethren find their place as they did**

*Num 32:18 "However, we will not return to our own homes until every man in Isra'el has taken possession of his land for inheritance." CJB*

**2<sup>nd</sup> - Elul is my Father's gift to get me ready for next month's presentation**

**As my holy Father is expecting a holy daughter & my King is coming soon for His holy bride**  
**I must let the Spirit sanctify me so that this holy bride will be ME!**

*Eph 5:25-28 "As for husbands, love your wives, just as the Messiah loved the Messianic Community, indeed, gave himself up on its behalf, 26 in order to set it apart for God, making it clean through immersion in the mikveh, so to speak, 27 in order to present the Messianic Community to himself as a bride to be proud of, without a spot, wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without defect." CJB*

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