The Stories Embedded in the BHC Logo



The Hebrew words below are read from right to left with the Earth between them and their translation below.

בשקיפות BeSheQIYFUT clearness / transparency



יושר YOShER straight / honest

Honesty Through Transparency

It is our conclusion, after over three decades of research, that <u>honesty</u> and <u>transparency</u> are directly related – "the greater the transparency; the higher the honesty."

<u>**Transparency**</u> and <u>the accuracy of information</u> are also related – "the more accurate the information; the greater the degree of transparency."

Accurate Information Increases Transparency, Elevates Honesty and Strengthens Trust in Relationships.

That is Why We Explore Our Biblical Heritages!



The <u>Olive Wreath</u> was the prize for the winner at the ancient Olympic Games. It was a branch of the wild olive tree intertwined to form a circle or a horse-shoe and placed on the winner's head.¹ Instead of competing in an athletic game <u>Explorers of Biblical Heritages are acting</u> <u>together to increase the number of acts that measure TOV</u>. Every act of TOV is a victory for the individual, the team and life on Earth!

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The Hebrew word "**TOV**" written in *cursive*. "**TOV**" is <u>the standard the Creator used</u> to measure his actions in the *First Story* in the *Book of Genesis*. "**TOV**" is translated "**good**" but it means much more. Acts that are **TOV** protect or preserve lives, make lives more functional, increase the quality of life and increase order in the world.



A dove with an olive branch is a symbol of peace and deliverance. In the story of Noah, a dove returned to the Arc with a freshly plucked olive leaf. For Christians, it reminds them of the Spirit descending upon Yeshua (Jesus) like a dove after his baptism. For Greeks over five centuries before Yeshua (about the same time Ezra the Scribe copied the first Torah scroll), stories of Irene, the Greek goddess of peace, said she was very fond of the olive.² Peace has been – and still is -- valued by all cultures. The highest level of peace is "<u>SHALOM</u>" and that is the ultimate goal of Explorers of Biblical Heritages.



This is a symbol found on ancient cuneiform tablets, *the oldest written texts in existence*. It is a Sumerian symbol for "**god**," but it may also mean "**sky** or **heaven**." ³ Over 5,000 years ago people associated their gods with the sky and heaven.



This is the symbol for DNA (*deoxyribonucleic acid*), a molecule composed of two polynucleotide chains that coil around each other to form a double helix. It carries genetic instructions (written in a four letter chemical alphabet) for <u>the development, functioning, growth and reproduction of all known organisms and many viruses</u>.⁴ This is a "living text" with instructions for creating over 3 million species. The oldest human DNA discovered was found in <u>800,000-year-old tooth</u> – that's a very old text!



This <u>Menorah</u> represents the one that was used at the Second Temple in Jerusalem and it *symbolizes the most ancient forms of Judaism*. Temples are the central institution in the earliest stories of Judaism. The <u>Star of David</u> *symbolizes modern Rabbinic Judaism*, the templeless religion that emerged from the destruction of the Second Temple by Roman soldiers.



The "<u>fish</u>" is a symbol of the earliest forms of Christianity – *beginning with* <u>Yeshua</u> and his *Jewish Movement*. The "<u>Cross</u>" is a symbol from <u>Gentile forms of Christianity</u> that began with the creation of the <u>Roman Catholic Church</u> in the 4th century and was modified by Martin Luther in the 16th century to create <u>Protestantism</u>.



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Exploring Biblical Heritages Instead of Defending Unexamined Realities

Above are the foundational stories of our biblical heritages and most of the information that has been provided about them is not very accurate. <u>Exploring Biblical Heritages</u> is a much better option than <u>Defending Unexamined Realities Created from Inaccurate Information</u>.

¹ <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olive_wreath</u>

² https://www.thegreatpeacemakers.com/dove-and-the-olive-branch.html

³ <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dingir</u>

⁴ <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/DNA</u>