## "House of Yahweh" Deceptions

I began to hear of Yisrael Hawkins and his unscriptural teachings (House of Yahweh in Abilene, TX) several years ago, probably around 1990. I came in contact with some of his ex-followers around Cisco, TX, who had been disfellowshipped for pointing out discrepancies between his teachings and the Scriptures. He would not permit family members who stayed, to associate with those who left or were put out. This caused great grief and pain to parents and grandparents who could not see or visit their children and grandchildren.

I also learned that Yisrael (whose birth name is Buffalo Bill Hawkins) and his brother, Jacob, were the Two Witnesses of Revelation 11, according to Buffalo Bill. Even after his brother Jacob died, BB wrote a long booklet in which he tried to make the case that they were, indeed, the Two Witnesses, and that Jacob had fulfilled his mission.

(Excuse me, Bill, but now that Jacob is dead, will he rise for the occasion, then be killed, and after 3-1/2 days rise again? (Rev. 11:3-12)

Here are excerpts from Jacob's letter about his brother. It was written 8-4-86:

"I am sorry that you folks found out the hard way about that thing in Abilene .That whole thing up there has been a deception from the very beginning. I wrote you over two years ago and explained how Bill right after he was ordained set in to take over the House of Yahweh and pull everything and everyone up to Abilene...I am also sending you the booklet on the doctrines of the House of Yahweh, as I understand that Bill teaches contrary to most of the doctrines of the House of Yahweh. He also is all messed up on prophecy. About him teaching or saying that he and I are the two witnesses, no one at this time knows who the two witnesses are. They will be two men from the House of Yahweh, but Yahweh has not revealed who they are, and you can be assured that they will not be teaching what is taught in Abilene.

The House of Yahweh in Odessa (ed–TX.) had its beginning in Nazareth, Israel in 1975, long before Bill came into it, and while he was a member of the Worldwide Church of God in Abilene. As the House of Yahweh is an Israeli institution, we did not have to take out organization papers in this country. And as long as we are recorded with the city and county, this is all we have to do. As to "mountain" in Micah 4:1, meaning a nation, this is pure deception. Micah 4:1 tells us where the House of Yahweh would be established, the mountains of Israel, as is shown in the parable in Ezekiel 17:22,24. The House of Yahweh will be exalted in its location above all the other mountains and hills in Israel. This will be when it returns to Jerusalem. Mountains and hills sometimes imply religious sects. You can be sure it does not imply any nation.

I was very sorry to hear that Bill says Yeshua lied in his parables. Yeshua never at any time ever told a lie to anyone, nor about anything. We are forbidden to lie. Yeshua said let your yea be yea and your nay be nay, and anything more than this comes from the evil one, satan, Mat. 5:37. He also said in Rev. 21:8 that all liars will have their part in the lake of fire. Bill needs much prayer to keep from being lost. You can be sure that the House of Yahweh does not teach people to lie, cheat, steal, or any such evil. I knew that when Bill pulled off from the House of Yahweh, that this would take place. That in Abilene is not The House of Yahweh....

You ask was Bill to carry on this work in Abilene. Yes, he was. But he did not. He deceived me into thinking he would. I have all the letters he wrote against this work here after he was ordained by O.... E....and me. He was ordained for that purpose, to be a Minister for the House of Yahweh in Odessa, not in Abilene. Sister N...., that whole thing in Abilene was wrong from almost the start." [End of letter excerpts]

These "personality-cult" teachings seek to build up the supposed importance of one or two individuals, the self-serving leaders of these groups. It is my hope and prayer that those of you who have been led astray by them will recognize your error, carefully comparing their teachings with the Scriptures. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you as you seek Yahweh's Truth and His Will for your life, and that He will lead you, as the Apostle Peter said:

(2 Pet 3:18 KJV) "But grow in **grace**, and *in* the **knowledge** of our Master and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah. To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen." ~