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Testing the Star of David

If you watch 119 Ministries teachings long enough, we are going to eventually say something that you don't like, or even greatly offends you. We guarantee, that at minimum, you will eventually disagree with us on something. For many, this may be one of those teachings.

Whenever we enter into a subject that is controversial or risks offending, we attempt to be as delicate and careful in our wording as possible, but not at the expense of sharing truth.

119 Ministries does not exist because we think it is fun. We assure you, it is not fun to receive many of the emails we receive on a daily basis, or to see certain websites' sole purpose of existence to be dedicated against 119 Ministries. It is not fun to see and hear the hurtful comments directed at us with no underlying evidence of being kind or loving in their presentation.

119 Ministries exists with the sole purpose to serve and assist you and yours in the walk our Creator desires for all of us, the same walk evidence by our Messiah Yeshua. It is our desire to see as many people as possible not only enter into the Kingdom, but to be great in the Kingdom, not for our glory, but the eternal glory of the One who made us and loves us.

You may have noticed, that ever since the beginning of 119 Ministries, none, or at least very few instances of our media or graphics contain what is called today as, “The Star of David.”

There is a reason for this, it is not accidental. It has nothing to do with us being against the Jewish people. We love the Jewish people, and Biblically, they are our brothers. Our concerns are rooted in the origins of the “Star of David” and what the Bible may have to say regarding that specific design of a star.

Contrary to our past of not displaying the Star of David, this teaching will certainly include this image quite often, as that is what this teaching is about. So, if this image offends you, we recommend not continuing with this teaching.

The star itself is a six-pointed star, also known as a hexagram. In Jewish commentary, it is also referred to as the Shield of David and sometimes as the Seal of Solomon.

Within the Jewish people, we see this star everywhere. The star is even at the center of the national flag of Israel. It is placed on menorahs, mezuzahs, and even the covers of books, and even coffee cups. Even those who follow the teachings of our Messiah Yeshua often emphasize and display this star, often out of support for the modern nation of Israel.

ORIGINS OF THE STAR OF DAVID

Proving the origins of the Star of David is quite difficult. Some of the earliest usage found in Jewish context is from the 3rd-4th century in a synagogue in Galilee.

(Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs. [King Solomon's Seal](#). Retrieved April 6th, 2016.)

However, unlike the menorah, Lion of Judah, or the shofar, which are Biblical examples of Jewish symbolism, the hexagram is shared in other historical contexts as well.

Hinduism and Buddhism are some other ancient examples of this star being used in a religious setting. Some of the oldest usages of the Hindu hexagram is dated to be hundreds of years before our Messiah.

The hexagram is also a prominent symbol in the occult and ceremonial magic.

The six-pointed star is commonly used both as a talisman and for conjuring spirits and spiritual forces in numerous forms of occult magic. In the book "The History and Practice of Magic, Vol. 2", the six-pointed star is called the talisman of Saturn and it is also referred to as the Seal of Solomon.

For purposes revealed later in this teaching, please note that the pagan occult relates the hexagram to the planet Saturn.

The symbol also presents itself in freemasonry:

"The interlacing triangles or deltas symbolize the union of the two principles or forces, the active and passive, male and female, pervading the universe ... The two triangles, one white and the other black, interlacing, typify the mingling of apparent opposites in nature, darkness and light, error and truth, ignorance and wisdom, evil and good, throughout human life." – Albert G. Mackey: Encyclopedia of Freemasonry

In short, the freemason definition of the hexagram would also serve well as the definition of the Biblical tree of good and evil, meaning mixing. The fruit of which, was presented to Adam and Eve by the adversary.

We could teach for hours on different contexts in which this symbol presents itself. If that subject matter interests you, we would encourage you to embark on your own personal independent study. It was sufficient for our purposes of this teaching to simply highlight some of the historical usages of the hexagram. We will stop here related the cultic connections to the hexagram, as it becomes quite disturbing in greater detail.

The bottom line can be summarized by the following facts:

- 1) The linkage of the hexagram to David appears to be by tradition only. There is no definitive proof that David was ever associated with this symbol. Some have speculated that it is two Hebrew letter "dalets" placed together to represent David. There is however, no evidence that

exists to suggest this.

- 2) The origins of the hexagram are unclear. We cannot definitively state that the origins are Jewish or the origins are from the pagan occult. History demonstrates that both groups entertained the symbol in their worship practices. The occult links the hexagram to the worship of Saturn.

Here is one thing we know that is true. It could be easily argued that the most dominant and true symbolic sign for YHWH's people is the menorah. Yet, we don't ever see the occult using the seven-candle menorah in their worship.

Why is the occult and other pagan religions so connected to the hexagram star if it is truly a sign of the Jewish people? Why is that symbol mixed in usage?

We believe there is an answer to that question, but let's go back to the Star of David.

There is a specific star that is connected to the Jewish people that is found in the Brit Hadasha, or the New Testament.

In Acts chapter 6-7, Stephen went on an impressive and bold rant against the first century Jewish leadership, outlining many of their previous and current errors.

Following this rant, they stoned him to death.

In Stephen's epic rant, immediately following his mention of the events of the golden calf, he refers to Amos 5:26 in which he refers to a specific star in a profoundly negative light:

Acts 7:42-43

“Did you bring to me slain beasts and sacrifices,
during the forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel?
You took up the tent of Moloch
and the star of your god Rephan,
the images that you made to worship;
and I will send you into exile beyond Babylon.’

According to Stephen, there is a particular star that Israel adopted in its worship of false gods.

So the only star Biblically associated with Israel that is mentioned in both the TANKAH and the Brit Hadasha paints it as one of the worst offences to YHWH imaginable; which is idolatry and the worship of false gods. It is in this same context that YHWH mentions the exile of Israel.

So, this image they made to worship, a specific star in the context of worshiping false gods, is no small or inconsequential thing.

Stephen found it so important to reveal the error of using this star, that he included it in the last few sentences he ever uttered before being violently stoned to death by those who did not want to hear it.

Is this specific star in Israel's history, mentioned by Stephen, a hexagram?

Let's examine this a little deeper.

Stephen was referring to Amos 5:26, so let's start there.

Amos 5:26

You shall take up **Sikkuth** your king, and **Kiyyun** your star-god—**your images that you made for yourselves.**

Stephen mentions the god Rephan to be associated with the noted star. Stephen was quoting from the Septuagint, which is the Greek version of the Old Testament, the TANAKH.

As we see in the Hebrew Scriptures, Rephan is the god Kiyyun.

Kiyyun is dominantly believed by scholars to be the god of Saturn.

Strong's: H3559 – Kiyuwn

probably a statue of the Assyrian-Babylonian god of the planet Saturn and used to symbolize Israelite apostasy

Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon - Kiyuwn

"The name of an idol worshipped by the Israelites in the wilderness, i.e. the planet Saturn"

So the Israelites created an image of a star to represent the planet Saturn, and incorporated it into their worship. According to the prophets, this was very bad, not very good.

So, was this star a hexagram?

We still cannot know for certain, but here is what we do know.

As we mentioned before, the six-pointed star is commonly used both as a talisman and for conjuring spirits and spiritual forces in many forms occult magic.

In the book "The History and Practice of Magic, Vol. 2", the six-pointed star is called the talisman of Saturn and it is also referred to as the Seal of Solomon. A way that this star is commonly portrayed appears as the following:



We would like to highlight a certain feature of this star and compare it with a known mysterious fact about Saturn.

Remember, according to the TANAKH and the Brit Hadasha, the god of Saturn is associated with an image of a specific design of a certain star, and the Israelites were accused of replicating it, and worshipping with it. And again, this was a very bad thing, not a very good thing.

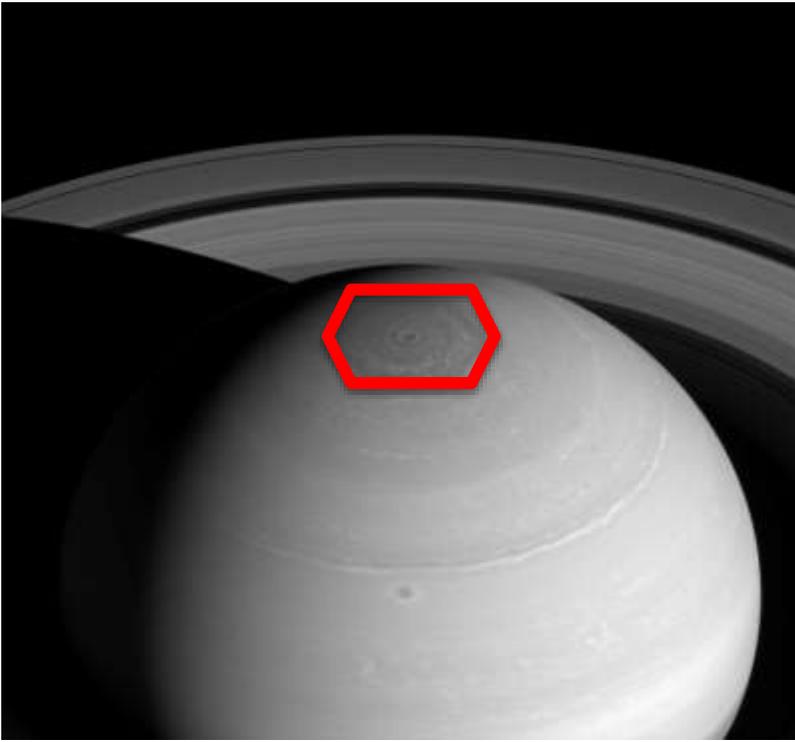
Outright, we simply do not know the exact details of this star. But what if the actual planet of Saturn reveals to us what the star of Saturn looks like?

At this point, you are likely wondering what in the world could we possibly be referring to?

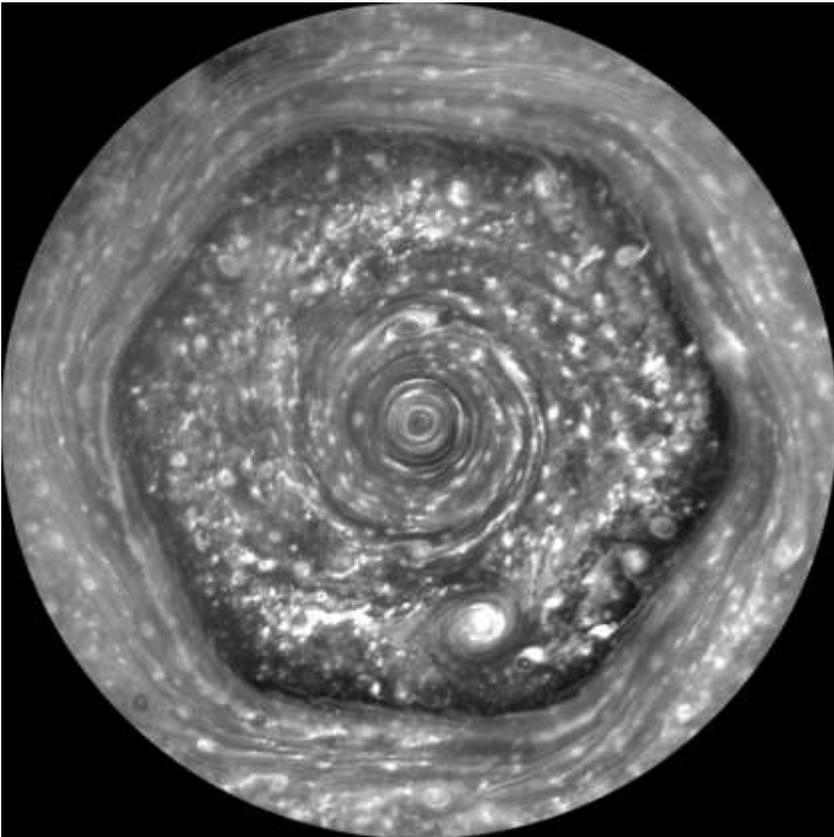
So, take note of what we just highlighted (hexagon) regarding the Star of David and the cultic hexagram and we will proceed with the graphical connection to the planet Saturn.

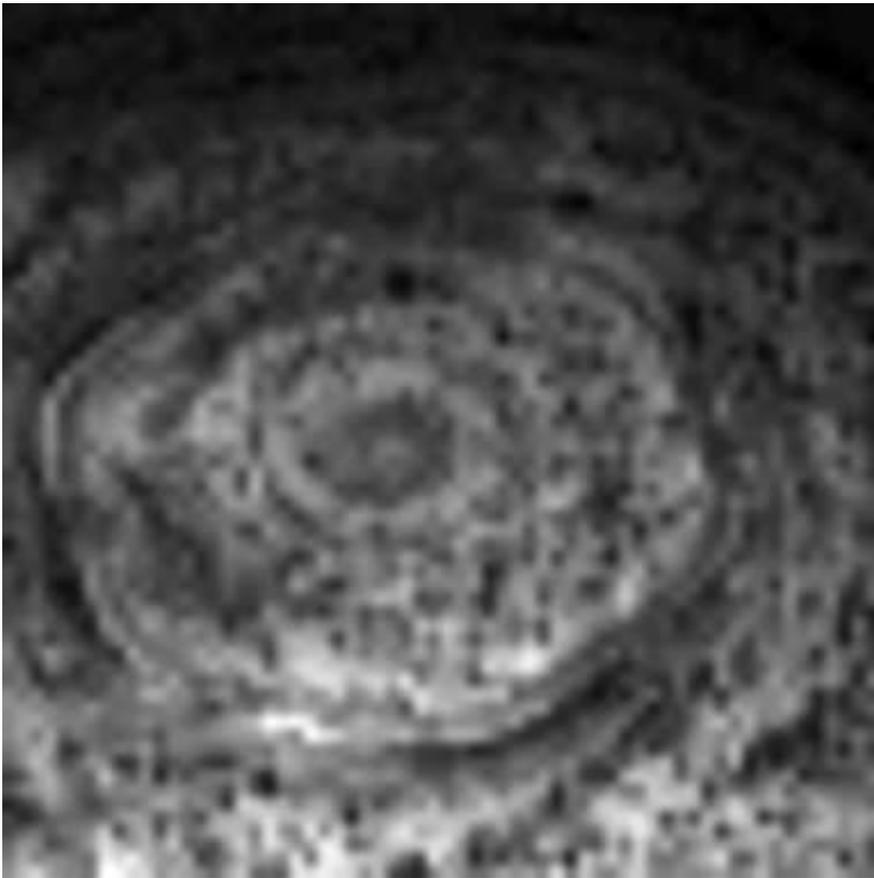
In some of the first detailed photos of the planet Saturn in the early 1980's, it was immediately noticed that the pole of Saturn exemplifies a persistent hexagon cloud formation. This mirrors the interior of the hexagram used by the Star of David and cultic hexagon.

Here is an image from April 2nd 2014:



Here is an image from 2012 that is directly over the North Pole.





This image is from November 20th 2006.

As you can clearly see, this massive six-sided image is always present on the North Pole of Saturn.

Just the sides of the hexagon are about 8,600 miles long, which is more than the diameter of Earth.

So, we have Scripture warning us of incorporating a star of the god of Saturn into our worship, and we have scientific evidence that shows that the actual planet of Saturn features this same image at its North Pole.

How did ancients know that Saturn had this six-pointed sign without sending out man-made satellites?

The answer is that the occult is real. The power of evil is real. ...This symbol is real.

We are going to stop short of blatantly saying that one should not have this symbol in their house, despite the fact that is the position 119 Ministries has adopted.

All we did is connect some facts, and one could always walk away saying that it is all simply a coincidence. We would encourage prayer on the matter and to seek the Spirit with open ears to assist you and yours with any action you would take for or against this symbol.

For review, here are the facts we uncovered and recommended considering:

- 1) The hexagram is historically present in worship activities for both Israel and the occult. The

occult specifically states that the hexagram is for the worship of the planet of Saturn.

- 2) The only warning we are given about a specific star and Israel adopting such an image for worship is related to the god of Saturn.
- 3) The actual planet of Saturn contains a perpetual six-pointed image, and is an exact replica of the center of the Star of David, and cultic hexagram.

So, what do we do with all of that?

Perhaps now it is understood why we stated this teaching was going to be so controversial. Because the evidence is circumstantial, despite the apparent strength of the Star of David connection to the god of Saturn, we cannot absolutely conclude that the star of the god of Saturn was a hexagram.

However, for years, we have avoided incorporating the symbol in our worship of our Creator.

119 Ministries has maintained from the beginning, that actual Biblical symbolism should be what we consider preferable.

In the end, in matters that are not provable, we all need to decide what is right or not right for our households.

We hope that this teaching has blessed you, and remember, continue to test everything.

Shalom.

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