

Q&A – Session 2

**Q: What are the differences between
Hebraic and Greek thought/logic?**

#1- Block Logic

**Embracing true statements which
may not easily harmonize with others.**

Tolerance of contradiction & paradox.

SYMPTOMS OF OVEREMPHASIS ON FREE WILL

- **Increasing Exhaustion**
- **Nagging Fears**
- **Nagging Doubts**
- **Emphasis on Gifts of the Spirit (vs. Fruit of the Spirit)**
- **Conformity of Behavior**
- **Emphasis on Justice more than Mercy**
- **Emotion Extremes signify Maturity**
- **Prayers implore instant deliverance**
- **Weaknesses & Struggles must be kept Hidden**
- **“Letter of the Law” trumps “Spirit of the Law”**
- **Demand for Perfect Obedience**
- **Leaders seek Control**
- **Fear of Wrong Choices leads to preference for:**
 - **Signs**
 - **Strongly enforced prohibitions**
 - **Relinquishing choice to others**

SYMPTOMS OF OVEREMPHASIS ON GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY

- **The “Redeemed” life little different from a “Good” one**
- **Ritual more important than Spirituality**
- **Emphasis on God’s Mercy more than God’s Justice**
- **God’s Plans are for Him to fulfill**
- **Teaching focuses on comfort and assurance, not conviction and change**
- **Tolerance for long-term sin**
- **Emphasis on Remorse rather than Repentance**
- **God’s Promises are always unconditional**
- **“Christian” label broadly applied**
- **Fight against Evil is a societal rather than a personal battle**
- **Self-Examination discouraged**
- **Fear of being labeled “Judgmental” prevents correction**

#2- Holistic vs Compartmentalistic

Putting together vs Pulling apart

Seeks the *Big Picture*

Greek Thought

EITHER/OR



The one necessarily
excludes the other.

Hebraic Thought

AND



Two dwelling in unity.

Stone = אבן

Father = אב

Son = בן

#3 – Interest in Truth, Not just Facts

Believing is Seeing

VS

Seeing is Believing

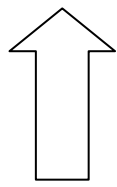
Matthew 11:25-26

At that time Yeshua declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.”

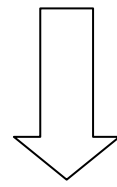
#4 – Dynamic, Not Static

John 13:17

If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.



HEAVEN & HELL - A ROADMAP



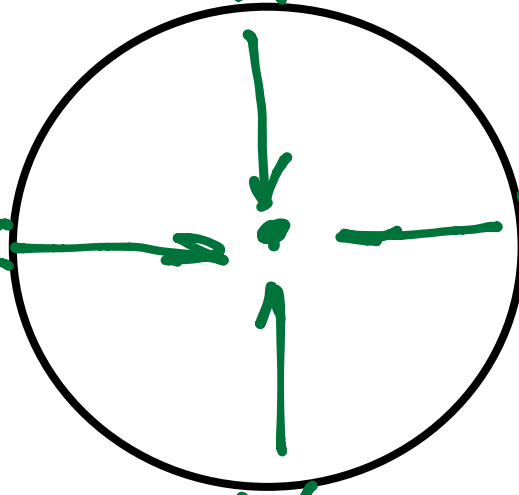
Heaven ↑



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#5 – Corporate Solidarity vs Individuality

Psalm 14:7

*“...When Adonai restores the fortunes of His people, let **Jacob** rejoice, let **Israel** be glad.”*

Romans 11:24

For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree.

1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 27

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Messiah. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and all were made to drink of one Spirit....Now you are the body of Messiah and individually members of it.

Revelation 21:9-10

*Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you **the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.**” And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me **the holy city Jerusalem** coming down out of heaven from God...*