




Yahweh Is Truth

I've been using the ancient Hebrew pictographs in my study of the book of Genesis and got to the point where I needed to understand the term "Yahweh" and how it fit into what I was doing. After looking up what I could find on the subject, it became clear that any attempt to "read" anything into that word was, well, not encouraged. Apparently, it is a holy name of GOD, can't be pronounced (because the vowels are missing), and shouldn't be said, anyway. So, naturally, this piqued my curiosity. (OK, so I'll never be a saint.)


In terms of the type of writing that was around during the time of Moses, the name "Yahweh" would probably have been written in ancient Hebrew pictographs. In other words, Yahweh would have looked like this: 




Reading these pictographs from right to left (as is usual when reading Hebrew) and using Jeff A. Benner's interpretations of these pictographs (found in the website "Ancient Hebrew Research Center"),

 represents an arm and closed hand, which means to "work, throw, or worship";

 represents a man with arms raised, which means to "look, reveal, or breath";

 represents a tent peg, which means to "add, secure, or hook"; and

 represents a man with arms raised, which means look, reveal, or breath.

The two s remind me of two quotation marks around a particular idea. For example, *The book was an "interesting" example of plagiarism*. It implies that there is an additional meaning involved. Therefore, what's between the two s (i.e., ) needs closer scrutiny, perhaps to discover if it has a deeper meaning. At first glance, it seems to mean an

arm of "security".

An arm of security is "that which enfolds us" (i.e., keeps us safe), like the loving arms of a father. In essence, that which "enfolds" us is something we call "reality", i.e., "that which is"; and, therefore, "the arm that enfolds us" is, basically, "the truth".

Seems to me we should speak “the truth” always, not hide it away. What we shouldn't do is to take the Lord's name in vain, that is to abuse, misuse, or pervert the truth.