

## Where does the concept of the Oral Law come from?

***Then the LORD said unto Moshe, “Write down these words, for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel”. Exodus 34:27***

Based on the above verse in **Exodus 34:27** what the Rabbis teach is this - the Oral Law, what they call the *Torah Be'al Peh* (*Torah on the mouth*), was given to Moshe on Mount Sinai. Only he didn't write it down, it was the “*Torah Be'al Peh*”— the Torah that was transmitted orally.

***But hang on a minute — How did they get Torah Be'al Peh (Oral Torah) from that verse?***

By a total misinterpretation of the Hebrew words translated “*in accordance*”.

The Hebrew words for “*in accordance*” are *al Phi* and that sounds exactly like *al Phe* “*on the mouth*”.

***“very simple”***

The word “in accordance” is twisted to mean “on the mouth” — Even though every Hebrew scholar in the world would agree it doesn't mean “on the mouth”, this verse plainly means in Hebrew “in accordance”. God didn't say to Moshe that He would make a covenant based on the oral law, He said I am going to make a covenant based on what you are going to go and WRITE DOWN.

**THE SCRIPTURES TEACH THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS AN ORAL TRADITION THAT COMES FROM MOSHE.**

Further proof is in **Joshua 8:35**, we read

***There was not a word of all that Moshe Rabbenu had commanded, which Joshua did not read before all the assembly of Israel.*** It says that Moshe wrote it **all** down — THERE WAS SIMPLY NO ORAL TRADITION.

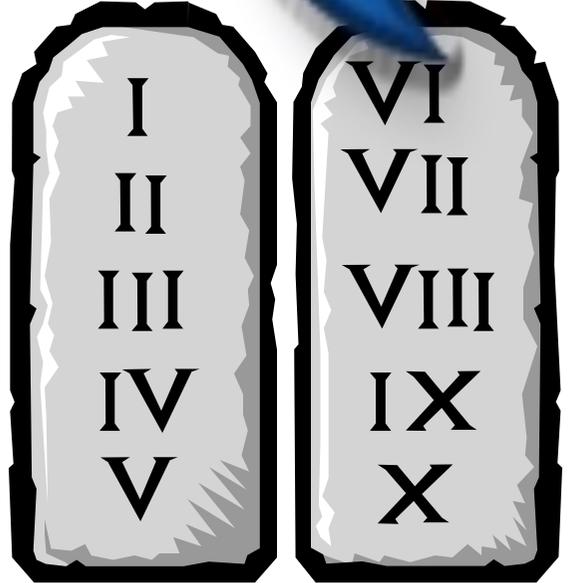
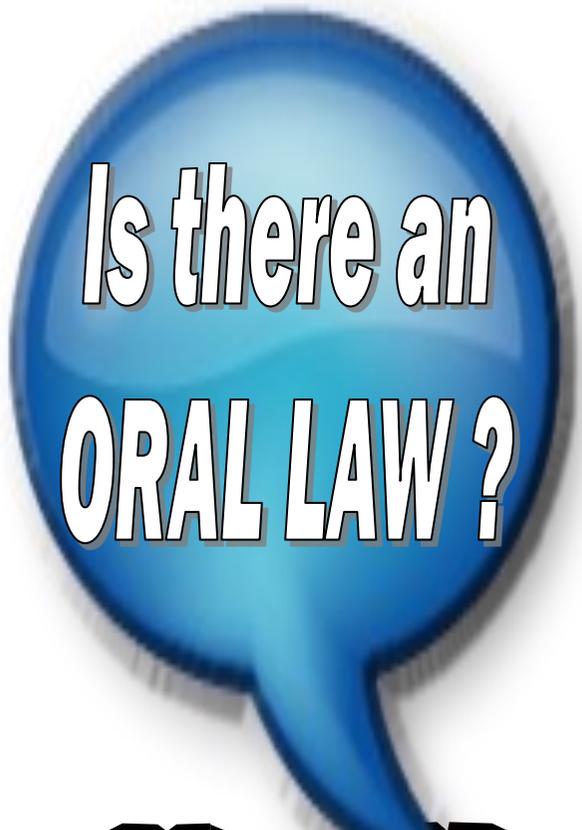
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In showing these facts, I want to make it perfectly clear that I want to give no fuel to the anti-Semitic fire of those who viciously attack the Talmud. We all have some degree of appreciation for at least some parts of the Talmud, even though I differ with its presuppositions.

But it needs to be understood that most Jewish people today blindly follow the tradition of the Rabbi's believing that God also gave another Torah to Moshe on Mt Sinai, and it is taught from the Rabbinic traditional view point that only through that oral torah, which was allegedly passed on through to every generation, can we supposedly understand the Scriptures. - This is simply Biblically not true. They go so far as to say in Talmud that one Rabbi is greater than one prophet. The opinion of 1,001 Rabbis is more important than the opinion of 1,000 prophets, because the prophets only were secretaries, messengers. The Rabbis had to interpret what it meant. So — what does Ha Shem have to say about all of that?

**Because this people draws near to me with their words. and honour me with lip service, but they remove their hearts far from me and their reverence for me consist of tradition, mahsorot, tradition, learned by rote, Isaiah 29:13.**

My appeal to you today is to follow the literal word of the scriptures, and to read it for yourself, and let that literal truth of His word open your heart and set you free in coming to know who the true Messiah is.



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