

Reply to Karaite Korner Newsletter #263.

Hi Folks,

I received another example of bait and switch from my old friend Nehemia (via someone else forwarding me his most recent report). He just can't bring himself to mentioning names in his critiques. His latest discourse is obviously directed at me for the spring rains comments, I am not aware of who is deserving of the fall comments. It must be someone else who rubs him wrong. He needs to go back and reread our reports from last year for edification, as well as correction. We tied the heavy rains to the temperatures last year in Israel during the aviv inspections, for they were not just an intermittent rain here or there nor were the temp's. This year the temperatures during our inspections were beautiful, in the 60's and 70's during the days, and at night in the 50's and one night high 40's, which is just where they should be in a normal year. That was far from the case last year. We were still in winter with people wearing heavy coats and scarfs during the day. The nights consistently hit the low 30's and in some locals the high 20's. That is all simply a matter of record. I guess we are not to let that get in the way however!

As to the rains on the weekend and the tornado which hit the Galilee being a sign to contend with, the spin myster needs to search out a meteorological site on the internet and see that they most commonly occur with two converging weather systems cold and warm causing uplift and downlift at the same time and thus a vortex. They can occur at any time that condition exists but primarily in what we call the spring of the year as is witnessed often here in the states. That is precisely the case in Israel this week. It is also the cause of the recent cloud burst, which we call a gully washer here. No Israel is not experiencing such events all over regardless of what the spin myster is saying. They are very limited in geographical area but none the less very severe.

Lets see the accusation is, "Yet mysteriously the voices of protest remain silent!" He must not be privy to my latest e-mails or our reports, so if anyone out there could forward them to him please do so. As well, I think he says I and others just want to follow the Rabbinic Calendar. If he actually believes that he is more deceived than I actually have thought but of course I think most of us know that is just for audience consumption.

He is correct that Rabbinic Jews did not protest the conditions last year for they intercalated, it was he who was in fact protesting the conditions. They were correct in their sticking to the intercalated month based on our inspections and accumulated evidence from the land and the Bible. So why would he have heard "objections" coming from them. Their only comment was he is nuts! And no I am not a "non-Rabbinite group who claim to follow the Torah". I try to follow Christ wherever He goes as I am confident you all try to do also. That means we walk through the entirety of the word of God and do not try to balance on one leg. I truly hope that one day in the future my old friend can come to that understanding. I do not hate him, but that which he does.

Brian