

# Denying Messiah

## Why do you think there are people in the Messianic movement today, who are denying Yeshua as the Messiah?

It needs to be remembered that denial of the Lord Yeshua (Jesus) has been occurring for centuries, although in today's Messianic movement, it does often sit a little too close to home because of our small size.

There are a variety of reasons why some people in the Messianic movement are denying Yeshua as the Messiah. The first reason is that apostasy from the faith is prophesied to take place in the Last Days (2 Thessalonians 2:1-4).<sup>1</sup> The second reason is that there are a variety of deceptive books and websites, labeled as being "Messianic," which (deliberately) plant seeds of doubt into the minds of people. The third reason is that it is likely that many people who are denying Yeshua's Divinity,<sup>2</sup> and then His Messiahship,<sup>3</sup> *never* truly knew Him as their Personal Savior.

One pattern that is very dangerous is the idea that one must "question everything." While there should surely be wisdom and discernment exercised when approaching a topic or issue, many of those who teach that one must "question everything" have not considered the full ramifications of what they say. Eventually a person will ask questions that cannot be answered, and the result can be a denial of Yeshua and ultimately denial of the existence of God as Creator. The Biblical pattern is *not* to "question everything," but rather to seek confirmation of an important matter (Deuteronomy 17:16; 19:15; Matthew 18:16; 2 Corinthians 13:1; Titus 5:19; Hebrews 10:28).

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<sup>1</sup> Consult the author's article "The Great Apostasy" (appearing in *When Will the Messiah Return?*)

<sup>2</sup> Consult the author's article "Answering the 'Frequently Avoided Questions' About the Divinity of Yeshua" (appearing in *Confronting Critical Issues*).

<sup>3</sup> Consult the author's article "Answering the 'Frequently Avoided Questions' About the Messiahship of Yeshua" (appearing in *Confronting Critical Issues*).