

Throughout the centuries, here and there, have come pieces of a puzzle, mostly from missionaries, but even Confucius (551-479 BC) wondered about the early history of China and it's strange monotheistic stories and customs.

The first Emperor of China, Emperor Shun (2230 BC) instituted the Border Sacrifice to ShangDi. This sacrifice was carried out every winter solstice, originally at the eastern border of China (later at the "Altar of Heaven" in Beijing) from the first Emperor until the last Emperor in 1911.

Recent studies have speculated that the revered ShangDi of China is actually the El Shaddai of Hebrew tradition--manifested in the person of Jesus Christ of Nazareth and that Emperor Shun may 'well have been Noah's son, Shem.

'Whether or not this proves to be true, there is certainly a story told in the ancient "oracle bone" script (discovered in 1899). Apparently, the earliest known civilization has a preserved language 'that gives tangible credence to the Biblical account of the fall of man in the garden of Eden and God's provision of a Lamb for salvation from that original sin.

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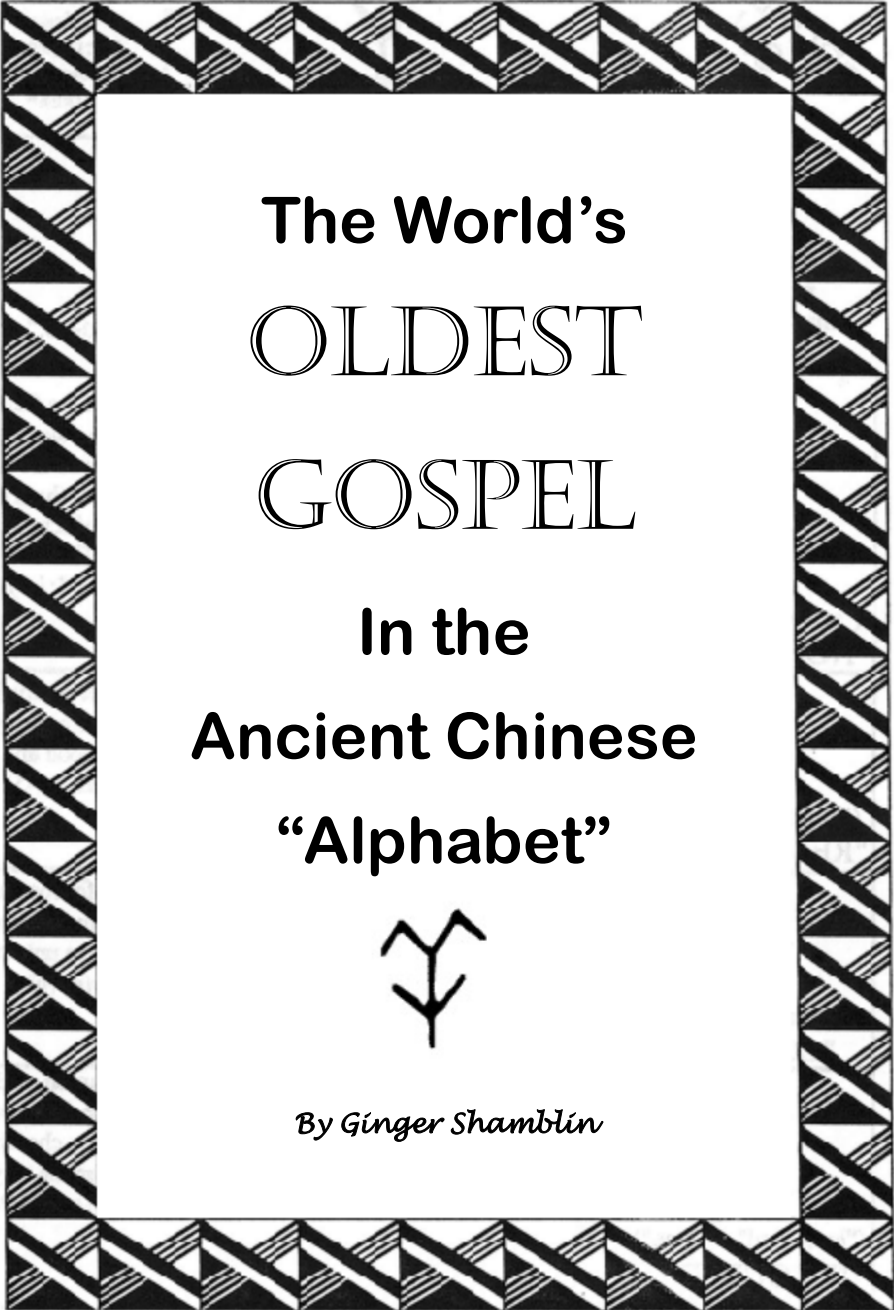
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**The World's
OLDEST
GOSPEL
In the
Ancient Chinese
"Alphabet"**



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**PROBLEM:
SIN**



Ancient Chinese Pictograph Meaning "TREE"

4 Ancient Chinese picture-words made from "tree:"

The Genesis Account of the First "no-no:"





**SOLUTION:
A LAMB?**






Ancient Chinese Pictograph Meaning "SHEEP"

3 Ancient Chinese picture-words made from "sheep:"

The Gospel Account of The Lamb of God:

 ("snake" + "trees") "NO" or "NOT"	<p>"Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, 'Yea, hath God said: Ye shall NOT eat of every tree of the garden?' And the woman said unto the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said: Ye shall NOT eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die'" (Genesis 3:1-3)</p>
 ("mouth" + "tree") "RESTRAIN"	<p>"And the serpent said unto the woman, 'Ye shall not surely die; For God doth know that in the day ye EAT thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.'" (Genesis 3:4-5)</p>
 ("woman" + "trees") "COVET"	<p>"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree to be desired to make one wise she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat and gave also unto her husband with her and he did eat." (Genesis 3:6)</p>
 ("enclosed" + "tree") "TROUBLE"	<p>"Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden to till the ground from whence he was taken. So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the garden of Eden cherubims and a flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life." (Genesis 3:23-24)</p>

Why, in the earliest recorded language, would trees have anything to do with "no," "restraint: "coveting," or "trouble" unless the Biblical record of Adam & Eve is true?

 ("me" + "weapon" + "hand" + "sheep")	<p>"For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made RIGHTEOUS." (Romans 5:19)</p> <p>"...behold, the LAMB of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." (John 1:29b)</p> <p>"...the Son of Man is delivered into the HANDS of men and they shall kill Him..." (Math 9:31b)</p>
 ("hide" + "sheep") "DELIVER"	<p>"For ye are dead, and your life is HID with Christ IN God." (Colossians 3:3)</p> <p>"...to wait for His Son from Heaven, whom he raised from the dead, JESUS, which DELIVERED us from the wrath to come." (I Thessalonians 1:10)</p>
 ("noble person" + "sheep") "BEAUTIFUL"	<p>"Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment, because AS HE IS, SO ARE WE in this world." (1 John 4:17)</p> <p>"...He will BEAUTIFY the meek with salvation." (Psalm 149:4b)</p>

Why would sheep (or lambs) have anything to do with "righteousness," "deliverance" and "beauty" unless "the Lamb that was slain from the foundation of the world" (Revelation 13:81) really was our righteousness, beauty and deliverance?