

# **The Spoonist Chronicles**



# The Beginning

In the beginning of the universe, time, everything we know today, there was nothing. Not a single spec of dust, not a single thing to be seen. The Spoon at one point got tired of the Nothingness, so He commanded the great forces of His Place to create a universe, a great one. Although it was only a mass of light, it began closing in onto itself. The mass soon burst into a great colorful wave of substances and warm, fresh air. After some waiting, the air eventually cooled down and the results of the universe's creation was revealed. Multiple realms of beings scattered here and there. A lifeless void accompanied it all, similar to that of Nothingness, only now there were specs of light to guide those who roamed the depths of the outer realms. One particular sector of realms looked interesting to the Spoon, the Sol area, nine realms circled around this mass of light. And it was now Spoon would wait for life to begin blooming here. Eventually, life did eventually grow in one realm of Sol develop slowly and eventually expand throughout its own realm.

## *Earth*

Spoon called this particular realm Earth, after its rich substance that allowed life to grow from it out of the surface. He watched beings scurry around and establish hierarchical structures. He watched these beings evolve into more clever societies, they would go out and hunt for food, bring the food back home, have feasts, then sleep. Spoon was pleased with the development, content. However, on one day, He noticed a group of the beings feuding and fighting with one another. He sent down a resident of His Place to attempt to figure out what the fight was about. Once the resident returned, it was revealed the fight was about a piece of land. All three of the beings wanted the land for themselves due to its fertility for crop growth. Spoon was saddened at this news, so He decided to intervene.

A metallic spoon was descended from the heavens down to the ground in the middle of where the beings had been fighting, they immediately stopped, confused. Spoon then spoke to the beings, telling them the spoon was a symbol of peace and that it should be worshiped as a holy item. The beings did as told and started worship of Spoon. A temple was built in His name where they would sacrifice food and belongings up to Spoon in an attempt to redeem themselves from the fight.

Spoon had further plans for these beings, Humans. He wanted to bring a great, delicious treat to the entire Earth, one so great everyone would *have* to enjoy it, there was no possible way no one would be disgusted at this food. It would be the greatest creation the universe had seen.

## The Soup Messenger

Spoon manifested a being that functioned exactly like the Humans in the realm of Earth. Another Human, the Soup Messenger. The Messenger would be sent down to the realm, he would bring out a wooden bowl, and manifest soup from air into the bowl, the people of Earth were impressed with his works. He began voyaging around spreading the words of soup and the Great Spoon, gaining a following. He insisted people not worship him, but instead worship Spoon. For the messenger was merely a Human like the other peoples of Earth.

He continued his journey across the terrain and land of the realm, and brought about the teachings of how to make soup.

*“You must take your foundation [preferably a bowl] of your soup, pour water into your foundation. Heat up the entire containment until the water bubbles up. Then add your meats and many different plant-foods into the water. Then locate your spoon utensil, and use that to consume the soup.”*

- One of the many messengers teachings to the people of Earth on how to create a soup

The people of Earth were amazed and in awe at the Messenger’s teachings, and followed suit to the teachings, creating their own soups at home. The Messenger then began to teach the people of different soups, and how to make them. The people of Earth were impressed with the different flavors, and began to cook different soups, each to their own liking. The Messenger, continuing his teachings of soup to the people of Earth, brought about different variations of soup, some with more broth, some with less. The people of Earth were fascinated with the different flavors and textures, and began to experiment with their own soups.

## **The Anti-Soupists**

Alas, all great things have their opposition. In this situation, the Messenger was opposed by Humans who thought their utensil, forks, were the superior utensil for food consumption. The Messenger tried to negotiate with the mobs, but they rejected any attempts at making peace. The Anti-Soupists now declared soup and spoons as their main enemies, creating the House of Pfile, an angry fork-worshiping cult whose main goal is to rid Earth of Spoon's words. The Messenger was aware of the situation and tried to gather his followers for help, but they were too scared of the size of the mob. The Messenger tried contacting Spoon through prayer, but none of that was to any help. As a mob of Pfilists broke into his home and attempted to take his life by stabbing him with forks, but since he was created by the Spoon Himself, none of the stabbing and attacks managed to inflict pain onto the Messenger. After the Messenger appeared to be dead, the mob left his home in disarray. The Spoonist world was in total shock that people would do such a thing to such a virtuous being. The Spoonist world now had a common goal to destroy the House of Pfile.

## Departure of The Messenger

After the fork events, the Messenger stayed in hiding. He hid in the basement chambers of his home, and spent the rest of his life in isolation until one day, Spoon came back into contact with him. After the Soup Messenger told the story of the Pfilists, he was brought back into the Great Place of Spoon. Spoon promised that the death cult of forks would be taken care of soon. No one knew how soon, but Spoon promised it, that people who spoke against soup were unbelievers. If they wanted to redeem themselves in the eyes of Spoon, they had to do nothing but spend their life in prayer, soup consumption, and sleep. They could not enjoy the other luxuries of life except soup, and could not go outside to interact with anyone at all. These measures were sure to destroy the House of Pfile.

### *The Soup Temple*

Spoon decided to send the Messenger back down to Earth, granting him a wooden spoon, and told him he must go and lead the Spoonists to the great Soup Temple. The Messenger was sent down to Earth and led the most devout of his followers on a pilgrimage to the most suitable location to construct the Soup Temple. The believers were pleased with the results, and began putting the temple to use, practicing the ancient sacrifices which had been put in place by the first Spoonists. After the Messenger was satisfied with the temple, he left Earth for the last time, never to be seen again by an inhabitant of the realm.

## Soup Month

To protest the rise of the Pfilist cult, followers of the Soup Messenger and Spoon began practicing a holy Soup Month. They would consume nothing else but soup by the Messenger's definition every day. They would then spend 3 days in prayer and isolation like the Messenger in his last days on Earth, praying to Spoon. Then on the next day they would hold a Grand Soup Feast. After the day of the feast they would return to their normal lives. Spoon watched this go on and was proud of his followers, finding a way to stand up to the House of Pfile that didn't scare the Spoonist community.

But one day, a member of the House of Pfile, calling himself Pfil, attended one of the feasts in an attempt to disrupt it. He gave the soup a try, emptying his bowl, after he finished, he proceeded to go on a rant of blasphemy.

*“This soup is horrible! You call this a holy item? It's nothing but water and vegetables!”*

The attendants were shocked, how could someone say such a thing? Eventually a crowd was formed before Pfil and they dragged him before a High Priest, overseeing the feast. The priest decided that Pfil would be expelled from the land. He had no right to walk on Spoon's creation. The Spoonist crowd, taking the priest's word, dragged Pfil and threw him into a rowboat, where he hastily rowed into the horizon, away from the land.

## **Book of Egypt**

The Spoonist community began to face persecution by the polytheistic faithful of Egypt, who denied the existence of one true God. Spoon was displeased, and spoke to the High Priest of the Soup Temple, asking for help against the disbelievers. The High Priest made a voyage to the Egyptian Empire's capital and told the Pharaoh that if he did not accept the Spoonist faith, the empire would be shattered. The Pharaoh did not take this seriously and had the High Priest jailed.

Spoon continued to communicate with the High Priest through dreams and inscriptions on the jail walls, telling him to have faith. But months later the High Priest was tried for conspiracy and was sentenced to be executed.

Spoon appeared on the night before the execution, telling the High Priest to continue to proclaim the Spoonist faith. The next day, on the execution, the High Priest recited prayers and cited multiple inscriptions from the Soup Temple, but was cut off by his death. The Pharaoh was enraged by this show of heathenry that he ordered the slaughter of all Spoonists in the empire.

But the Spoonist community retaliated, and on one night silently set the Pharaoh's palace ablaze, killing the Pharaoh and his relatives inside from the smoke.

The empire was then without a clear successor, and was then plunged into chaos, it would take the remaining order years to find a new successor. The Spoonists then went on to found a Spoonist realm, but were quickly fazed out due to a dispute.

The Spoonists then returned to their normal lives, with full knowledge that a ruler's faith no longer had any say in their activities and life.



## **The Spaghetti Tale**

After the conclusion of Soup Month in the Italian peninsula, the Spoonist Italians had a question for the Lord Spoon. They often enjoyed a cuisine called spaghetti, but that certain dish was difficult to try and eat with a spoon, and sporks were an idea the Spoonists at the time rejected due to its association with forks. So they went up to the Cabinet in their town and prayed to try and speak with Spoon. They recited the declaration of faith multiple times until Spoon finally responded and asked what knowledge they sought. One of the men that originally came up with the question confronted Spoon with the question. Spoon thought about this for a while, he possessed infinite wisdom but could not come up with an answer to this question. He told the men to come back tomorrow. The next day the men returned to the Cabinet, and came in contact with Spoon once more, this time he had an answer. Those who wished to consume food with a fork, and with good justification, could consult the priest of their Cabinet of choice, and obtain a “Fork Pass”, the pass would let Spoonists eat fork-eaten foods with a fork without committing a sin.

# THE COMMANDMENTS

After Spoon realized that there were no clear rules for the Spoonist faith, and that that's probably what sparked the Spaghetti Question, he came up with a set of commandments that everyday Spoonist believers should adhere to as a guide to Spoonism.

The best soup is every soup mixed together

Cereal foods are NOT soups

Chili is stew

You can obtain a Fork Pass with proper justification

Fork Passes are multiple-use [only for the certain foods]

The House of Pfile is evil

The Soup Messenger is one

The Soup Messenger is Human

The Declaration of Faith is optional

If you sin, you must sacrifice your best spoon in order to be forgiven

## **Council of Antioch**

“It is the will of Spoon that we all gather here”, the cleric of the Soup Temple stated. Spoon had been with them since the beginning, and had summoned attendants to the Soup Temple to discuss a very important matter, that of the House of Pfile, and the course of action to take against the cult.

The Pfilists had revealed their true motives and beliefs, that forks were the “true way to eat” and that anyone who used a spoon to eat was “impure”.

“Yes, yes, the House has been gaining converts and militants very quickly, if we do not act with haste they may overtake us in numbers, and unleash unholy wrath” one of the attendants claimed. The council took notes, and for a while, no one spoke.

An attendant broke the silence, raising his hand.

“I believe we should take a more aggressive stance, holy war, if Spoon wills it.”

The council discussed the idea, when the cleric then agreed.

“I believe you may be right, if war is what it takes to protect our way of belief, our way of life, then so be it. We will not back down in the face of the enemy, we shall not give into their blasphemous demands. For the glory of Spoon, we shall stand together in arms against the House of Pfile and the other enemies that succeed them!”

It was decided there, in the Soup Temple, that holy war was a just cause.

## **Christmas and the Second Soup Messenger**

Christmas, recognized as the birth of Jesus Christ. On the same day, Spoon manifested another Soup Messenger, to join forces with Jesus and hopefully rid the Earth of the Pfilists. So a spiritual successor to the first Messenger was created, and sent him down to the land of Israel by the time Jesus was a man. The Second Messenger asked Jesus for assistance against the still-existing House of Pfile. In response, Jesus gifted the Messenger a large spoon. The Messenger thanked him and went on his way to think of what to do with the spoon. Then he knew exactly what to do, the Messenger broke into one of the bases that houses the Pfilist cult, and had a load of soup ready in the spoon, he proceeded to pour it on every valuable belonging in the House and burnt the cultists with the hot soup, killing them. The Second Messenger then smashed and broke every item in the building and then collapsed it, escaping just in time to witness the House fall upon itself, killing the remaining Pfilists attending the House.

The Messenger then came back and returned to another ceremony of Christmas, and decided to take part in the ceremony, gifting multiple people spoons and soups. After this, the new Messenger proceeded to take in the steps of the first Messenger and spread the word of soup and Spoon around the world.

## The Skeleton Prophecy

The Second Soup Messenger was visiting a Christian graveyard in Jerusalem, when he noticed something was off. He knew cremation was a discouraged practice by many Christian churches, but the services were still offered for the dead. What happened to the cremated? What happened to a Spoonist who hadn't gotten a grave? He eventually left the graveyard and headed for Antioch, where he then looked towards Spoon for an answer on what occurred to the un-graved dead.

*“The un-graved dead are drafted into the Great Skeleton War, a war in the realm of the dead which has been waged for centuries, and will continue to be fought until the end of times, which the war itself may cause.”*

The Messenger was confused on how a simple war could bring about the end of times, an apocalypse, it seemed impossible to him. So he asked Spoon how such a war would bring about the end times. Spoon responded.

*“If un-graved dead continue to get drafted into the War, the realm of the dead will soon overpopulate, and their realm's problems would be ours, engulfing the Earth into a war between the living and dead.”*

The Messenger was horrified at this news that he'd just now been told. Both him and Spoon agreed that this event should never occur. The Messenger went back on his travels to preach that the dead should be buried with a grave, and not cremated.

## **Book of Saul**

The Second Soup Messenger, tired of pilgrimage across the land, encountered a man of talent in legalism and jurisprudence. The man declared himself as Saul, he joined the Messenger on a trip to Damascus in order to learn more about the growing Spoonist faith. By the end of the interaction, Saul had been convinced that Spoonism was the one true faith, and must be spread to the Holy Land of Israel. Lord Spoon encouraged Saul's advances through interactions with the Messenger. Saul traveled to the Holy city of Jerusalem shortly after and preached to the synagogues that they should accept the Spoon God. The people of Jerusalem were conflicted on his message, some went about their business, ignoring his message, others took his message well and embraced Spoonism as faith, but the rest began to persecute Saul. Saul was subject to beatings and shunning from society in the city.

### *Battle of Damascus*

Saul and his converts then fled to Damascus and created an underground community intended to bring an end to the anti-soupist Pfilists and their ideology. The community, known as the League of Spoonists, quickly began militarizing itself, developing holy war as one of its main morals. Saul and the Spoonists began proselytizing in the region to gain a following large enough to overthrow the House of Pfile once more, and end persecution of Spoonists. The League began to publicly protest in the streets of Damascus, demanding rights for followers of Spoonism. The protests soon turned violent, and the armed wing of the Pfilists opened battle on the League. The Messenger, who was now a resident of the city, personally led his own coalition of Spoonists against the Pfilists. This made a decisive Spoonist victory in the city. The persecution of Spoonists had ended and the House of Pfile was sent scurrying looking for a new host. Saul was then unanimously selected as a leader for the region. In his ways of legalism, he began work on a Spoonist Law, the Spooniyah, a rework of what he said were the outdated commandments.

# The Spooniyah

Here before the Court of Damascus, 4 Spoonist representatives, 3 Jewish, 3 Christians. The newly elected leader of Damascus, Saul, constructed a new Spoonist law which was to be enforced in any functioning Spoonist state.

*There is no other God than Spoon, and Spoon is God.*

1 - If you do require it to consume a meal or cuisine, a cleric may grant you a Fork Pass.

1.1 - Fork Passes are multiple-use

2 - The Soup Messengers are not to be worshiped, only prayed to.

2.1 - Any prophets who come about after the passage of the Spooniyah fall into this same rule, not to be worshiped.

3 - Soup Month is expected to be observed by every able-bodied Spoonist

4 - If a believer gravely breaks a rule, they must observe a period of *Soupiyah*, a month-long period in which they can do nothing but consume soup, pray, use their wasterooms, and go to sleep.

5 - The House of Pfile is an evil virus which must destroy any chance the believers get.

6 - Killing others, even non-believers, is strictly forbidden.

7 - Stealing from others, even non-believers, is strictly forbidden.

8 - If a deceased believer has a gravestone and is buried, they ascend to Spoon's Place.

9 - If a deceased believer does not have a gravestone and is not buried, they get drafted into the Great Skeleton War.

10 - If a deceased believer has committed sin and has not observed Soupiyah, they get sent to an endless void with nothing to do.

11 - The Declaration of Faith is an optional entry to the Spoonist faith.

12 - It is unwise to give your resources to another, unless it is for a good cause.

12.1 - Simping is cringe, don't do it.

13 - A Spoonist cleric can grant divorce.

14 - If a new Spoonist is to join the faith, they must have read the Spooniyah and Spoonist commandments.

15 - The Spoonist clergy has full right to excommunicate an individual or group from the Cabinet.

16 - The Spoonist clergy must agree two-thirds to venerate an individual as a saint.

17 - After a period of Soupiyah, the ex-sinner must sacrifice their best spoon to Spoon.

18 - A Spoonist schism is to be avoided at all costs.

19 - The Skeleton Prophecy is to be avoided at all costs.

20 - Holy war is a just cause, as discussed in the Council of Antioch.



# **HOLIDAYS**

**As added by the Grand Spoonist Cabinet**

## **Gregorian Calendar Dates**

Entirety of January - Holy Soup Month

February 1-3 - Prayer to the First Soup Messenger

February 4 - Grand Soup Feast

July 20 - Spoon festival under the Big Dipper constellation

Second Sunday of November - Spoonist Thanksgiving

October 7 - Spoon day, eat spoon-shaped cakes on big plate-like spoons, with spoons

December 24-25 - Spoonist Christmas



“I pledge my loyalty to Spoon as his believer. I swear upon the Soup Messenger that soup is a holy item. Spoonism, Spoonism, Spoonism.”