A 50 Day Devotional Counting The Omer Go Shavaot

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DAILY PRAYER FOR THE COUNTING OF THE OMER

Each day, one says the blessing:

Blessed are You, A-d-noy, our G-d, King of the universe, Who has sanctified us with His commandments and has commanded us concerning the counting of the Omer.

Then one says (for the first six days):

Today is day[s] of the Omer.

After 6 days, one includes the weeks:

Today is days, which are week[s] [and day[s]], of the Omer.

For example: Today is 22 days, which are 3 weeks and 1 day of the Omer.

Then one concludes:

The Merciful One, may He return to us the service of the Temple to its place, speedily in our days. Amen, Selah!

IN YESHUA'S NAME

INTRODUCTION

Jewish Understanding of Counting The Omer

The omer refers to the forty-nine day period between the second night of Passover (Pesach) and the holiday of Shavuot. This period marks the beginning of the barley harvest when, in ancient times, Jews would bring the first sheaves to the Temple as a means of thanking God for the harvest. The word omer literally means "sheaf" and refers to these early offerings.

The Torah itself dictates the counting of the seven weeks following Pesach: "You shall count from the eve of the second day of Pesach, when an omer of grain is to be brought as an offering, seven complete weeks. The day after the seventh week of your counting will make fifty days, and you shall present a new meal offering to God (Leviticus 23:15-16)."

In its biblical context, this counting appears only to connect the first grain offering to the offering made at the peak of the harvest. As the holiday of Shavuot became associated with the giving of the Torah, and not only with a celebration of agricultural bounty, the omer period began to symbolize the thematic link between Peach and Shavuot.

While Pesach celebrates the initial liberation of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt, Shavuot marks the culmination of the process of liberation, when the Jews became an autonomous community with their own laws and standards. Counting up to Shavuot reminds us of this process of moving from a slave mentality to a more liberated one.

When to Count the Omer:

The Rabinical counting of the omer begins on the second night of Pesach. Jews in the Diaspora generally integrate this counting into the second seder. The biblical counting starts at the first Shabbat after Pesach.

The omer is counted each evening after sundown. The counting of the omer is generally appended to the end of Ma'ariv (the evening service), as well.

As Messianic Believers our thoughts should be on Yeshua daily and the counting of the Omer is a time to reflect on our relationship with Him and prepare our hearts for The Feast Of Shavuot.

The Daily Devotional is meant for just that, a tool to search our hearts. It is not meant to cause arguments or debates.

Yeshua is the CENTER of all we do in this ministry and our only desire is to bring glory to Him.

49 DAYS TO SHAVUOT!

Counting of the Omar to Shavuot

As the counting of the Omer beginss till Shavuot, it is a time to Exam Ourselves....Yeshua told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the Ruach HaKodesh. During this waiting time, they were not just sitting around twiddling their thumbs, they were counting the Omer, examining their lives in preparation to receiving the gift of the Ruach Ha Kodesh on Shavuot that Yeshua promised them would come.

John 13:16-17

16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever-17 The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] and will be in you.

Acts 1:1-11

1 1 Dear Theophilos:

In the first book, I wrote about everything Yeshua set out to do and teach, 2 until the day when, after giving instructions through the Ruach HaKodesh to the emissaries whom he had chosen, he was taken up into heaven.

3 After his death he showed himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. During a period of forty days they saw him, and he spoke with them about the Kingdom of God.

4 At one of these gatherings, he instructed them not to leave Yerushalayim but to wait for "what the Father promised, which you heard about from me. 5 For Yochanan used to immerse people in water; but in a few days, you will be immersed in the Ruach HaKodesh!"

6 When they were together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore selfrule to Israel?" 7 He answered, "You don't need to know the dates or the times; the Father has kept these under his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Ruach HaKodesh comes upon you; you will be my witnesses both in Yerushalayim and in all Y'hudah and Shomron, indeed to the ends of the earth!"

9 After saying this, he was taken up before their eyes; and a cloud hid him from their sight. 10 As they were staring into the sky after him, suddenly they saw two men dressed in white standing next to them. 11 The men said, "You Galileans! Why are you standing, staring into space? This Yeshua, who has been taken away from you into heaven, will come back to you in just the same way as you saw him go into heaven.[2] Language of the Soul By: Jay Litvin

After the Children of Israel left Egypt, 49 days passed before they received the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai. Tradition teaches that each of these days was necessary for the Children of Israel to refine themselves and be worthy of this gift. On each day they examined and corrected another of their inner traits and qualities. There were 49 in all.

These forty nine traits were comprised of seven basic attributes. Each of the seven contained all of the other seven, thus comprising forty nine.

Jewish sources tell us that the soul of man includes these seven Basic Attributes:

- * Love/Kindness (Chessed)
- * Vigor/Discipline (Gevurah)
- * Beauty/Harmony/Compassion (Tiferet)
- * Victory/Endurance/Determination (Netzach)
- * Humility/Devotion (Hod)
- * Foundation/Bonding/Connection (Yesod)
- * Majesty/Dignity (Malchut)

As we fulfill the mitzvah of counting the days and weeks from Passover to Shavuot, each of the seven weeks is devoted to a different attribute -- one week for Kindness, another week for Discipline, another for Compassion, etc. On each of the seven days of the week we refine another of the seven aspects of the week's attribute. For example, on the week devoted to kindness we will devote one day to refining that aspect of kindness that requires discipline and another day to refining that aspect of kindness that requires compassion, and so forth. During the week we are refining beauty, we spend one day refining that aspect of beauty that requires discipline and another day on that aspect of beauty that requires humility, until we have refined all seven aspects of beauty.

Ultimately, all character traits derive from combinations of these seven basic ones. Each quality continually interacts with the others, and in so doing has the capacity to modify its expression and effect. To be whole, a character trait must incorporate all seven; a lack or overabundance of even one of the seven renders it corrupt and, in some cases, damaging. Discipline, for

example, can easily become cruelty with but a slight exaggeration.

The Virtures spoken about above are also found in the Brit HaDasha, these same virtues were spoken about in 1 Peter and Galatians and 1 Corinthians 13

Galatians 5:22-26

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 humility, self control. Nothing in the Torah stands against such things.

24 Moreover, those who belong to the Messiah Yeshua have put their old nature to death on the stake, along with its passions and desires. 25 Since it is through the Spirit that we have Life, let it also be through the Spirit that we order our lives day by day.

26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.[3]

11 Peter 1:1-11

1 1 From: Shim'on Kefa, a slave and emissary of Yeshua the Messiah

To: Those who, through the righteousness of our God and of our Deliverer Yeshua the Messiah, have been given the same kind of trust as ours:

2 May grace and shalom be yours in full measure, as you come to a full knowledge of God and Yeshua our Lord.

3 God's power has given us everything we need for life and godliness, through our knowing the One who called us to his own glory and goodness. 4 By these he has given us valuable and superlatively great promises, so that through them you might come to share in God's nature and escape the corruption which evil desires have brought into the world.

5 For this very reason, try your hardest to furnish your faith with goodness, goodness with knowledge, 6 knowledge with self-control, self-control with perseverance, perseverance with godliness, 7 godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if you have these qualities in abundance, they keep you from being barren and unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah. 9 Indeed, whoever lacks them is blind, so shortsighted that he forgets that his past sins have been washed away. 10 Therefore, brothers, try even harder to make your being called and chosen a certainty. For if you keep doing this, you will never stumble. 11 Thus you will be generously supplied with everything you need to enter the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Deliverer, Yeshua the Messiah.[4]

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

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it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong].

6 It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail.

7 Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening].

8 Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]. As for prophecy (the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose), it will be fulfilled and pass away; as for tongues, they will be destroyed and cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away [it will lose its value and be superseded by truth].[5]

The Ruach HaKodesh/The Holy Spirit Will only reside in clean holy vessels. This is the time where we need to exam ourselves and prepare ourselves to be filled or refilled by the Ruach HaKodesh.

Jer 18:2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

Jer 18:3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

Jer 18:4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

Jer 18:5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

Jer 18:6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

When the talmidim were waiting for the promise of the father and preparing themselves to receive the Ruach HaKodesh, they were also preparing themselves to receive the Torah in their hearts, just as the children of Israel received the Torah at Mt. Sinai. They were preparing to become Temples of the Ruach HaKodesh and receiving the power of Messiah in their lives to be witness to the World of Messiahs love.

Adonai, you are the potter I am the clay. Mold me into a vessel of honor for your kingdom and for your glory in Yeshua's name I pray. Amein



YHWH/G-d is looking for FRUIT to abound in our lives.

Galatians 5:22

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Ephesians 5:9

9 For the fruit (the effect, the product) of the Light or the Spirit [consists] in every form of kindly goodness, uprightness of heart, and trueness of life.[4] Psalm 92:12-14

12 The righteous man will flourish like the palm tree,

He will grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

13 Planted in the house of the Lord,

They will flourish in the courts of our God.

14 They will still yield fruit in old age;

They shall be full of sap and very green,[5]

Matthew 13:23

23 As for what was sown on good soil, this is he who hears the Word and grasps and comprehends it; he indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundred times as much as was sown, in another sixty times as much, and in another thirty.[6]

John 15:1-8

I AM the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser.

2 Any branch in Me that does not bear fruit [that stops bearing] He cuts away (trims off, takes away); and He cleanses and repeatedly prunes every branch that continues to bear fruit, to make it bear more and richer and more excellent fruit.

3 You are cleansed and pruned already, because of the word which I have given you [the teachings I have discussed with you].

4 Dwell in Me, and I will dwell in you. [Live in Me, and I will live in you.] Just as no branch can bear fruit of itself without abiding in (being vitally united to) the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you abide in Me.

5 I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.

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6 If a person does not dwell in Me, he is thrown out like a [broken-off] branch, and withers; such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If you live in Me [abide vitally united to Me] and My words remain in you and continue to live in your hearts, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

8 When you bear (produce) much fruit, My Father is honored and glorified, and you show and prove yourselves to be true followers of Mine.[7]

John 15:16

16 You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you and I have appointed you [I have planted you], that you might go and bear fruit and keep on bearing, and that your fruit may be lasting [that it may remain, abide], so that whatever you ask the Father in My Name [as presenting all that I AM], He may give it to you.[8]

We are to produce fruit in our lives for the glory of Yahweh. So.....How's Your Fruit Growing?

An unhealthy, under-nourished tree produces bad fruit, rotten fruit. A tree that is healthy and full of life produces beautiful, sweet, luscious fruit that brings nourishment and joy to others.

Have you ever had a bad piece of fruit? You bit into it and it is sour, or bland or even worse a worm or bugs are in it? ICK!!!

But what a difference when you eat fruit that is not only beautiful on the outside, but sweet and juicy on the inside!

What kind of fruit are others seeing in our lives. What kind of fruit do you want others to see?

The fruit of the Ruach Ha Kodesh is the manifestation of the life of Messiah working in our lives. It is the nature of G-d Himself, for the Ruach HaKodesh is G-d, it is His Ruach HaKodesh living within the believer wanting to manifest Himself in our lives for others to see.

Yahweh wants fruit to abound in our lives.

He wants love to abound

He wants joy to abound

He wants peace to abound

He wants patience to abound

He wants kindness to abound

He wants goodness to abound

He wants faithfulness to abound

He wants humility to abound

He wants self control to abound

He wants FRUIT to abound for His Glory

This takes work, it takes study, it takes putting into practice the Torah/Word in our lives, it takes daily prayer and communion with the Father, it takes sitting at the feet of Yeshua daily for fruit to grow in our lives and it doesn't happen over night.

Vines Expository of New Testament Words gives these definitions of fruit:

Fruit in the Greek is KARPOS - Fruit is used

#1. of the fruit of trees, fields, the earth, that which is produced by the inherent energy of a living organism.

#2. of works or deeds, fruit being the visible expression of power working inwardly and invisibly. The character of the fruit being evidence of the character of the power producing it. It is the invisible power of the Holy Spirit/Ruach Ha Kodesh in those who are brought into living union with Christ/Messiah, produces the fruit of the Spirit.

Donald Gee "The Fruit of the Spirit"

John 15:5 says "Abide in me and I in you so shall ye bring forth much fruit"

"Chirst/Messiah within us can accomplish what we can never hope to do in our own strength and that continuous walking with Him will change the weakest of us into His image"

Webster - fruitfulness- bearing much fruit-producing much, productive, prolific, producing results or profitable.

"The fruits are our supernatural disposition that abides within us after we are saved and are not hindered by selfishness. The fruits are totally unselfish and all are attributes of God."

There are three major groups of fruit:

#1.-LOVE, JOY, PEACE - These come from our relationship with God.

#2. PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS - They bring about good fellowship and relationships with people

#3. FAITHFULLNESS, MEEKNESS, SELF-CONTROL - Are the overcoming fruits - Keep us in the right place.

The fruit of the Spirit/Ruach is the Life of Yahweh flowing out of you.

Psalm 1:1-3

The man who walks in the fruits of the ruach hakodesh

 How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers!
 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night.
 He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither;

And in whatever he does, he prospers.

Father In The Name of Yahshua, help me to produce the kind of fruit in my life that will make people hungry for Your Ways and Your Truth and Messiah Yeshua!

As we continue to count the Omer we will focus on the fruit and character traits YHWH wants to see in our lives.....Our example is Yeshua!

*Bible quotations are from the Amplifed, NASB and The Complete Jewish Bible

The Jewish New Testament, (Clarksville, MD: Jewish New Testament Publications) 1996. The Amplified New Testament, (La Habra CA: The Lockman Foundation) 1999. Week 1 Attribute 1 - Love/Ahava And Kindess/Chesed

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13 And so faith, hope, love abide [faith-conviction and belief respecting man's relation to God and divine things; hope-joyful and confident expectation of eternal salvation; love-true affection for God and man, growing out of God's love for and in us], these three; but the greatest of these is love.[5]

Three things last: trust, hope, love. The formula of "three great things" is common in Jewish literature. The same three appear in Colossians 1:4-5. Compare Micah 6:8, and this example from the Mishna:

"Rabban Shim'on ben-Gamli'el said, 'The world is sustained by three things: judgment, truth and peace, as it is said, "Execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates" (Zechariah 8:16).' " (Avot 1:18)

This is the kind of love that the early Congregation of Messiah lived and walked. Yeshua our Messiah is the perfect example of Love. He was Love manifest in the Flesh.

Love is the foundation or the Root of which all the other fruit receive their nourishment from. Love is the foundation of the 9 spiritual fruits and Yeshua is the Vine from which we receive our nourishment and strength from. John 13:35

35 By this shall all [men] know that you are My disciples, if you love one another [if you keep on showing love among yourselves].[6]

John 15:12

12 This is My commandment: that you love one another [just] as I have loved you.[7]

Matthew 19:19

19 Honor your father and your mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself. [Lev. 19:18; Matt. 22:39].[8]

Matthew 22:37-40

37 And He replied to him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind (intellect). [Deut. 6:5].

38 This is the great (most important, principal) and first commandment.

39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself. [Lev. 19:18].

40 These two commandments sum up and upon them depend all the Law and the Prophets[9]

Hebrew for the above verses which are recited weekly in Messianic Congregations as a reminder of Loving God and others along with the Shema

Veahav'tah et Adonai Eloecha b'chol l'vov-cha u-v'chol naf-she-cha u'v'chol m'oh-de-cha. Veahav'tah l'rei-acha kamocha. Bish'tak hamitsvot ha-eileh kol ha- to-rah t'lu-yah v'gam han'vi-im

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself. These two commandments sum up the whole of the torah and the prophets.

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai Eloheynu, Adonai echod. Baruch shem k'vod malchuto l'olam voed

Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Praised be His name, whose glorious majesty is forever and

James 2:8

8 If indeed you [really] fulfill the royal Law in accordance with the Scripture, You shall love your neighbor as [you love] yourself, you do well. [Lev. 19:18].[13]

From Everymans Talmud page 211 The Moral Life - Imitation of God

"To walk in all His ways (Deut. Xi 22) i.e. the characteristics of the Holy One, blessed be He, as it is said, 'The Lord, the Lord, a God full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy and truth" (Exod.xxxiv.6_) and it is said, "whosover shall be called by (sic) the name of the Lord shall be delivered: (Joel ii 32). But how is it possible for a man to be called by the name of the Holy One, blessed be He? As the All-present is called compassionate and gracious, so be you also compassionate and gracious, and offering free gifts to all. As the Holy One, blessed be He, is called righteous (Ps cxlv,17), be you also righteous; as He is called loving (ibid), be you also loving'(Sifre' Deut 49:8)

As we count the Omer to Shavuot, ask YHWH/G-d to manifest His fruit in a greater way then ever before in our lives to bring more glory to His Holy Name.

We need to ask the Father to do Spiritual Heart Surgery on us because our hearts can become clogged and hardened.

Pray Psalm 51



Week 1 Attribute 1 - Love/Ahava And Kindess/Chesed

Mark 12:31

30 And you shall love the Lord your God out of and with your whole heart and out of and with all your soul (your life) and out of and with all your mind (with your faculty of thought and your moral understanding) and out of and with all your strength. This is the first and principal commandment. [Deut. 6:4, 5].

31 The second is like it and is this, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these. [Lev. 19:18].[3]

Everymans Talmud[4] p. 212 II Brotherly Love

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Another expression of the same idea is the following: "What message did the Torah bring to Israel?" Take upon yourselves the yoke of the kingdom of heaven, vie one with the other in the fear of God and practice loving deeds towards one another" (Sifre' Deut. 323;138b)

Matthew 5:43-44

43 "You have heard that our fathers were told, 'Love your neighbor-and hate your enemy.' 44 But I tell you, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! 45 Then you will become children of your Father in heaven. For he makes his sun shine on good and bad people alike, and he sends rain to the righteous and the unrighteous alike[5] Everymans Talmud[6] p. 216 II Brotherly Love

"No finer summary of the Rabbinic teaching on the subject of brotherly love could be suggested than the pithy epigram "Who is mighty? He who turns an enemy into his friend" (ARN xxIII)

Probably the greatest challenge we face daily as Messianic Believers is to walk in love with others, especially those outside the household of God. It is easy to love those who love you, but the challenge comes when we are told to love those who hate us. But if we are going to be true followers of Messiah Yeshua, then this needs to be a priority in our lives.

What did Yeshua say about how we should walk, He was and still is the greatest Torah teacher that every lived because He Is The Livingn Torah and showed us how how we should walk and live in the Spirit.

Galatians 5:13-16

13 For you, brethren, were [indeed] called to freedom; only [do not let your] freedom be an incentive to your flesh and an opportunity or excuse [for selfishness], but through love you should serve one another.

14 For the whole Law [concerning human relationships] is complied with in the one precept, You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself. [Lev. 19:18].

15 But if you bite and devour one another [in partisan strife], be careful that you [and your whole fellowship] are not consumed by one another.

16 But I say, walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit [responsive to and controlled and guided by the Spirit]; then you will certainly not gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh (of human nature without God).[10]

Help me today to be the servant you want me to be, and purge me from the works of the flesh that I might serve my brothers and sisters In Messiah.

Pray Psalm 23



Week 1 Attribute 1 - Love/Ahava And Kindess/Chesed

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

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Mar 12:28 One of the Torah-teachers came up and heard them engaged in this discussion. Seeing that Yeshua answered them well, he asked him, "Which is the most important mitzvah of them all?"

Mar 12:29 Yeshua answered, "The most important is, 'Sh'ma Yisra'el, Adonai Eloheinu, Adonai echad [Hear, O Isra'el, the Lord our God, the Lord is one],

Mar 12:30 and you are to love Adonai your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your understanding and with all your strength.'

Mar 12:31 The second is this: 'You are to love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other mitzvah greater than these." Complete Jewish Bible

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Mat 5:38 "You have heard that our fathers were told, 'Eye for eye and tooth for tooth.' Mat 5:39 But I tell you not to stand up against someone who does you wrong. On the contrary, if someone hits you on the right cheek, let him hit you on the left cheek too!

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Mat 5:40 If someone wants to sue you for your shirt, let him have your coat as well! Mat 5:41 And if a soldier forces you to carry his pack for one mile, carry it for two!

Mat 5:42 When someone asks you for something, give it to him; when someone wants to borrow something from you, lend it to him.

Mat 5:43 "You have heard that our fathers were told, 'Love your neighbor - and hate your enemy.'

Mat 5:44 But I tell you, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you!

Mat 5:45 Then you will become children of your Father in heaven. For he makes his sun shine on good and bad people alike, and he sends rain to the righteous and the unrighteous alike.

Mat 5:46 What reward do you get if you love only those who love you? Why, even tax-collectors do that!

Mat 5:47 And if you are friendly only to your friends, are you doing anything out of the ordinary? Even the Goyim do that!

Mat 5:48 Therefore, be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. Complete Jewish Bible

Probably the greatest challenge we face daily as Messianic Believers is to walk in love with others, especially those outside the household of God. It is easy to love those who love you, but the challenge comes when we are told to love those who hate us. But if we are going to be true followers of Messiah Yeshua, then this needs to be a priority in our lives. So how do we love our enemies? By praying for them that they will come to know Yeshua as their Savior and Master! Praying that they will be delivered from their hate and be filled with HisLove.

We need to walk in the footsteps of our Rabbi and Master Yeshua.

Mat 10:24 "A talmid is not greater than his rabbi, a slave is not greater than his master. Mat 10:25 It is enough for a talmid that he become like his rabbi, and a slave like his master. Now if people have called the head of the house Ba`al-Zibbul, how much more will they malign the members of his household! CJB

He was and still is the greatest Torah teacher that every lived because He Is The Livingn Torah and showed us how how we should walk and live In Him.

Galatians 5:13-16

13 For you, brethren, were [indeed] called to freedom; only [do not let your] freedom be an incentive to your flesh and an opportunity or excuse [for selfishness], but through love you should serve one another.

14 For the whole Law [concerning human relationships] is complied with in the one precept, You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself. [Lev. 19:18].

15 But if you bite and devour one another [in partisan strife], be careful that you [and your whole fellowship] are not consumed by one another.

16 But I say, walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit [responsive to and controlled and guided by the Spirit]; then you will certainly not gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh (of human nature without God).[10]

Help me to today to walk in the foosteps of my Master Yeshua. I know my spirit is willing, but my flesh is weak. Help me to walk in the power of your Ruach Ha Kodesh that I might be a doer of the Torah/Word and not a hearer only.

Pray Psalm 23



Week 1 Attribute 1 - Love/Ahava And Kindess/Chesed

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

1 Corinthians 13:1-14

I may speak in the tongues of men, even angels; but if I lack love, I have become merely blaring brass or a cymbal clanging.

I may have the gift of prophecy, I may fathom all mysteries, know all things, have all faith - enough to move mountains; but if I lack love, I am nothing.

I may give away everything that I own, I may even hand over my body to be burned; but if I lack love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind, not jealous, not boastful, not proud, rude or selfish, not easily angered, and it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not gloat over other people's sins but takes its delight in the truth.

Love always bears up, always trusts, always hopes, always endures.

Love never ends; but prophecies will pass, tongues will cease, knowledge will pass. For our knowledge is partial, and our prophecy partial; but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass.

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, thought like a child, argued like a child; now that I have become a man, I have finished with childish ways.

For now we see obscurely in a mirror, but then it will be face to face. Now I know partly; then I will know fully, just as God has fully known me. 1Co 13:13 But for now, three things last - trust, hope, love; and the greatest of these is love. Complete Jewish Bible Translation

Complete Jewish New Testament Commentary David H Stern*

13:1-14:1a This hymn, which can stand alone yet fits its context perfectly, is the great "love chapter," just as Messianic Jews 11 is the great "faith chapter" and chapter 15 below the great "resurrection chapter." Love is "the best way of all" (12:31) because it "fulfills the entire *Torah*" (Ro 13:8-10, *Ga* 5:14; see also Mt 22:34-40, Ya 2:8). The word in Greek for "love" is "agape \mathcal{F} ," defined in the New Testament (by passages such as this chapter, Yo 3:16, 17:23-26 and 1 Yn 2:5-4:21) as giving of and from oneself; love expresses itself in acts of benevolence, kindness and mercy in which heart, mind and will are united because they are motivated and empowered by God. Such love goes beyond what one can generate of oneself, because it has its origin in God. When such love is experienced by one person from another, the experience is of God's love channeled through that other.

Some Christian commentators stress the supposed uniqueness and superiority of $agape \not\in$ over the ahavah ("love") and chesed ("loving-kindness") of the Tanakh. But this is surely a false distinction, for the love of God is not different now from what it was then; nor is it more available now than before. This false differentiation has opened the way for Jewish critics such as Leo Baeck (in *The Essence of Judaism*) to present New Testament religion as romantic, based on mere feelings. Rather, the New Testament expositions of agape $\not\in$ clarify the nature of the very ahavah and chesed spoken of in the *Tanakh*.[3].

YHWH/G-d is the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever! Yeshua is His Love Gift To The World. Joh 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only and unique Son, so that everyone who trusts in him may have eternal life, instead of being utterly destroyed.

Joh 15:8

This is how my Father is glorified - in your bearing much fruit; this is how you will prove to be my talmidim.

Joh 15:9

"Just as my Father has loved me, I too have loved you; so stay in my love.

Joh 15:10

If you keep my commands, you will stay in my love - just as I have kept my Father's commands and stay in his love.

Joh 15:11

I have said this to you so that my joy may be in you, and your joy be complete.

Joh 15:12

"This is my command: that you keep on loving each other just as I have loved you. Joh 15:13

No one has greater love than a person who lays down his life for his friends.

As Believers In Messiah Yeshua Our Master Can we show any less love for one another? Read John 17

Pray 1 Corinthians 13

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Week 2 /Attribute 2 - Vigor/Discipline (Gevurah)

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Hide Your face from my sins And blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from Your presence And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation And sustain me with a willing spirit.

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Week 2 / Attribute 2 - Vigor/Discipline (Gevurah)

"For I am the Lord your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy. And you shall not make yourselves unclean with any of the swarming things that swarm on the earth. For I am the Lord who brought you up from the land of Egypt to be your God; thus you shall be holy, for I am holy" (Leviticus 11:44-45).

"Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Yeshua the Messiah. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy'" (1 Peter 4:13-16).

Are we vigorously pursuing His Ways, His Holiness? Are we walking in the Discipline and admonition of YHVH by being obedient and forsaking the former way of life that we walked in? Or our we holding tightly to the traditions of men vs YHVW/G-ds Ways.

In Revelation 2 & 3 Yeshua is calling His Body to Repentance. Do some of these rebukes apply to us? Do we have ears to hear what He is saying or have we hardened our hearts to the truth of Yeshua Ha Mashiach.

Please read all of Revelation Chapters 2 & 3.

These same words He is speaking through His Ruach HaKodesh to the Believing Community today. As we look at these Communities that Yeshua loved, yet corrected & disciplined, do we see ourselves? Do we have ears to hear what He is saying?

During this time of counting the days until Shavuot let His Ruach HaKodesh do His work in your life. He is calling us to Repent! Notice He is speaking to Believers in the following verses. It is time to do some house cleaning. He is starting to seperate the wheat from the chaff.

People are crying out for Revival, what they need is to be Restored or Restoration back to His Ways and His Truth.

According to Websters Dictionary (the 1800 Version) restored means

<u>RESTO'RED</u>, pp. Returned; brought back; retrieved; recovered; cured; renewed; reestablished.

The true Revival The Church has been crying out for is happening all around the World right under their noses but they can not see....<u>It is a return to His Ways and His Truth. His Times</u> <u>and His Seasons, His Cycles of Righteousness, His Torah through His Son Our Messiah</u> <u>Yeshua! It is a return to our Hebraic Heritage In Messiah!</u>

<u>Restoration</u>

RESTORA'TION, n. [L. restauro.]

1. The act of replacing in a former state.

2. Renewal; revival; re-establishment; 3. Recovery; renewal of health and soundness; as restoration from sickness or from insanity.

4. Recovery from a lapse or any bad state; as the restoration of man from apostasy.

5. In theology, universal restoration, the final recovery of all men from sin and alienation from God, to a state of happiness; universal salvation.

(All Scripture Quotes Are From The Complete Jewish Bible)

#1 To The Messianic Community In Ephesus

Rev 2:3 You are persevering, and you have suffered for my sake without growing weary. Rev 2:4 But I have this against you: you have lost the love you had at first.

#2 To The Messianic Community In Smyrna

Rev 2:10 Don't be afraid of what you are about to suffer. Look, the Adversary is going to have some of you thrown in prison, in order to put you to the test; and you will face an ordeal for ten days. Remain faithful, even to the point of death; and I will give you life as your crown. Rev 2:11 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. He who wins the victory will not be hurt at all by the second death."

#3 To The Messianic Community In Permagamom

Rev 2:14 Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: you have some people who hold to the teaching of Bil`am, who taught Balak to set a trap for the people of Isra'el, so that they would eat food that had been sacrificed to idols and commit sexual sin.

Rev 2:15 Likewise, you too have people who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans.

Rev 2:16 Therefore, turn from these sins. Otherwise, I will come to you very soon and make war against them with the sword of my mouth.

Rev 2:17 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. To him winning the victory I will give some of the hidden man. I will also give him a white stone, on which is written a new name that nobody knows except the one receiving it." '

#4 To The Messianic Community In Thyatira

Rev 2:19 I know what you are doing, your love, trust, service and perseverance. And I know that you are doing more now than before.

Rev 2:20 But I have this against you: you continue to tolerate that Izevel woman, the one who claims to be a prophet, but is teaching and deceiving my servants to commit sexual sin and eat food that has been sacrificed to idols.

#5 To The Messianic Community In Sardis

Here is the message from the one who has the sevenfold Spirit of God and the seven stars: "I know what you are doing - you have a reputation for being alive, but in fact you are dead! Rev 3:2 Wake up, and strengthen what remains, before it dies too! For I have found what you are doing incomplete in the sight of my God.

Rev 3:3 So remember what you received and heard, and obey it, and turn from your sin! For if you don't wake up, I will come like a thief; and you don't know at what moment I will come upon you.

#6 To The Messianic Community in Philadelphia

Rev 3:8 "I know what you are doing. Look, I have put in front of you an open door, and no one can shut it. I know that you have but little power, yet you have obeyed my message and have not disowned me.

Rev 3:10 Because you did obey my message about persevering, I will keep you from the time of trial coming upon the whole world to put the people living on earth to the test.

This is the type of Messianic Community Yeshua approved of! They loved Yeshua and obeyed His Torah! They persevered but did not compromise His Commandments! They did not deny the truth just so they could be excepted by the world or those who reject Messiah and His Torah. They held fast and kept the Torah and Faith In Yeshua. This is the Messianic Community that He promised "to keep from the time of trial coming upon the whole world" Selah!

Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments (Torah) of God and the faith of Yeshua.

#7 To The Messianic Community In Laodacia

Rev 3:15 "I know what you are doing: you are neither cold nor hot. How I wish you were either one or the other!

Rev 3:16 So, because you are lukewarm, neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of my mouth! Rev 3:17 For you keep saying, 'I am rich, I have gotten rich, I don't need a thing!' You don't know that you are the one who is wretched, pitiable, poor, blind and naked!

To All Of His Children

Rev 3:19 As for me, I rebuke and discipline everyone I love; so exert yourselves, and <u>turn from</u> <u>your sins</u>!

Rev 3:20 Here, I'm standing at the door, knocking. If someone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he will eat with me.

Rev 3:21 I will let him who wins the victory sit with me on my throne, just as I myself also won the victory and sat down with my Father on his throne.

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Write down what the Ruach HaKodesh Is Saying To You Today, Repent where you need to repent an obey what He is telling you in His Word to do.

"First Fruits of Zion"

"The Torah is the textbook for training the believer in Messiah for life - as such it is the foundation upon which all of the teachings of the Brit Hadasha are built"



Week 2 / Attribute 2 - Vigor/Discipline (Gevurah)

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Challange To A Permissive Society

Neh 13:23 Also during this time I saw the Judeans who had married women from Ashdod, `Amon and Mo'av;

Neh 13:24 and their children, who spoke half in the language of Ashdod and couldn't speak in the language the Judeans spoke but only in the language of each people.

Neh 13:25 I disputed with them and cursed them, and I beat some of them up and pulled out their hair. Then I made them swear by God, "You will not give your daughters as wives for their sons or take their daughters as wives for your sons or for yourselves.

Neh 13:26 Wasn't it by doing these things that Shlomo king of Isra'el sinned? There was no king like him among many nations, and his God loved him, and God made him king over all Isra'el; nevertheless the foreign women caused even him to sin.

Neh 13:27 Are we to give in to you and let you continue in this very great evil, breaking faith with our God by marrying foreign women?"

Neh 13:28 One of the sons of Yoyada the son of Elyashiv, the cohen hagadol, had become sonin-law to Sanvalat the Horoni; so I drove him out of my presence.

Neh 13:29 My God, remember them; because they have defiled the office of cohen and the covenant of the cohanim and L'vi'im.

Neh 13:30 Thus I cleansed them of everything foreign, and I had the cohanim and L'vi'im resume their duties, each one in his appointed task.

Neh 13:31 I also made provision for the delivery of wood at stated times, and for the firstfruits. My God, remember me favorably.

2Co 6:14 Do not yoke yourselves together in a team with unbelievers. For how can righteousness and lawlessness be partners? What fellowship does light have with darkness? 2Co 6:15 What harmony can there be between the Messiah and B'liya` al? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?

2Co 6:16 What agreement can there be between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God - as God said, "I will house myself in them, . . . and I will walk among you. I will be their God, and they will be my people."

2Co 6:17 Therefore Adonai says, " 'Go out from their midst; separate yourselves; don't even

touch what is unclean. Then I myself will receive you. 2Co 6:18 In fact, I will be your Father, and you will be my sons and daughters.' says Adonai-Tzva'ot."

(Scriptures from the Complete Jewish Bible Translation)

We are currently doing a study on Ezra/Nehemiah and there is such a strong parraell to what YHVW is doing today, perparing us to return to the Land and the return of our Messiah Yeshua. These teachings are available on our website <u>http://www.deborahsmessianicministries.com</u>.

YHVW is calling us out of Babylon and the Pagan ways that have infiltrated His Congregation that call themselves by His Name and telling us to Come Out Of Her (Babylon) and be seperate! We are to return to His Ways and repent (Teshuvah) of our compromise of His Word.

Rev 18:1 After these things, I saw another angel coming down from heaven. He had great authority, the earth was lit up by his splendor.

Rev 18:2 He cried out in a strong voice, "She has fallen! She has fallen! Bavel the Great! She has become a home for demons, a prison for every unclean spirit, a prison for every unclean, hated bird.

Rev 18:3 "For all the nations have drunk of the wine of God's fury caused by her whoring - yes, the kings of the earth went whoring with her, and from her unrestrained love of luxury the world's businessmen have grown rich."

Rev 18:4 Then I heard another voice out of heaven say: "My people, <u>come out of her! so that you</u> <u>will not share in her sins</u>, so that you will not be infected by her plagues.

Rev 18:5 for her sins are a sticky mass piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes.

YHVW is calling His people out of Babylon, just as He did in Ezra and Nehemiah's time. If we insist on keeping Babylon's ways, we will receive her judgement as well. If we Come Out Of Her we will walk in the secret place of the Most High!

Read Psalm 91



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

G-d always Disciplines us with love....He showed His Great Love by Giving us Messiah Yeshua to pay the price for our sins. John 3:16

"A Quote From Meaningful Life" (ignore previous link, this was an error).

Tiferet of Gevurah

Not just love but compassion has to drive discipline. Love comes from recognizing one's merits and positive qualities (discipline channels and directs those strengths and weeds out the negative). Compassion is unconditional love. It is love just for the sake of love, not considering the others position. Tiferet is a result of total selflessness in the eyes of G-d. You love for no reason; you love because you are a refelection of G-d.

Also We need to Discipline ourselves daily against the works of the flesh...It is always easier to see and criticize someone elses faults and be blind to our own.

Gal 5:16 What I am saying is this: <u>run your lives by the Spirit</u>. Then you will not do what your old nature wants.

Gal 5:17 For <u>the old nature</u> wants what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit wants what is contrary to the old nature. These oppose each other, so that you find yourselves unable to carry out your good intentions.

Gal 5:18 But <u>if you are led by the Spirit</u>, then you are not in subjection to the system that results from perverting the Torah into legalism.

Gal 5:19 And it is perfectly evident what the old nature does. It expresses itself in sexual immorality, impurity and indecency;

Gal 5:20 involvement with the occult and with drugs; in feuding, fighting, becoming jealous and getting angry; in selfish ambition, factionalism, intrigue

Gal 5:21 and envy; in drunkenness, orgies and things like these. I warn you now as I have warned you before: those who do such things will have no share in the Kingdom of God!

Gal 5:22 But <u>the fruit of the Spirit</u> is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

Gal 5:23 humility, self control. Nothing in the Torah stands against such things.

Gal 5:24 Moreover, those who belong to the Messiah Yeshua have put their old nature to death on the stake, along with its passions and desires.

Gal 5:25 Since it is through the Spirit that we have Life, let it also be through the Spirit that we order our lives day by day. (Complete Jewish Bible)

Colossians 3:5-10 Complete Jewish Bible

5 Therefore, <u>put to death the earthly parts of your nature-</u>sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed (which is a form of idolatry); 6 for it is because of these things that God's anger is coming on those who disobey him. 7 True enough, you used to practice these things in the life you once lived; 8 but now, put them all away-anger, exasperation, meanness, slander and obscene talk. 9 Never lie to one another; because you have stripped away the old self, with its ways, 10 and have put on the new self, which is continually being renewed in fuller and fuller knowledge, closer and closer to the image of its Creator.[2]

Yes, everyone wants the blessings, but we need to remember that obedience brings the blessings!

Click here for some of the<u>"If You"</u> scriptures for study.

1Sa 15:22 Sh'mu'el said, "Does Adonai take as much pleasure in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obeying what Adonai says? <u>Surely obeying is better than sacrifice</u>, and heeding orders than the fat of rams.

David Alsobrouk

"Any love, affection or worship which rightfully belongs to God, but is not given to Him, is idolatry"



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This is especially applicable to us who are leaders and teachers of His Word.

Deu 3:23 "Then I pleaded with Adonai,

Deu 3:24 'Adonai Elohim, you have begun to reveal your greatness to your servant, and your strong hand - for what other god is there in heaven or on earth that can do the works and mighty deeds that you do?

Deu 3:25 Please! Let me go across and see the good land on the other side of the Yarden, that wonderful hill-country and the L'vanon!'

Deu 3:26 But Adonai was angry with me on account of you, and he didn't listen to me. Adonai said to me, 'Enough from you! Don't say another word to me about this matter!

Deu 3:27 Climb up to the top of Pisgah and look out to the west, north, south and east. Look with your eyes - but you will not go across this Yarden.

Deu 3:28 However, commission Y'hoshua, encourage him and strengthen him; for he will lead this people across and enable them to inherit the land that you will see.'

Deu 3:29 So we stayed in the valley across from Beit-P` or.

Why was YHVW so harsh with Moshe? If anyone deserved to cross over to the promised land surely he did.What did YHVW/G-d discipline him this way?

Tim Hegg gives a good explanation of this.

Why, then, would not G-d have received the sincere request of Moses? The answer lies in the very reason that G-d prescribed the consequences of Moses disobedience in the first place

Num 20:7 Adonai said to Moshe,

Num 20:8 "Take the staff, assemble the community, you and Aharon your brother; and before their eyes, <u>tell the rock</u> to produce its water. You will bring them water out of the rock and thus enable the community and their livestock to drink."

Num 20:9 Moshe took the staff from the presence of Adonai, as he had ordered him. Num 20:10 But after Moshe and Aharon had assembled the community in front of the rock, he said to them, "Listen here, you rebels! Are we supposed to bring you water from this rock?" Num 20:11 Then <u>Moshe raised his hand and hit the rock twice</u> with his staff. Water flowed out in abundance, and the community and their livestock drank.

Num 20:12 But Adonai said to Moshe and Aharon, "Because you did not trust in me, so as to cause me to be regarded as holy by the people of Isra'el, you will not bring this community into the land I have given them."

Moses is demonstrating to us that his punishment was necessary in order to teach the true character or nature of YHVW/G-d when it comes to how His attributes of grace and justice must coexists. <u>Our actions-our deeds-have consequences.</u> (For the full teaching go to <u>Torah</u> <u>Resources</u>.

In other words, if Moses was allowed as a leader to disregard YHVW instructions then all of Israel would follow his example and not show respect to who He is and that He says what He means and means what He says.

Are we not doing the same thing today when we refuse to keep His Shabbat and His Feasts saying we do not have. Do we love the traditions of men more then His Word? Didn't He say they were His Feasts (Lev 23) that were to be kept forever? Wasn't Yeshua obedient to Him in ALL things and obeyed Him in every way which included keeping the Feasts and Shabbat and obeying His Torah? If Yeshua is our Master, shoudn't we be walking in His footsteps? By our actions and disobedience are we causing others to disregard the Holiness of YHVW and the message of Yeshua HaMashiach?

This should cause us, who teach the Word, to tremble at His Word and His Holiness.

Jas 3:1 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, since you know that we will be judged more severely.

Jas 3:2 For we all stumble in many ways; if someone does not stumble in what he says, he is a mature man who can bridle his whole body.



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Run The Race

Heb 12:1 So then, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us, too, put aside every impediment - that is, the sin which easily hampers our forward movement - and keep running with endurance in the contest set before us,

Heb 12:2 looking away to the Initiator and Completer of that trusting, Yeshua - who, in exchange for obtaining the joy set before him, endured execution on a stake as a criminal, scorning the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Heb 12:3 Yes, think about him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you won't grow tired or become despondent.

Heb 12:4 You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in the contest against sin. Heb 12:5 Also you have forgotten the counsel which speaks with you as sons: "My son, don't despise the discipline of Adonai or become despondent when he corrects you.

Heb 12:6 For Adonai disciplines those he loves and whips everyone he accepts as a son." Heb 12:7 Regard your endurance as discipline; God is dealing with you as sons. For what son goes undisciplined by his father?

Heb 12:8 All legitimate sons undergo discipline; so if you don't, you're a mamzer and not a son! Heb 12:9 Furthermore, we had physical fathers who disciplined us, and we respected them; how much more should we submit to our spiritual Father and live!

Heb 12:10 For they disciplined us only for a short time and only as best they could; but he disciplines us in a way that provides genuine benefit to us and enables us to share in his holiness. Heb 12:11 Now, all discipline, while it is happening, does indeed seem painful, not enjoyable; but for those who have been trained by it, it later produces its peaceful fruit, which is righteousness. (Complete Jewish Bible)

Now more then ever before we need to keep our eyes upon His Word, which gives us strength to run the race. Whenever I read a story about those who have been martyred and Yom Ha Shoa (The Holocaust) I pray, Father let me be strong like they were if I ever have to face such a test of my faith.

We have just finished remembering the victims of those who were murdered during Yom Ha Shoah and vowing never to let this happen again! Yet even today many believers are facing great tests of their faith and even martyrdom for their faith in Yeshua, and still the world is silent. Israel is being threatened daily with rockets and surrounded by enemies who want to see her fall and the world is looking the other way or worse trying to get Israel to give up thier land!

We are starting to see a falling away from the Word and people who call themselves Christians are falling into apostacy and even allowing New Age teaching into their Churches. Anti Semitism is on the rise in Europe and the World is preparing for the Anti-Messiah! When you read the news and see what is happening it can become overwelming except for the fact that we know YHVW/G-d is in control and that we need to continue to run the race and stay in the secret place of the most High and under the Shadow of the Almighty! (Psalm 91)

We are truly living in a time of Restoration for those who have ears to hear what His Spirit is speaking to His Bride. He is gathering and regathering His people for His return. Ezekial 37 and following is beginning to be fulfilled in our days as we see many Jewish people coming to faith in Messiah and many believers returning to the true faith of Messiah and His Torah and returning to the Jewish Roots of their faith.



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Holiness Is Beautiful

Mat 5:29 If your right eye makes you sin, gouge it out and throw it away! Better that you should lose one part of you than have your whole body thrown into Gei-Hinnom.

Mat 5:30 And if your right hand makes you sin, cut it off and throw it away! Better that you should lose one part of you than have your whole body thrown into Gei-Hinnom. (CJB)

Pluck my eye out? Cut my hand off? What did Yeshua mean in Mattityahu/Matthew 5:29-30? If we were to take this literally, I would guess that 95% of all believers (including myself) would be blind and without hands, not a very pretty picture. What was Yeshua trying to get across to his talmidim ?

Ron Mosely in "Yeshua a guide to the Real Jesus and the Original Church" p. 26 explains what this means.

"This verse seems absolutely absurd when taken out of its Jewish context, it is a clear example of one of the most common Jewish teaching methods of Yeshua/Jesus day, a method known as "Kal-Ve-Chomer" light and heavy. This method was used by Yeshua/Jesus repeatedly to contrast the two stages of sin, the first state being the lighter and the second stage the heavier. The purpose behind this method was to teach the principle that if we nip a sin in the bud while it is still in the light stage, or as Yeshua/Jesus says "Pluck it out" or "cut it off" it can be prevented from ever reaching the far more destructive heavy stage."

Here Yeshua is telling us how to live holy lives, if we keep our eyes from evil, then the thoughts will not become actions that will cause us to backslide and sin. Daily we need to make decisions about what we will watch, read and partake of in order to protect ourselves from walking into a sinful situation. To live a sanctified life, is to daily make the right choices to follow and live out His Word and to keep ourselves from evil. We need to daily renew our minds with the Word of G-d, His Torah and daily confess any sins that have hindered our walk with Adonai. We need to tell our body what to do, not let our body tell us what to do, if we walk in the power of the Ruach/HaKodesh we will not fulfill the lust of the flesh. Galatians 5:16-26.

To walk in holiness is a daily refining process, as we make holy sanctified choices, we go from glory to glory. I am not just talking about choices in the natural, I am also talking about choices in the spirit also of walking by faith vs fear, walking in trust vs worry, speaking good words (in agreement with the Torah/Word) or speaking evil words (In agreement with satan).

Father YHVW, help me to make every action of my day, pleasing to you, in everything I do, in my thoughts and in the words of my mouth, and in the meditations of my heart. I will offer up the sacrifice of praise, even when my feelings tell me, I do not feel much like praising, let my life and actions come before your throne as a sweet smelling living sacrifice for Your glory.

1Ch 16:29 Ascribe unto the LORD the glory due unto His name; bring an offering, and come before Him; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. 1Ch 16:30 Tremble before Him, all the earth; the world also is established that it cannot be moved.

1Ch 16:31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; and let them say among the nations: 'The LORD reigneth.'

1Ch 16:32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; let the field exult, and all that is therein;

1Ch 16:33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing for joy, before the LORD, for He is come to judge the earth.

1Ch 16:34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good; for His mercy endureth for ever.

1Ch 16:35 And say ye: 'Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together and deliver us from the nations, that we may give thanks unto Thy holy name, that we may triumph in Thy praise.'

1Ch 16:36 Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting even to everlasting. And all the people said: 'Amen,' and praised the LORD. (JPS)



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Beauty Is His Love In Us And Who We Are In Him

Isa 53:1 'Who would have believed our report? And to whom hath the arm of the LORD been revealed?

Isa 53:2 For he shot up right forth as a sapling, and as a root out of a dry ground; he had no form nor comeliness, that we should look upon him, nor beauty that we should delight in him. Isa 53:3 He was despised, and forsaken of men, a man of pains, and acquainted with disease, and as one from whom men hide their face: he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Isa 53:4 Surely our diseases he did bear, and our pains he carried; whereas we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Isa 53:5 But he was wounded because of our transgressions, he was crushed because of our iniquities: the chastisement of our welfare was upon him, and with his stripes we were healed. (JPS)

Beauty- Strongs H1935 הוד ho[^]d hode From an unused root; grandeur (that is, an imposing form and appearance): - beauty, comeliness, excellency, glorious, glory, goodly, honour, majesty.

What drew men to Yahshua was His Love, His Compassion for those who were sick and downtrodden (Isa 61), His Wisdom, His intimate Knowledge of YHVW and His Teaching of Torah and finally His victory over death! He Is YHVW, Our Master, Our King! He Is Yeshua/Salvation to all those who would repent and call upon His Name and walk as He walked.

His gift of salvation has provided us with His healing promises, promises of deliverance, promises of our needs being met, promises of love, joy and peace, but most important His promise of eternal life and that someday we will rule and reign with Messiah.

What does Holiness look like? It looks like the fruit of the Ruach HaKodesh, it looks like

Yeshua. "But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self control, against such things there is no law. Gal. 5:23 This is real Beauty.

Now those who belong to Messiah Yeshua, have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Gal. 5:24-25

To walk in Holiness is to walk in the power of the Ruach HaKodesh/Holy Spirit and let His fruit daily manifest in our lives.

It Is Time To Return to Him Israel... He Is Waiting For You To Say Baruch HaBa B'Shem Adonai! It is time for those who call themself by His Name to come out of Bablyon and be seperated unto Him!

Hos 14:1(14:2) Return, Isra'el, to Adonai your God, for your guilt has made you stumble. Hos 14:2(14:3) Take words with you, and return to Adonai; say to him, "Forgive all guilt, and accept what is good; we will pay instead of bulls [the offerings of] our lips.

Hos 14:3(14:4) Ashur will not save us, we will not ride on horses, and we will no longer call what we made with our hands our gods. For it is only in you that the fatherless can find mercy." Hos 14:4(14:5) "I will heal their disloyalty, I will love them freely; for my anger has turned from him.

Hos 14:5(14:6) I will be like dew to Isra'el; he will blossom like a lily and strike roots like the L'vanon.

Hos 14:6(14:7) His branches will spread out, his beauty be like an olive tree and his fragrance like the L'vanon.

Hos 14:7(14:8) Again they will live in his shade and raise grain; they will blossom like a vine, and its aroma will be like the wine of the L'vanon.

Hos 14:8(14:9) Efrayim [will say], 'What have I to do any more with idols?' And I, I answer and affirm him; I am like a fresh, green cypress tree; your fruitfulness comes from me."

Hos 14:9(14:10) Let the wise understand these things, and let the discerning know them. For the ways of Adonai are straight, And the righteous walk in them, but in them sinners stumble.



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Beauty For Ashes

Isa 61:3 To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified." NKJV

Isa 61:3 (JFB Commentary) To appoint ... to give - The double verb, with the one and the same accusative, imparts glowing vehemence to the style.

beauty for ashes - There is a play on the sound and meaning of the Hebrew words, peer, epher, literally, "ornamental headdress" or tiara (Eze_24:17), worn in times of joy, instead of a headdress of "ashes," cast on the head in mourning (2Sa_13:19).

oil of joy - Perfumed ointment was poured on the guests at joyous feasts (Psa_23:5; Psa_45:7, Psa_45:8; Amo_6:6). On occasions of grief its use was laid aside (2Sa_14:2).

garment of praise - bright-colored garments, indicative of thankfulness, instead of those that indicate despondency, as sackcloth (Joh_16:20).

trees of righteousness - Hebrew, terebinth trees; symbolical of men strong in righteousness, instead of being, as heretofore, bowed down as a reed with sin and calamity (Isa_1:29, Isa_1:30; Isa_42:3; 1Ki_14:15; Psa_1:3; Psa_92:12-14; Jer_17:8).

planting of ... Lord - (See on Isa_60:21).

that he might be glorified - (Joh_15:8).

Psa 30:5(30:6) For His anger is but for a moment, His favour is for a life-time; weeping may tarry for the night, but joy cometh in the morning. NKJV

I know there are many out there that are going through rough times. Our families are being attacked, our finances, our health, our ministries are going through the fire, our children are not serving YHVW and many of us are in mourning and wondering what is going on? Sometimes we open the door for the enemy to attack us through disobedience and sometimes we are just being attacked because we are obeying. Each of us needs to seek His face in our own lives and search our hearts and repent where we need to repent and stand when we need to stand, always keeping our eyes upon Him.

This is for you.....

He has promised to console those who mourn in Zion

He said he would give us beauty for ashes (ashes are a sign of great distress and mourning)

He said he would give us the oil of joy

He said he would give us a garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness

Why? That we might be called Trees of Righteousness-That we would become strong In our faith/trust in who He is and that we would learn to stand firm on His word no matter what we might have to face.

He has promised us that even though there may be weeping through the night, joy comes in the morning.

We need to cling to His promises even when it seems everything around us is falling apart, because He is our faithful YHVH Elohim.

He has promised us by His Name (Click link for Names of G-d)

Click Here To Hear The Song <u>"Trading My Sorrows"</u>

Yeshua also promised

Mat 5:3 "How blessed are the poor in spirit! for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. Mat 5:4 "How blessed are those who mourn! for they will be comforted.

Mat 5:5 "How blessed are the meek! for they will inherit the Land!

Mat 5:6 "How blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness! for they will be filled.

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Mat 5:7 "How blessed are those who show mercy! for they will be shown mercy.

Mat 5:8 "How blessed are the pure in heart! for they will see God.

Mat 5:9 "How blessed are those who make peace! for they will be called sons of God.

Mat 5:10 "How blessed are those who are persecuted because they pursue righteousness! for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Mat 5:11 "How blessed you are when people insult you and persecute you and tell all kinds of vicious lies about you because you follow me! CJB

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In Times Of Persecution We Remember YHVW Compassion Towards Us

Psa 86:1[A prayer of David:] Listen, Adonai, and answer me, <u>for I am poor and needy.</u> Psa 86:2 <u>Preserve my life, for I am faithful; save your servant, who puts his trust in you</u> <u>because you are my God</u>.

Psa 86:3 Take pity on me, Adonai, for I cry to you all day.

Psa 86:4 <u>Fill your servant's heart with joy</u>, for to you, Adonai, I lift my heart.

Psa 86:5 Adonai, you are kind and forgiving, full of grace toward all who call on you.

Psa 86:6 Listen, Adonai, to my prayer; pay attention to my pleading cry.

Psa 86:7 On the day of my trouble I am calling on you, for you will answer me.

Psa 86:8 There is none like you among the gods, Adonai; no deeds compare with yours.

Psa 86:9 All the nations you have made will come and bow before you, Adonai; they will honor your name.

Psa 86:10 For you are great, and you do wonders; you alone are God.

Psa 86:11 <u>Adonai, teach me your way, so that I can live by your truth; make me single-hearted.</u> so that I can fear your name.

<u>Psa 86:12 I will thank you, Adonai my God, with my whole heart; and I will glorify your name</u> <u>forever.</u>

<u>Psa 86:13 For your grace toward me is so great! You have rescued me from the lowest part of</u> <u>Sh'ol.</u>

Psa 86:14 God, arrogant men are rising against me, a gang of brutes is seeking my life, and to you they pay no attention.

Psa 86:15 <u>But you, Adonai, are a merciful, compassionate God, slow to anger and rich in grace</u> and truth.

Psa 86:16 Turn to me, and <u>show me your favor</u>; strengthen your servant, save your slave-girl's son.

Psa 86:17 Give me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me will see it and be ashamed, because you, Adonai, have helped and comforted me.

Notice how many times in the above Psalm, David called upon YHVW GRACE! YHVW Grace is not only in the New Testament. He has alway been full of grace and mercy towards His people. It was His Grace and LOVE that caused Him to give His Only Begotten Son-John 3:16

David recognized that #1-He was poor and needy. All of his riches meant nothing without YHVH. Only YHVW had the power to preserve his life from his enemies and proceeds to remind YHVH of his faithfullness to him, but with humilty.

We also need to realize that without YHVW's Salvation/Yeshua we are poor and needy as well and only He can save us from the hands of our enemies.

When we face persecution, tests and trials

- We need to ask Him to fill us with His joy
- We need to put our trust in Him 24/7
- We need to be single hearted regarding obedience to His Torah/Word and fear (give awe and respect) to His Name
- We need to remember He is compassionate, slow to anger, full of grace and truth!
- And that He is our only hope of salvation

Let this prayer of David be our prayer today and trust in His compassion to deliver us out of the hands of our enemies.

Read Ephesians 6:10-24 and Psalm 23



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1Pe 3:8 Finally, all of you, be one in mind and feeling; love as brothers; and be compassionate and humble-minded,

1Pe 3:9 not repaying evil with evil or insult with insult, but, on the contrary, with blessing. For it is to this that you have been called, so that you may receive a blessing.

Tim Hagg - Lashon Hara

"What kind of things will Satan attempt to put in our path in order to cause us to fail in the mission Yeshua has designed for us? I believe his strategies may be multifaceted, but I want to emphasize just one in this essay....'lashon hara", "evil speech" or "slander". Perhaps nothing tears apart the ability of a congregation to work together in service more than the sin of slander -speaking in a derogatory way against a brother or sister. Unfortunately, everyone of us must admit that in one way or another, we have engaged in this sin and to one extent or another have therefore weakened our corporate ability to fulfill the mission Yeshua has designed for us against Satan's schemes. It was Mar, son of Ravina, who concluded his daily prayers with "My G-d, keep my tongue from evil and my lips from speaking guile", a prayer which was added to the Shemonie Esrei."

I have a sign in my office as a daily reminder "Lord put your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth"

Are we showing compassion when we tear one another apart by our words? We are all guilty of this and Yakov/James knew that the key to living a perfect life is found in controling what comes out of our lips.

Jas 3:2 For we all stumble in many ways; if someone does not stumble in what he says, he is a mature man who can bridle his whole body.

Jas 3:3 If we put a bit into a horse's mouth to make it obey us, we control its whole body as well.

Jas 3:4 And think of a ship - although it is huge and is driven by strong winds, yet the pilot can steer it wherever he wants with just a small rudder.

Jas 3:5 So too the tongue is a tiny part of the body, yet it boasts great things. See how alittle fire sets a whole forest ablaze!

Jas 3:6 Yes, the tongue is a fire, a world of wickedness. The tongue is so placed in our body that it defiles every part of it, setting ablaze the whole of our life; and it is set on fire by Gei-Hinnom itself.

A compassionate person is quick to put themselves in someone elses shoes to try to understand what they might be going through before opening their mouth and inserting foot!

If we expect people to have compassion for us, then we need to show compassion and walk humbly before others. Godly correction must be balanced with compassion as well.

When we speak evil/Lashon Hara we cause disunity and strife and it shows a great lack of compassion on our parts. We are to speak the truth in love, not cut each other ot ribbons with our mouth. I guarantee that when you harshly judge a brother or sister in Messiah you just might find yourself in that same situation and be in need of some compassion yourself, and you will not find it. There are spiritual rules that must be followed and it is a spiritual truth that we will reap what we sow-good or evil.

Some Words Of Wisdom Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzzatto - Path of the Just, ch.11

When someone has refused to help you or has harmed you in the past, it is considered "revenge" to refuse to do him a favor in return. It is considered "bearing a grudge" to do the favor - while reminding him of the harm he did.

The evil inclination ("yetzer hara") works on getting a person angry in order that he should get back at the other person, if not in a major way, at least in a minor way. The evil inclination tries to tell you, "If you want to give something to him - even though he refused to help you when you were in need - at least don't give it to him with a friendly smile. Don't help him too much. Don't be too close a friend with him; it's enough that you forgive him and don't consider him your enemy. Even if you do still want to be his friend, don't show him as much love as previously."

These are the ways the evil inclination tries to entice people. Therefore the Torah states an allencompassing principle: "Love your neighbor as yourself." "As yourself" means literally as yourself - without any difference or variation.

Forgiving People

If someone has wronged you and then shows sincere regret and asks for forgiveness, what should you do? Go out of your way to do positive things for him that will express your love and concern for him. In this way, you are encouraging him for realizing his mistake and doing the right thing to correct it.

MAY YESHUA OUR MESSIAH BE GLORIFIED IN EVERYTHING WE SAY AND DO AND MAY OUR PATH BE ONE THAT SEEKS TO WALK IN HIS FOOTSTEPS AND HIS LOVE AND COMPASSION.



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Ahavat ha Emet - Love of the Truth

Don't Open Your Mouth....When it is time to listen.

Proverbs 13:1 A wise son accepts his father's discipline, But a scoffer does not listen to rebuke.[3]

When we are corrected by the Word by our Rabbi/Pastor, or by brothers and sisters in the Messiah, we need to listen, pray about what was said and be wise and repent and make adjustments where necessary and not become easily offended.

If the rebuke is given in love to help you grow in your walk with Messiah, then receive it as such. Do not allow yourself to become offended by correction. Pride will cause you not to receive correction and will hinder your spiritual growth. I would rather be corrected in love with the Word by a brother or sister in Messiah then have someone say nothing to me especially if I am wrong about something I have taught or said. Remember G-d always uses His Word to correct us and a wise son accepts his father's discipline.

I will be the first to admit that when I am corrected, I do not necessarily like it, but I have learned to be wise and listen to correction and make the necessary adjustments in my life so I can grow in my walk with YHWH/G-d.

As parents when we correct our children, we do so because we love them and want them to succeed and not fail and what a joy it is when that child acknowledges that correction and obeys and what sorrow when that child rebels and will not give heed to correction, but chooses to rebel, bringing sorrow to himself and his family. Let us not be rebellious children of YHWH, but let us be those children who accept His disipline that He gives us because He loves us, so we

can succeed in all He has called us to do. Amen

It takes compassion to give correction because you do not want to see your children or brothers and sisters in Messiah take a path that leads to distruction.

We need to be truly remorseful and repent if we have destroyed others by our words instead of bringing correction with compassion. Life and Death are in the power of the tonque...! It is so easy to become entangled in the web of gossip instead of mercy and compassion.

Father Give Me A Tonque of Compassion and not LaShon Hara/Evil Speech that I would not bring harm to others.

A Chasidic tale illustrates the point: A man went about the community telling malicious lies about his Rabbi. Later, he realized the wrong he had done, and began to feel remorse. He went to the Rabbi and begged his forgiveness, saying he would do anything he could to make amends. The Rabbi told the man, "Take a feather pillow, cut it open, and scatter the feathers to the winds" The man thought that this was a strange request, but it was a simple enough task, and he did it gladly. When he returned to tell the Rabbi that he had done it, the Rabbi said. 'Now, go and gather the feathers. Because you can no more make amends for the damage your words have done than you can recollect the feathers."

Evil speaking of another has been compared to an arrow that once released cannot be stopped or recalled. Likewise, the words spoken once released cannot be stopped from harming their intended target. The character and soul of another. Mikahael ben Moshe



We have completed 2 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Harmony & Unity In Messiah

2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless, God's firm foundation stands, stamped with these words: "The Lord knows his own," and, "Let everyone who claims he belongs to the Lord stand apart from wrongdoing."

2Ti 2:20 In a large house there are dishes and pots not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay. That is, some are meant for honorable use and some for dishonorable.

2Ti 2:21 If a person keeps himself free of defilement by the latter, he will be a vessel set aside for honorable use by the master of the house and ready for every kind of good work.

2Ti 2:22 So, flee the passions of youth; and, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart, pursue righteousness, faithfulness, love and peace.

2Ti 2:23 But stay away from stupid and ignorant controversies - you know that they lead to fights,

2Ti 2:24 and a slave of the Lord shouldn't fight. On the contrary, he should be kind to everyone, a good teacher, and not resentful when mistreated.

2Ti 2:25 Also he should be gentle as he corrects his opponents. For God may perhaps grant them the opportunity to turn from their sins, acquire full knowledge of the truth,

2Ti 2:26 come to their senses and escape the trap of the Adversary, after having been captured alive by him to do his will.

1Co 1:10 Nevertheless, brothers, I call on you in the name of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah to agree, all of you, in what you say, and not to let yourselves remain split into factions but be restored to having a common mind and a common purpose.

He has called us out of darkness (Eygpt and Babylon) into His Marvelous Light (His Torah/ Teachings and Instructions) through the blood of Messiah. We will become one stick in His Hand because HE SAID SO! Ezekial 37 We are almost half way in our counting of the Omer to prepare our hearts to be refilled, that is, His Torah would be written even deeper in our hearts and His fire (anointing) would rest upon us and within us in a much greater way!

We need to repent of LaShon Hara against each other, because we are going to need each other more then ever as we prepare for His Return. We need to go to the Mikveh because He is coming for His Bride

Eph 5:27 in order to present the Messianic Community to himself as a bride to be proud of, without a spot, wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without defect.

I am told that in Israel the Rabbi will not perform a marriage without the bride going through the ritual Mikveh! The Mikveh of the Bride is a very holy process.

There must be Repentance Before The Mikveh. If our tongue defiles us, then we need to repent and be cleansed.

There are two components to repentance for speaking Lashon Hara/The Evil Tongue:

(1)) The sin between man and G-d: for the violation of any commandment; a person repents by:

- (a) regretting his actions
- (b) confessing his misdeed privately to G-d
- (c) committing to change his ways for the good

(2)) The sin between man and fellow man: for any harm that one person causes another; the offending party must:

- (a) try to make amends
- (b)) ask for forgiveness



We have completed 3 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Abba Father...Put your arm around my shoulders and your hand over my mouth.

Don't Open Your Mouth....If you words will be a poor reflection of the Master Yeshua to your friends and family

1Pe 2:22 "He committed no sin, nor was any deceit found on his lips."

1Pe 2:23 When he was insulted, he didn't retaliate with insults; when he suffered, he didn't threaten, but handed them over to him who judges justly.

1Pe 2:24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the stake, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness - by his wounds you were healed.

1Pe 2:25 For you used to be like sheep gone astray, but now you have turned to the Shepherd, who watches over you. (CJB)

Messiah Yeshua, is our example of how we are to act in the face of persecution.

When He was reviled and insulted, He did not revile or offer insult in return.

When He was abused and suffered, He made no threats of vengeance.

The carnal Believer that walks after the flesh will always react with wrong words when he is reviled or insulted. Everything we say and do is a reflection of the Master we serve, are our lives and words showing that we serve Messiah Yeshua? Or are our words showing the world that Ha satan is the master of our lives. We are to be Ruach/Spirit controlled at ALL times and this take discipline, but when we do the fruit of the Ruach/Spirit will become more evident in our lives and to those around us and bring glory to God.

As Believers who walk according to Torah and we proclaim Messiah Yeshua as our Master, we need to be accountable to one another for our actions and words and be quick to repent to one another.

We need to return to the practice in the Brit HaDasha that tells us to confess our faults and sins to one another so we will be healed. We are so full of pride and fear of rejection that we do not want to do this, however if we do, healing will come. That is what being a Messianic Community is about and it is what knits us together; when we learn to love, forgive and pray for one another.

Jas 5:16 Therefore, openly acknowledge your sins to one another, and pray for each other, so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Today, make the decision to follow after Messiah and His example and let Him be the Master of your life in every area, especially your words. May our lips speak forth words filled with Beauty, Harmony and Compassion as we await His return.

"The first step in avoiding Lashon hara is to recognize our own faults and commit to improving on them. When I accept that I alone am responsible for my inadequacies, then I will similarly be less critical and more tolerant of others. If you find yourself getting "Down" about yourself or others, try focusing away from the faults and instead on the virtues. It will lift you out of negativity. The Torah says: Don't take the easy way out.; Feeling down? Work hard to improve yourself" Mikahael ben Moshe



Week 4 /Attribute 4 - Victory/Endurance/Determination (Netzach)

We have completed 3 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Rev 2:7 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. To him winning the victory I will give the right to eat from the Tree of Life which is in God's Gan-`Eden." '

Rev 2:11 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. He who wins the victory will not be hurt at all by the second death."

Rev 2:17 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. To him winning the victory I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone, on which is written a new name that nobody knows except the one receiving it."

1Jn 5:2 Here is how we know that we love God's children: when we love God, we also do what he commands.

1Jn 5:3 For loving God means obeying his commands. Moreover, his commands are not burdensome,

1Jn 5:4 because everything which has God as its Father overcomes the world. And this is what victoriously overcomes the world: our trust.

1Jn 5:5 Who does overcome the world if not the person who believes that Yeshua is the Son of God

We are living in dangerous times, but he has called us to live victoriously through it all. Now more then ever we must be diligent to...

- Not forsake the assembling of ourselves together
- Daily Pray His Word for Protection
- Walk In Love
- Watch What We Say
- Read His Word Daily

- Be Diligent to Obey Him in ALL Things
- Learn Tp Hear His Voice for direction
- Have Trust in His Promises to take care of us and our families
- Stay out of Strife
- Pray, Pray, Pray
- Be Sober and Vigilent
- Do Not Fear
- Praise and Worship Him Daily
- Stay Obedient to His Torah
- Keep the Sabbath Holy
- Be Holy as He Is Holy in all you say and do

How to we abide under the shadow of His wings? Psalm 91

- We must stand in Faith and perseverance
- We must live a life of obedience to His known will
- We must live a life of humility, a life of selflessness, a walk that walks in the love of God and in His humility
- We must divorce ourselves from the world and the things of the world
- We must submit to Him and His word
- We must cleanse our souls from the love of the things of the world
- Empty life of self
- Get close to God through reading His Holy Torah/Word, Praise, Worship and Prayer

<u>Scriptures To Comfort You</u> <u>Healing</u>

<u>Who You Are In Messiah</u>

<u>Promises In His Word</u>

<u>Shemon Esrie Amidah</u>

The safest place in the world is under the shadow of His wings. He is saying to us today, we do not need to fear for what is going on around us, for He is with us. We do not have to be anxious, for He is Our God! During these times of tribulation upon the earth He has promised to strengthen us and help us and uphold us if we stay in union with Him.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Be Determined To Walk In YHVW/G-ds Righteous Ways And In His Love

Yacov/James 1:19-21 Complete Jewish Bible

19 Therefore, my dear brothers, let every person be quick to listen but slow to speak, slow to get angry;

20 for a man's anger does not accomplish God's righteousness!

21 So rid yourselves of all vulgarity and obvious evil, and receive meekly the Word implanted in you that can save your lives[2]

Wisdom from Yacov/James:

Vs. 19b Let every person be quick to listen, but slow to speak...

There are times when we need to learn the "Vocabulary of Silence", if we would listen more, our words would be words of the spirit and not of the flesh. It takes much self control, to control the tonque, any married couple can tell you that, most fights would stop in five minutes, if we did not have to be the one to get the last word in, so before you know it a little disagreement turns into hurtful words and quarreling and even divorce.

Vs. 19 but be slow to anger

In other words do not be quick to speak when you have anger inside of you, that is when you need to walk away and calm down and pray. The enemy loves to bring a spirit of strife into our marriages, family and Congregations, by being slow to anger we will not react in the flesh but let our words be filled with the wisdom and love of G-d, and as we do this G-d's righteousness will prevail.

Vs. 20 for a man's anger does not accomplish God's righteousness.

There is a difference between righteous anger. i.e. Yeshua's rebuke of the money changers in the temple, and His rebuke of certain Scribes and Pharisees, He was angered because of there total lack of respect for G-ds House of Prayer and for being hypocrites and because He knew that it was the spirit of saten behind their actions.

The anger in this verse is referring to bursts of anger, which can result in violence against another. It is an anger that acts before it thinks, and controlled by the passions and not the spirit. We can be righteously angry at the works of the enemy and the sorrow he causes such as war, poverty, sickness and bondage, but we need to walk in love with people. We need to listen, and give a soft answer because "A soft answer turns away wrath", your actions could very well bring someone who has rejected G-d all of his life into a relationship with the Holy One of Israel, YHWH or turn him away.

Jas 1:21 So rid yourselves of all vulgarity and obvious evil, and receive meekly the Word implanted in you that can save your lives.

James 1:21 goes on to tell us to rid ourselves of vulgarity (provanity, course speaking, telling dirty or lewd jokes, or even to listening to them) and obvious evil and to humble yourselves and submit (to submit is to obey, just like a servant would obey his master/boss) yourselves to the Torah/Word of G-d. Walking in the spirit, letting the Word dominate our actions can save our lives! and receive meekly the Word implanted in you that can save your lives[6]

Everymans Talmud p. 212, II "Brotherly Love"

R. Akiba said of the command, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as they self (leve xix 18) that is was 'a fundamental principle of the Torah' His colleague, Ben Azzai, cited as a principle of still greater importance, "This is the book of the generations of Adam...in the likeness of God made He him' (Gen.v1) (Sifra as loc). Universal love is here proclaimed not merely as the ideal advocated in the Torah but as the only true standard of human relationship. While this first Rabbi referred to the explicit commandment, the second teacher based the ideal on the doctrine that all human beings are descended from one ancestor and are therefore bound together by the kinship of a common origin, and also that they share one inestimable privilege, viz of having been created in the divine likeness. 'With a solemn warning was the declaration made. "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself" I (God) created him; and if you love him, I am faithful to repay you a good reward; but if you do not love him, I am the Judge to exact a penalty' (ARN xvi)."[3] (My Comment-I am only using these quotes as illustrations, it is not my intention to make them equal to scripture or the Words of Our Master Yeshua)

What did Our Master Yeshua Ha Mashiach have to say about this.....

So Who Is My Neighbor???

Luk 10:29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Yeshua, "And who is my 'neighbor'?" Read Luke 10:29-37 for the answer

Mark 12:30-31

28 One of the Torah-teachers came up and heard them engaged in this discussion. Seeing that Yeshua answered them well, he asked him, "Which is the most important mitzvah of them all?" 29 Yeshua answered, "The most important is,

'Sh'ma Israel, Adonai Eloheynu Adonai echad [Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one], 30 and you are to love Adonai your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your understanding and with all your strength."

31 The second is this:

'You are to love your neighbor as yourself.'

There is no other mitzvah greater than these." 32 The Torah-teacher said to him, "Well said, Rabbi; you speak the truth when you say that he is one, and that there is no other besides him; 33 and that loving him with all one's heart understanding and strength, and loving one's neighbor as oneself, mean more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." 34 When Yeshua saw that he responded sensibly, he said to him, "You are not far from the Kingdom of God." And after that, no one dared put to him another sheilah.[4]

Matthew 5:44

44 But I tell you, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! 45 Then you will become children of your Father in heaven. For he makes his sun shine on good and bad people alike, and he sends rain to the righteous and the unrighteous alike. 46 What reward do you get if you love only those who love you? Why, even tax-collectors do that! 47 And if you are friendly only to your friends, are you doing anything out of the ordinary? Even the Goyim do that! 48 Therefore, be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.[5]

May our prayer be today to YHVW/Hashem that in the Name of Yahshua He would confirm the work of our hands for His glory and for His Kingdom and that He would give us favor with whom we need favor with in order to do the work He has called us to. May He bring total Restoration and Shalom to both Houses of Israel, Judah and Ephraim In Messiah Yeshua Ha Mashiach.

Read Psalm 119: 1-8

Psa 119:1x (Alef) How happy are those whose way of life is blameless, who live by the Torah of Adonai!



Week 4 /Attribute 4 - Victory/Endurance/Determination (Netzach)

We have completed 3 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Endurance To The End

Rom 5:1 So, since we have come to be considered righteous by God because of our trust, let us continue to have shalom with God through our Lord, Yeshua the Messiah.

Rom 5:2 Also through him and on the ground of our trust, we have gained access to this grace in which we stand; so let us boast about the hope of experiencing God's glory.

Rom 5:3 But not only that, let us also boast in our troubles; because we know that trouble produces endurance,

Rom 5:4 endurance produces character, and character produces hope;

Rom 5:5 and this hope does not let us down, because God's love for us has already been poured out in our hearts through the Ruach HaKodesh who has been given to us.

Endurance produces character.....

Bereshit Rabbah 60.2

"A potter does not examine defective vessels, because he cannot give them a single blow without breaking them. What does he examine? Only the sound vessels, for he will not break them with many blows. Similarly, the Holy One, blessed be He, tests not the wicked but the righteous as it says "The Lord tries the righteous".

Jer 18:1-6 (KJV)

1The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words. 3Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels. 4And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it. 5Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 60 house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

Are we willing to be Clay in the Potters hands, so that he can mold us and make us into His image of holiness through Yeshua our Messiah and Master?

Heb 12:1 So then, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us, too, put aside every impediment - that is, the sin which easily hampers our forward movement - and keep running with endurance in the contest set before us,

Heb 12:2 looking away to the Initiator and Completer of that trusting, Yeshua - who, in exchange for obtaining the joy set before him, endured execution on a stake as a criminal, scorning the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Heb 12:3 Yes, think about him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you won't grow tired or become despondent. Complete Jewish Bible

Yacov/James 1:2 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, Yacov/James 1:3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. Yacov/James 1:4 And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

You will never know what you can endure or how strong your faith is if it is never tested. YHVW will call us to do the impossible, things that are beyond our natural ability but that require 100% faith/trust in Him to bring it to pass so that He will get the glory and we will learn to endure the pressure that comes when we are doing His will.

There is not one great man or woman of the Bible that did not have to learn how to endure in order to see victory. Hebrews 11

Read Psalm 119:9-16

Psa 119:9₂(Bet) How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Walk of Life - "Orach_Chayim"

Pro 4:10 Listen, my son, receive what I say, and the years of your life will be many. Pro 4:11 I'm directing you on the way of wisdom, guiding you in paths of uprightness; Pro 4:12 when you walk, your step won't be hindered; and if you run, you won't stumble. Pro 4:13 Hold fast to discipline, don't let it go; guard it, for it is your life.

He will give you victory, endurance and determination so you can walk The Walk Of Life in Messiah Yeshua.

He will put a song in your heart because He is our strength.

Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery. Psalms 81:1-2 (KJV)

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

Psalms 40:3 (KJV)

His Word strengthens us and gives us courage.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Josh 1:9 (KJV)

Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto

them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength. Neh 8:10 (KJV)

Find Something To Praise Him For Everyday!

Daniel Juster "Growing to Maturity"[3] A Messianic Jewish Guide

"Praise creates and bolsters faith. Praise is powerful. When we praise God in detail for who He is and what He has done, when we praise him constantly, we defeat Satan. Our spirits are revived and we can most readily believe the promises of the Word."

"When Corrie Ten Boom found herself in a lice-infested Nazi concentration camp barracks, she praised God for the Bible in her possession and taught the woman the Word. Trials are opportunities to show forth God's glory, to see Him work "No temptation has seized you except what is common to man.....God will also provide a way....1 Cor. 10:13. The believer can praise God in all circumstances; financial reversals, betrayals, and even death, because he knows and believes God's Word. The promises of the Word are so great!"

Read Psalm 119: 17-24 Psa 119:17 1 (Gimel) Deal generously with your servant; then I will live and observe your word



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Victory Comes From Dwelling In His Presense

Psa 91:1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Psa 91:2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

Vs 1 Dwelleth

H3427 _w; yashab BDB Definition:(Brown,Driver Briggs hebrew def) 1) to dwell, remain, sit, abide

The only place of safety is in His Presence daily. We are to remain in His presence 24/7. His Presence is our city of refuge, our Hiding Place. We are to LIVE In His Presense because that is where our strength comes from.

Vs 2 I will Say

H559 אמר 'amar BDB Definition: 1) to say, speak, utter

We need to proclaim, speak daily His Word and His Promises because He watches over His Word to perform it and the angels only hearken to His Word. We need to watch our words because G-d is listening as well. H5643 סתר / סתרה sether / sithrah BDB Definition: 1) covering, shelter, hiding place, secrecy (noun masculine)

When we pray the Daily prayers from the Siddur (prayer book), what are we praying? His Word. His Word is our covering and our daily food. It is our weapon against the advesary. Read Matthew 4

Pro 30:5 Every word of God's is pure; he shields those taking refuge in him.

His Refuge is the place of Faith/Trust and Prayer to The Most High.

Everyman's Talmud

"Faith finds its truest expression in the act of prayer, because only one who sincerely believes in God and His willingness to befriend His creatures addresses petitions to Him."

John G. Lake

"Faith is not manifested in shouts and yells.....It is the set faith of the soul that lays hold of G-d"

Daniel Juster "Growing to Maturity"[3] A Messianic Jewish Guide

"To the Eastern mind, a person's name represented the meaning and essence of the person. To ask in Yeshua's name is to ask on the basis of the authority of His Name since we are in Him. To use the name of an authority rightly, it must be used according to the character and expressed desire of the person whose name we use."

"God doe not give us believing faith for any request which is contrary to His written Word. He will not answer prayers which are selfishly motivated (James 4:3). We come before God in the Name of Yeshua because only by His redemption and in His authority do we have the right to come."

Are you believing the Bad Reports or His Word? Who's report will you believe? We will believe the Report of YHVW which is His Word.

Read Psalm 119: 18-25 Psa 119:257 (Dalet) I lie prostrate in the dust; revive me, in keeping with your word.



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Are You A Gideon Warrior?

Jdg 6:12 The angel of Adonai appeared to him and said to him: "You valiant hero! Adonai is with you!"

Jdg 6:13 "Excuse me, sir," answered Gid` on, "but if Adonai is with us, then why is all this happening to us? And where are all his miracles our ancestors told us about when they said, 'Didn't Adonai bring us up from Egypt?' For now Adonai has abandoned us and handed us over to Midyan."

Jdg 6:14 Adonai turned to him and said, "Go in this strength of yours and save Isra'el from the hands of Midyan. Haven't I sent you?"

Jdg 6:15 But Gid` on answered him, "Forgive me, my Lord, but with what am I to save Isra'el? Why, my family is the poorest in M'nasheh, and I'm the youngest person in my father's house!"

I don't know about you but I have felt the same way. Father if you have called me why I am going through all these problems, where are the miracles that Pharoah will know that you are YHVH?. Why is it so hard to accomplish what you want me to do? Why would you even want to use me in the first place? Don't you know that I am the least, there are others who are much smarter then I am.

What is His Answer to us?

Jdg 6:16 Adonai said to him, "Because I will be with you, you will strike down Midyan as easily as if they were just one man."

Then you hear this! There are to many of you! What? But G-d don't you understand that we have a great big battle ahead of us? How can we accomplish what you have called us to do with so few to do the work?

Jdg 7:2 Adonai said to Gid` on, "There are too many people with you for me to hand Midyan over to them, because I don't want Isra'el to be able to boast against me, 'We saved ourselves by our own strength.'

Jdg 7:3 Therefore, proclaim to the people 'Anyone who is anxious or afraid should go back home, while we stay here on Mount Gil`ad.' "Twenty-two thousand returned, but ten thousand remained. (So much for having a MEGA Church!)

Jdg 7:4 Adonai said to Gid` on, "There are still too many people. Have them come down to the water, and <u>there I will screen them for you</u>. If I say of anyone, 'This one is for you,' he will go with you; and if I say, 'This one is not for you,' he won't go with you." (G-d takes charge of the hiring, not you)

Jdg 7:5 So he brought the people down to the water, and Adonai said to Gid`on, "Put to one side everyone who laps up water with his tongue the way a dog does, and put to the other side everyone who gets down on his knees to drink."

Jdg 7:6 Three hundred lapped, putting their hand to their mouth; all the rest of the men got down on their knees to drink water.

Jdg 7:7 Adonai said to Gid` on, "I will use the three hundred men who lapped the water to save you; I will hand Midyan over to you. Let all these others go back home."

What was G-d looking for? The same thing He is looking for today. Those who are not anxious or afraid to follow His commands, and those who are alert and ready for battle. Those who will not take the glory for what G-d has done. Those who are not impressed by great numbers but who are willing to do what He has called them to do no matter how small in number they may seem. We need to realize that if He has called us to do something He will make sure that He will give us what we need to win the battle, His way not our way.

G-d's Word, His Commandment's are not a 'Burger King' where you can have it your way. It is His way or no way. But His way will guarantee you will have victory in HIM.

Read Psalm 119: 26-34

Psa 119:33, (Heh) Teach me, Adonai, the way of your laws; keeping them will be its own reward for me.



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

The Walk of Humility

Tanach - Numbers Chapter 12

1. And Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Kushite woman whom he had married; for he had married a Kushite woman.

2. And they said, Has the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? has he not spoken also by us? And the Lord heard it.

3. And the man Moses was very ANaV (humble), more than any other men, which were upon the face of the earth.

Proverbs 22:4 The reward of humility is the fear of YHVH/G-d, even riches, and honour, and life.

Mishnah Sota Chapter 9 Mishnah 15

Rabbi Pinchas Ben Yair said: Diligence leads to cleanliness, cleanliness leads to purity, and purity leads to separateness, and separateness leads to holiness, and holiness leads to humility, and humility leads to dread of sin, and dread of sin leads to piety, and piety leads to the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit leads to the resurrection of the dead, and the resurrection of the dead will come with Elijah the Prophet, may he be remembered for good, Amen

Written by Isaac Abuab I (lived at the end of the 14th Century)

Menorat Hameor has gone through over seventy printings over the past four hundred and fifty years. This passage is taken from the seventh section of the book, appropriately entitled, The Seventh Candle, Concerning Anava. (From Jewish Learning.com)

How great is humility? So great that the Holy One singles it out to glorify and praise it, as it is written in the Tractate of Megilla (31a). Rabbi Yochanan says: Wherever one finds the might of the Holy One, he also finds His humility. This is found in the Torah and is repeated in the Prophets and repeated again in the Writings of the Bible, In the Torah it is written: For the Lord Your God is the God of gods, and the Lord of lords..." (Deuteronomy 10:7) This verse is

followed by, "...who does justice for the orphan and the widow."

In the Prophets it is written: For God says High and exalted He dwells forever..." (Isaiah 57:15) This is immediately followed by "...and the downtrodden and dispirited will be revived..."

In the Writings it is written: "...extol him who rides on the clouds; his name is the Lord" (Psalms 68:5) which is followed by, "...father of orphans and judge to the widows..."

Thus a person has to imitate the qualities of his Creator with all his might, in order to ascend to the highest rung and cling to humility. This will entitle him to be loved by God and people as well. When a person grasps on to the quality of humility, he will distance himself from much of the filth found in humanity, and he will hasten to the qualities of holiness, purity and abstinence,

There was no more humble person then Yeshua our Messiah, YHVW In The Flesh who loved us so much that He was willing to take our place and die for us!

We are to walk in His footsteps and take His yoke (Torah/Teaching and Instructions) upon ourselves. We live in a world where "self' promotion" has taken the place of walking humbly before G-d. Our flesh wants "I" and "Me" to be exalted. We want everyone say how wonderful we our, when in fact our life should reflect how wonderful G-d is. We have become arrogant and proud and Yeshua has called us to be gentle and humble. We want to be promoted and make a name for ourselves, when Yeshua has said He is the one who promotes. We want to exalt ourselves, when that priviledge only belongs to Him. We want to live, but He has called us to die to self. Unfortunately those of us who are Messianic are the most guilty of this. We have become puffed up and full of pride. We need to repent! Because without Yeshua we are nothing!

We have become proud, when He has called us to walk as He walked, putting others before Himself.

Joh 15:13 No one has greater love than a person who lays down his life for his friends.

Mat 11:29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, because I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Mat 23:12 for whoever promotes himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be promoted.

Luk 14:11 Because everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but everyone who humbles himself will be exalted."

Php 2:8 he humbled himself still more by becoming obedient even to death - death on a stake as a criminal!

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Pro 11:2 First comes pride, then disgrace; but with the humble is wisdom.

Jas 4:10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

Jas 3:13 Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him demonstrate it by his good way of life, by actions done in the humility that grows out of wisdom.

Let our prayer be, Yeshua teach me your humility!

Read Psalm 119: 41-48

Psa 119:411 (Vav) May your grace come to me, Adonai, your salvation, as you promised



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

The Walk of Humility

Psa 147:1 PRAISE THE Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God, for He is gracious and lovely; praise is becoming and appropriate.

Psa 147:2 The Lord is building up Jerusalem; He is gathering together the exiles of Israel. Psa 147:3 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds [curing their pains and their sorrows]. He determines and counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by their names. Psa 147:5 Great is our Lord and of great power; His understanding is inexhaustible and boundless.

Psa 147:6 The Lord lifts up the humble and downtrodden; He casts the wicked down to the ground. (Amplified Bible)

*Menorat Hame'or Written by Isaac Abuab I (lived at the end of the 14th Century) Continuation from previous day

Humility is recognized through five things: (Scriptures In Red I have added)

1. He should forgive those who have wronged him and he could even go so far as to pay him, as it is written: "Do not say just as he has done to me I will do to him, I will return to the man as he has done. (Proverbs 24:29) Because of his humility, he is not concerned of the wrong that has been done to him.

Mat 6:14 For if you forgive people their trespasses [their reckless and willful sins, leaving them, letting them go, and giving up resentment], your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

2. If trouble comes to his finances or his health, or his sons and relatives die, he will accept the judgement, and accept the decrees of the Lord with love, for this is the way of humility when one receives afflictions. This is the way Aaron behaved when his sons Nadav and Avihu died. He accepted the judgement because of his humility, and did not erupt in his personal anguish, as it is written, ..."And Aaron was silent."...

Mat 5:4 "How blessed are those who mourn! for they will be comforted.

3. If people honor him, he should not be proud, but rather he should be governed by the way of humility, and not be haughty in his heart. We have found this quality in Abraham when he honored Ephron and called him "My master a governor, a lord..." (Genesis 23:6) He even diminished himself in front of the most downtrodden as it is written, "And Abraham bowed before the people of the land..." (Ibid:12)

Rom 12:16 Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty (snobbish, high-minded, exclusive), but readily adjust yourself to [people, things] and give yourselves to humble tasks. Never overestimate yourself or be wise in your own conceits. [Prov. 3:7.]

4. If he is found to have a reputation for wisdom, insight, wealth, or influence with the king, or anything else that make people haughty, he should not hold himself over his friends, but rather he should be humble and modest and he should behave as he did before he was known for these things. As it is written: "If the spirit of the ruler ascends to you, do not leave your place." (Ecclesiastes 10:4) This is referring to the place you were before.

Php 2:3 Do nothing out of rivalry or vanity; but, in humility, regard each other as better than yourselves -

Php 2:4 look out for each other's interests and not just for your own.

Php 2:5 Let your attitude toward one another be governed by your being in union with the Messiah Yeshua:

Php 2:6 Though he was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God something to be possessed by force.

Php 2:7 On the contrary, he emptied himself, in that he took the form of a slave by becoming like human beings are. And when he appeared as a human being,

Php 2:8 he humbled himself still more by becoming obedient even to death - death on a stake as a criminal!

5. If afflictions happen to you do not hesitate to do teshuva in public. Do not refuse to do so because of personal pride. We have the example of those who were in the diaspora at the time of Ezra when he rebuked them., they repented and did teshuva immediately. As it is written: "We have betrayed our God and have settled with foreign wives..." (Ezra 10:2) They repented and righted their ways.

Teshuva means to repent and return back to G-ds ways.

Psa 32:1[By David. A maskil:] How blessed are those whose offense is forgiven, those whose sin is covered!

Psa 32:2 How blessed those to whom Adonai imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no deceit! Psa 32:3 When I kept silent, my bones wasted away because of my groaning all day long; Psa 32:4 day and night your hand was heavy on me; the sap in me dried up as in a summer drought. (Selah)

Psa 32:5 When I acknowledged my sin to you, when I stopped concealing my guilt, and said, "I will confess my offenses to Adonai"; then you, you forgave the guilt of my sin. (Selah) (Complete Jewish BIble)

* Quote taken from the Virtual Jewish Library.

Read Psalm 119: 49-56

Psa 119:49;(Zayin) Remember your promise to your servant, through which you have given me hope.



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Humility In Leadership

Eze 34:1 The word of Adonai came to me:

Eze 34:2 "Human being, prophesy against the shepherds of Isra'el. Prophesy! Tell them, the shepherds, that Adonai Elohim says this: 'Woe to the shepherds of Isra'el who feed themselves! Shouldn't the shepherds feed the sheep?

Eze 34:3 You eat the choice meat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, and you slaughter the best of the herd; but you don't feed the sheep!

Eze 34:4 You don't strengthen the weak, heal the sick, bandage the broken, bring back the outcasts or seek the lost; on the contrary, you tyrannize them with crushing force. (Read all of Ezekial 34)

Leaders we need to take head this warning from the prophets and walk humbly and fearfulling before YHVW. To be a Shepherd, Teacher, Evangelist, Prophet, Apostle is a priviledge and a calling. G-d did not call us so we could make a living by serving Him. He called us to serve Him and He will take care of what we need to live. Our job is to feed the sheep with the truth of His Word. Many Pastors today in the Body of Messiah are entertainers, not teachers of His Word. They are motivational speakers who do not know how to feed the sheep.

Our example of humble leadership is our Master Yeshua. We need to be accounatable to other leaders and not, as one person has said such a 'Maverick'. Accountablility keeps us humble and honest. We have made our ministry accountable to others so no one can falsly accuse us and also so we can get guidance when needed and accountability.

A leader needs to take correction from others in leadership which will help them walk in humility. It is an honor to be a leader but it also has great accountablity that goes along with it. Many people want to be leaders, but do not want to be accountable.

Jas 3:1 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, since you know that we will be judged more severely.

TV, Radio and the Internet have been a good tool to spread His Torah/Word and the Messianic Message, but also a great tool for pride as well. We need to get rid of the celebrity mentality in leadership. We are not celebrities, we are servants. The only one that should be magnified in our lives is Yeshua. G-d has shown in the past that if His leadership will not walk humbly before Him, He will remove them.

We can not think that we can sin in the darkness and that it will not be brought to the light. Yeshua warned of those who would cause others to stumble because of their actions.

Those who sit under good leadership must also be like the Bereans and search the Word for themselves as well to make sure what we are hearing is in line with the Word. This also keeps us mutually accountable. We need to learn from those in the Bible who walked humbly before G-d, yet never received any recognition or pats on the back on this earth for what they did. Read Hebrews 11

Those who do not attend Messianic Congregations, need to find a good one and humble yourself as well. The Jewish Community knows that to survice they need to stick together. Those who have come out of the traditional Church and have returned to their Jewish roots need to humble themselves as well and find a good fellowship ship (I did not say a perfect one, because there are no perfect fellowships) and humble ourselves as well.

Leaders we need to walk humbly before our G-d and count it a priviledge to serve Him and His people. Pray Psalm 51

We need to ask YHVW to fill us with His humility and restore a humble heart within us

Read Psalm 119: 57-64

Psa 119:57n(Het) Adonai, I say that my task is to observe your words.



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Walking In Devotion To YHVW/G-d

Eze 44:23 " 'They are to teach my people the difference between holy and common and enable them to distinguish between clean and unclean.

Exo 28:4 "The garments they are to make are these: a breastplate, a ritual vest, a robe, a checkered tunic, a turban and a sash. They are to make holy garments for your brother Aharon and his sons, so that he can serve me in the office of cohen.

Eph 6:13 So take up every piece of war equipment God provides; so that when the evil day comes, you will be able to resist; and when the battle is won, you will still be standing. Eph 6:14 Therefore, stand! Have the belt of truth buckled around your waist, put on righteousness for a breastplate,

Eph 6:15 and wear on your feet the readiness that comes from the Good News of shalom. Eph 6:16 Always carry the shield of trust, with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the Evil One.

Eph 6:17 And take the helmet of deliverance; along with the sword given by the Spirit, that is, the Word of God;

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qodesh (871c); from an unused word; apartness, sacredness: - consecrated (2), consecrated thing (1), consecrated things (2), dedicated (1), dedicated gifts (2), dedicated things (5), holiness (9), Holy (6), holy (263), holies (6), holy ones (1), holy portion (3), holy thing (2), holy things (12), most holy (25), most holy place (6), most holy things (6), sacred (2), sacred gifts (2), sacred things (3), sacrifices (1), sacrificial (1), sanctuary (65), set apart (1), thing most holy (2), things that are most holy (1), things dedicated (1). (NASEC)

Exo 15:11 Who is like unto Thee, O LORD, among the mighty? who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

YHVW/G-d has called us to be consecrated and devoted to Him in every area of our lifes.

There are at least 522 Vs regarding the word Holy and 43 vs regarding Holiness in The Holy Scriptures.

The Tabernacle was set aside as holy. The Garments of the Priest were holy The Utensils were holy The Furniture was holy

Everything that was used to serve YHVW was holy We have been set aside to serve YHVW, therefore we are holy/set apart for His service.

We have been doing a study on the Priestly Garments, which I believe are the Garments that we are to put on according to Ephesians 6:13-17. I do not believe Shaul/Paul was talking about the armour of a Roman pagan soldier but about the Holy Garments of the priesthood.

For a detailed teaching go to The Priestly Garments of the Believer

According to the studies done by the Temple Institute of Israel the Meaning of the the garments were:

- The Tunic, which covers most of the priest body, atones for killing
- The pants atone for sexual transgressions
- The Turban, worn on the head, atone for hautiness
- The belt, worn about the body and worn over the heart atones for "Sins of the Heart" improper thoughts
- The Breastplate atones for error in judgement
- The ephod atones for idolatry
- The robes atones for evil speach
- The High Priests crown atones for Arrogance

These garments should be a reminder to us of the Atonement of Yeshua Our High Priest who has called us to a holy walk...

- Walking in His righteousness since it is white and since it covers the whole body it represents the sin in our lives that would try to kill us daily, and that it is only the blood of Messiah that washes us white as snow.
- Walk free from sexual transgressions
- Walk free from hautiness
- Walk free from Sins of the Heart-improper thoughts

- Walk in righteous judgment
- Walk free from idolatry in our life
- Walk free from LaShon Hara-Evil Speach
- Walk free from Arroangane but walk humbly before YHWH/G-d

1Pe 1:13 Therefore, get your minds ready for work, keep yourselves under control, and fix your hopes fully on the gift you will receive when Yeshua the Messiah is revealed.

1Pe 1:14 As people who obey God, do not let yourselves be shaped by the evil desires you used to have when you were still ignorant.

1Pe 1:15 On the contrary, following the Holy One who called you, become holy yourselves in your entire way of life;

1Pe 1:16 since the Tanakh says, "You are to be holy because I am holy."

1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen people, the King's cohanim, a holy nation, a people for God to possess! Why? In order for you to declare the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Read Psalm 119: 65-72

Psa 119:65v(Tet) You have treated your servant well, Adonai, in keeping with your word.



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Are You Willing To pay The Price?

Mat 10:32 "Whoever acknowledges me in the presence of others I will also acknowledge in the presence of my Father in heaven.

Mat 10:33 But whoever disowns me before others I will disown before my Father in heaven. Mat 10:34 "Don't suppose that I have come to bring peace to the Land. It is not peace I have come to bring, but a sword!

Mat 10:35 For I have come to set

Mat 10:36 a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, so that a man's enemies will be the members of his own household.

Mat 10:37 Whoever loves his father or mother more than he loves me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than he loves me is not worthy of me.

Mat 10:38 And anyone who does not take up his execution-stake and follow me is not worthy of me.

Mat 10:39 Whoever finds his own life will lose it, but the person who loses his life for my sake will find it.

Above Yeshua describes a true Talmidim/Disciple of His. He clearly is telling us their will be a price for following Him. Many want the blessings but do not want to pay the price. These are very strong words and during this time of counting the Omer we need to search our hearts and ask forgiveness if we have put others including our families before Him. I am not saying we are to ignore our families, but we need to keep everything in its proper order, so please do not misunderstand what I am trying to say because I am including myself as well. We need to COUNT THE COST.

<u>Testimony of Bishop Dominque Bierman a Messianic Believer and Minister in Israel from one of</u> <u>her teaching letters</u> Why Are You Weeping Josiah #42.

We want the blessings but we don't like the "IF'S", because the "IFS" are conditional and require obedience. It is only obedience to His Word that brings the blessings.

Those of you who feel you are called to be Pastor, Rabbi's Teachers etc. Are you willing to pay the price? Are you willing to serve Him even if you do not get paid and to trust Him to meet your needs?

Are you willing to be transparent before those you serve, admit when you are wrong and repent if you have offended someone? Are you willing to be accountable to others? Are you willing to be a servant? Are you willing to serve Him, even if you get no worldy recognition? Are you willing to give and give to those who He sends across your path even if they never say thank you and leave when correction is given or when the going gets tough?

Yes there is a price to pay for serving the Master, but the blessings here and in the World to Come/Olam Ha Ba far out weigh the sacrifices.

Do you love the Master Yeshua our Messiah Our King more then you love your family or even your children? Don't you realize that He loves your children even more then you do? If He calls you to sacrifice for His Kingdom, don't you think He knows how to take care of your children as well? If you don't you do not know the Father heart of YHVW. As we serve Him, in prayer we trust Him to take care of what concerns us.

Are you willing to be forsaken, humiliated, scorned by your friends and family because you choose to be obedient to His Torah and Yeshua? Many are not. They like to "Play" with the 'Jewish" things, but they do not want to live what they represent or learn what they mean or give up their traditions of men and be obediant to His Word.

He is using His Sword of His Ruach/Spirit to seperate the sheep from the goats. He is beginning to seperate those who love Him and serve Him from the Heart, and those who are only giving lip service. He is seperating those who want the "Burger King" Christiantiy where they can have it their way, from those who are saying Thy Will Be Done, Not Mine!

This past Shabbat His presence was so strong in the Synagogue after Praise and Worship that we literally were shaking in His Presence. Why? Because we had a group of people who are sold out, in one accord, who entered into His presence with worship and whose hearts are crying out for His Presence. One of the younger children said as we were praying she heard what sounded like a Shofar.

We made the decision, that we were going to serve Him His way, not our way. We were not going to be men pleasers, but please Him. It is only when we are totally sold out, and in one accord as His Body that we will be like those who went before us in the early Messianic

Community of Acts 2. The model we follow is that of the early Messianic Community who loved Yeshua and The Torah and flowed in the Gifts of the Ruach HaKodesh. We are not ashamed to make a joyful noice, dance before Him and let His Ruach have His way in our Services. We were created to Worship Him in Spirit and In Truth.

<u>I will not Compromise Even In The Midst Of Bablyon (Article)</u>

Joh 14:21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me, and the one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

2Co 4:5 For what we are proclaiming is not ourselves, but the Messiah Yeshua as Lord, with ourselves as slaves for you because of Yeshua.

2Co 4:6 For it is the God who once said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has made his light shine in our hearts, the light of the knowledge of God's glory shining in the face of the Messiah Yeshua.

2Co 4:7 But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it will be evident that such overwhelming power comes from God and not from us.

2Co 4:8 We have all kinds of troubles, but we are not crushed; we are perplexed, yet not in despair;

2Co 4:9 persecuted, yet not abandoned; knocked down, yet not destroyed.

2Co 4:10 We always carry in our bodies the dying of Yeshua, so that the life of Yeshua may be manifested in our bodies too.

2Co 4:11 For we who are alive are always being handed over to death for Yeshua's sake, so that Yeshua's life also might be manifested in our mortal bodies.

2Co 4:12 Thus death is at work in us but life in you.

Read Psalm 119: 73-80

Psa 119:73[,](Yud) Your hands made and formed me; give me understanding, so I can learn your mitzvot.



Week 5 /Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Devoted To Prayer

Act 1:3 <u>After his death he showed himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was</u> <u>alive.</u> During a period of forty days they saw him, and he spoke with them about the Kingdom of God.

Act 1:4 At one of these gatherings, he instructed them not to leave Yerushalayim but to "wait for what the Father promised, which you heard about from me.

Act 1:5 For Yochanan used to immerse people in water; but in a few days, you will be immersed in the Ruach HaKodesh!"

Act 1:6 When they were together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore self-rule to Isra'el?"

Act 1:7 He answered, "You don't need to know the dates or the times; the Father haskept these under his own authority.

<u>Act 1:8 But you will receive power when the Ruach HaKodesh comes upon you; you will be my</u> witnesses both in Yerushalayim and in all Y'hudah and Shomron, indeed to the ends of the <u>earth!</u>

Act 1:14 These all <u>devoted themselves single-mindedly to prayer</u>, along with some women, including Miryam (Yeshua's mother), and his brothers.

As we are counting the Omer we need to do as those who went before us who <u>Devoted</u> themselves single-mindedly to prayer.

Perek Yomi Tehillim- Prayers from the Psalms

Read Psalm 119: 81-88

Psa 119:815(Kaf) I am dying to know your salvation; my hope is in your word.



Week 5 / Attribute 5 - Humility/Devotion (Hod)

We have completed 4 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

Devoted To Prayer

Mat 6:5 "When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites, who love to pray standing in the synagogues and on street corners, so that people can see them. Yes! I tell you, they have their reward already!

Mat 6:6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. Your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Mat 6:7 "And when you pray, don't babble on and on like the pagans, who think God will hear them better if they talk a lot.

Mat 6:8 Don't be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Mat 6:9 You, therefore, pray like this: 'Our Father in heaven! May your Name be kept holy. Mat 6:10 May your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Mat 6:11 Give us the food we need today.

Mat 6:12 Forgive us what we have done wrong, as we too have forgiven those who have wronged us.

Mat 6:13 And do not lead us into hard testing, but keep us safe from the Evil One. [The latter half of verse 13 is not found in the oldest manuscripts.] For kingship, power and glory are yours forever. Amen.'

(page 69-72, To Pray As A Jew; A Guide to the Prayer Book and and the Synagogue Service, by Hayim Halevy Donin, Harper Collins Publishers, 1980).

Shemonah Esreh or Amidah - The Shmoneh Esreh is a beautifully simple prayer. Almost every phrase has it's source in the Bible. Each blessing is a very ingenious collection of Biblical words and phrases pieced together to form a new composition that reflects a broad spectrum of personal needs, communal needs, and Jewish convictions.

The Shmoney Esreh is said while facing in the direction of in Eretz Israel. Worshipers in Eretz Israel face towards Jerusalem. Worshipers in Jerusalem face the Temple Mount, where the Temple (Beit HaMikdash) once stood. The Holy Ark in every synagogue is generally located so that when one faces the Ark, one is also standing in the proper direction...

The Shmoneh Esreh should be said quietly to oneself, based on the example set by Hannah, whose praying lips moved, but her voice could not be heard" (I Sam 1;13). That is why the Shmoneh Esreh is sometimes referred to as the "Silent Prayer".

Inasmuch as we also relate to God as the King of Kings, the Sovereign of the universe, no less courtesy should be shown to Him than to mortal kings. The convention that prevailed in high courts when approaching a king thus became the basis for several customs during worship: for example, three small steps forward are taken before beginning the Shmoneh Esreh.

[This prayer is said three times per day, where each prayer service is in remembrance of the temple sacrifices which cannot take place without the temple. In the morning and afternoon service, is said once individually, and once corporately.] The public repetition was instituted for the benefit of those who were not able to recite it properly. By listening attentively and answering "Amen" at the end of each blessing, such worshipers are considered to have fulfilled their prayer obligation.

Yeshua would have prayed this beautiful prayer that covers every area that you can think of to pray about. The "Our Father' is thought to be a shortened version that Yeshua gave of the Shemonah Esreh or Amidah.

This prayer covers the following areas....

- Worship
- Repentance
- Requests regarding Healing, Blessings, Deliverance, Restoration, Prosperity
- Provision
- Protection
- Thanksgiving

Look Here For More About Hebrew Prayer

Yeshua Our Messiah is Devoted To Prayer- He is Daily Standing In The Holy Of Holies Interceeding For us, as our High Priest/Cohen HaGadol should we do any less for others?

TEFILLAH-PRAYER-JUST DO IT

Read Psalm 119: 89-96



Week 6 /Attribute 6 - Foundation/Bonding/Connection (Yesod)

We have completed 5 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

He Is Our Foundation

Mat 7:24 "So, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a sensible man who built his house on bedrock.

Mat 7:25 The rain fell, the rivers flooded, the winds blew and beat against that house, but it didn't collapse, because its foundation was on rock.

Mat 7:26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a stupid man who built his house on sand.

Mat 7:27 The rain fell, the rivers flooded, the wind blew and beat against that house, and it collapsed - and its collapse was horrendous!"

Mat 7:28 When Yeshua had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at the way he taught,

Mat 7:29 for he was not instructing them like their Torah-teachers but as one who had authority himself.

1Co 3:11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Yeshua the Messiah.

1Co 3:12 Some will use gold, silver or precious stones in building on this foundation; while others will use wood, grass or straw.

1Co 3:13 But each one's work will be shown for what it is; the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire - the fire will test the quality of each one's work.

1Co 3:14 If the work someone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward; 1Co 3:15 if it is burned up, he will have to bear the loss: he will still escape with his life, but it will be like escaping through a fire.

Eph 2:20 You have been built on the foundation of the emissaries and the prophets, with the cornerstone being Yeshua the Messiah himself.

Eph 2:21 In union with him the whole building is held together, and it is growing into a holy temple in union with the Lord.

Eph 2:22 Yes, in union with him, you yourselves are being built together into a spiritual dwellingplace for God!

The only way to build a firm foundation is by hearing and acting on the Words of our Master Yeshua. How precious and valuable is His Word to you?

It is the Yesod/foundation of Yeshua that will pass the test of fire. Are you using Gold, Silver and Precious Stones or wood hay and stubble?

John G. Lake once said "If you love reading about what others say about the Word more then reading the Word yourself....you are backslidden" In other words you have lost your first love. If you do not know the Word how are you going to know if that book you are reading about the Word is correct?

Psa 19:7 The Torah of Adonai is perfect, restoring the inner person. The instruction of Adonai is sure, making wise the thoughtless.

Psa 19:8 The precepts of Adonai are right, rejoicing the heart. The mitzvah of Adonai is pure, enlightening the eyes.

Psa 19:9 The fear of Adonai is clean, enduring forever. The rulings of Adonai are true, they are righteous altogether,

Psa 19:10 more desirable than gold, than much fine gold, also sweeter than honey or drippings from the honeycomb.

Psa 19:11 Through them your servant is warned; in obeying them there is great reward.

His Word will...

- vs.7 Restore you within, deep in your soul
- vs 7 His Word gives you Wisdom and Understanding
- vs 8 His Word Gives Brings you Joy
- vs 8 His Word Brings Revelation Knowledge and insight into who He Is and The Beauty of His Holiness.
- vs 9 His Word is True and Righteous
- vs 10 His Word is priceless
- vs 11 Obedience To His Word Brings Reward

If your foundation has become shaky, or maybe full of potholes and cracks because you have not built your faith upon the Word it self, ask Him to bring restoration to your life and rekindle the fire in your heart once again for His Word.

Read Psalm 119: 97-104

Psa 119:97^b(Mem) How I love your Torah! I meditate on it all day.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

.Principle #1 - YHVW/G-d alone is the Creator of Everything

"I believe with complete faith, that the Creator, blessed be His Name, creates and guides all creatures, and that He alone made, and makes and will make everything"

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Col 1:16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

Col 1:17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

Joh 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word wasGod. Joh 1:2 He was in the beginning with God.

Joh 1:3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. Joh 1:4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

Principle #1 Deborah's Messianic Version

I believe with complete faith that Yahshua is the Messiah, the Aleph and The Tav, He is YHVH in the flesh and by Him all things were created that are in heaven and are on earth. He is before all things and in Him all things consist. All things were made through Him and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Yahshua is Life and He is the light of men. He is Echad/One with the Father. He was with YHVW/G-d in the beginning and is now sitting at the right hand of YHVW for all eternity. Blessed Be His Name.

Jas 1:17 Every good gift and every perfectgift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

Every gift and ability we have comes from Him. While we were yet in our mothers womb, He placed the gifts and talents we have within us to be used for His Kingdom and His glory. If you can sing, He is the one who gave you that gift. If you can dance, He is the one that gave you that gift. If you can teach, He is the one that gave you that gift. If you are artistic, He is the one that gave you that gift. Every ability we have is from Him. Are you using that gift that the Creator put within you for His Kingdom? Or are you hiding it. Are you giving Him the glory for the gift that is within you?

Are you using your gifts to proclaim Yeshua Ha Mashiach to the world?

Read Psalm 139

He alone is the Creator. Praise Him for giving you life! Praise Him for the gifts He has put within you, for they are given to you to be used for His glory.

Psa 139:14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

Read Psalm 119: 105-112

Psa 119:105:(Nun) Your word is a lamp for my foot and light on my path.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #2 - YHVW/G-d Is Unique and One

"I believe with complete faith that the Creator, blessed be His Name, is unique and there is no likeness to Him in any way, and that He alone is our God, who was, and is and is to come"

Yeshua The Aleph and The Tav, who was and is and is to come

Joh 10:30 I and my Father are one.

Joh 3:18 He that believeth on him (Yeshua) is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Joh 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Joh 5:25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

Joh 5:26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

Joh 5:27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. Joh 5:28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

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Joh 5:29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Joh 5:30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

Joh 17:20 "I pray not only for these, but also for those who will trust in me because of their word,

Joh 17:21 that they may all be one. Just as you, Father, are united with me and I with you, I pray that they may be united with us, so that the world may believe that you sent me. Joh 17:22 The glory which you have given to me, I have given to them; so that they may be one, just as we are one -

Joh 17:23 I united with them and you with me, so that they may be completely one, and the world thus realize that you sent me, and that you have loved them just as you have loved me.

Principle #2 Deborah's Messianic Version

" I believe with complete faith that YHVW is Echad (One) and in that Oneness Yeshua and the Father are one. I believe and confess that Yeshua is the Son of G-d as the Scriptures say and besides him there is no one else. Just as Yeshua and the Father are one we also by faith in Yeshua as the Body of Messiah are one in Him. Yeshua is The Way, The Truth and The Life and the only way to the Father and that there is one Father of all, YHVW/G-d. I believe in the Triune nature of the One True G-d and that Yeshua is YHVW come in the Flesh"

Yeshua's prayer for us (John 17) was that we would be one, just as he and the Father are one. He will make Israel One (Judah and Ephraim) again under His Kingship (Ezekial 37). We are many in the Body, but there is only one Bride. When 2 people get married, they become one in the Fathers eyes.

None of use knows everything, we each have been given a revelation as we study His Word and when we come to together in the Body that revelation that each of us has, brings a more complete understanding. Just like a jigsaw puzzle may have thousands of pieces, each of the pieces put together make one picture, but if one piece of that puzzle is missing the picture is not complete.

1 Corinthians 12 states that YHVW has given us each spiritual gifts, but the gifts are incomplete until it comes together with other believers In Messiah. In other words we need

each other to complete the picture. A Messianic Community can not thrive or survive if there is no unity and that unity must be based upon the Word of G-d and faith in Yeshua alone.

Eph 4:2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Eph 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Eph 4:4There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

Eph 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Eph 4:6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Echad suggests a compound unity -YHVW/Father-Yeshua/Son-Ruach HaKodesh-Holy Spirit of YHWH. This theme is brought up in the Scriptures many times. The reason there is no unity in the Body of Messiah is because we do not see ourselves as one in Messiah. However, I believe that Yeshua's prayer in John 17 will come to pass in these last days and that we will truly become one just as He and The Father Are One.

Read Psalm 119: 113-120

Psa 119:1130(Samekh) I hate doubleminded people, but I love your Torah



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #3 - YHVW/G-d Is Incorporeal and Incomparable

"I believe with complete faith that the Creator, blessed be His Name, has no body and is unaffected by physical phenomena, and there is not comparison to Him with anything"

Though we can not see Him we can know Him through our Messiah Yeshua and through His Word.

Everyman's Talmud, Abraham Cohen - The Doctrine of God "Fatherhood" p.20

"The Fatherhood of God is synonymous with His love for the human family every creature is living proof that the Father of all is a God of love. The best expression of his idea is found in the aphorism of R. Akiba "Beloved is man, for he was created in the image of God; but it was by a special love that it was made known to him that he was created in the image of God; as it is said, "for in the image of God made He man" (Aboth III,18)

<u>Maimonides</u> "In many places our holy scriptures do speak of G-d in physical terms. Thus we find concepts such as walking, standing, sitting and speaking used in relation to G-d. In all these cases, though, scripture is only speaking metaphorically. In the Talmud our sages teach us that 'The Torah speaks in the language of man"

<u>Brit Chadashah</u>

Joh 4:23"But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will <u>worship the Father in</u> <u>spirit and truth</u>; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers.

Joh 4:24"God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." NASB

Joh 1:18 No one has ever seen God; but the only and unique Son, who is identical with God and is at the Father's side - he has made him known. NASB

Joh 14:9 Yeshua replied to him, "Have I been with you so long without your knowing me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Joh 14:10 Don't you believe that I am united with the Father, and the Father united with me? What I am telling you, I am not saying on my own initiative; the Father living in me is doing his own works. CJB

1Ti 1:17 So to the King - eternal, imperishable and invisible, the only God there is - let there be honor and glory for ever and ever! Amen. CJB

Rom 1:20 For ever since the creation of the universe his invisible qualities - both his eternal power and his divine nature - have been clearly seen, because they can be understood from what he has made. Therefore, they have no excuse; NASB

Principle #3 Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that YHVW has revealed His invisible qualities, both His eternal power and divine nature have been clearly seen. He is eternal, imperishable and invisible, the only G-d there is. G-d is spirit and we must worship Him in Spirit and Truth. I believe that Yeshua is the only unique Son and is identical with G-d and is at the Fathers side. Yeshua came to reveal the Father to us and show us the Father and the Yeshua is united with the Father and the Father is united with Yeshua"

YHVW/G-d has revealed Himself to us in His Word, Through His Name and Through His Son, Our Messiah Yeshua and through the Ruach HaKodesh.

TO KNOW YAHSHUA IS TO KNOW THE FATHER

Read Psalm 119: 121-128

Psa 119:121^y (`Ayin) I have done what is just and right; don't abandon me to my oppressors.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #4 - YHVW/G-d Is The First and Last

"I believe with complete faith that the Creator, blessed be His Name, is the first and the last"

Yeshua Is The First and The Last, The Aleph and The Tav

Isa 41:4 "Who has performed and accomplished it, Calling forth the generations from the beginning? 'I, the LORD, am the first, and with the last. I am He.'"

Isa 43:10 "You are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, So that you may know and believe Me And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, And there will be none after Me. Isa 43:11 "I, even I, am the LORD, And there is no savior besides Me. Isa 43:12 "It is I who have declared and saved and proclaimed, And there was no strange god among you; So you are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "And I am God. Isa 43:13 "Even from eternity I am He, And there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?"

(Rev 1:8) I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

(Rev 1:11) Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest,

write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Rev 1:17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, Rev 1:18and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

(Rev 21:6) And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

(Rev 22:13) I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Principle #4 Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that Yeshua is the Aleph and the tav, the first and the last, which is and which was and which is to come, The Almighty. There is no savior besides Him"

Yeshua Is YHVH, there is no doubt from these scriptures that the Great I AM is the same one speaking in the Tanach as in the Brit HaDasha.

He is Mashiach, who came first (Aleph) as Messiah Ben Yosef and will return Last (Tav) as Messiah Ben David. He is the author and finisher of our faith and our salvation. He is our Master and Our King who was, and is, and is to come!

The Aleph's ancient symbol is that of an Ox and denotes-Power, Strength, Leader, First

The Tav's ancient symbol is that if a crossed sticks and denotes Covenant, Cross, to seal, sign

He is to be The Aleph and Tav in Our Lives...

- Our Power
- Our Strength
- Our Leader
- Our First Love and Our last Love

• The One who on the Cross, signed and sealed His Covenant in His Blood

2Co 1:20 For however many promises God has made, they all find their "Yes" <u>in</u> <u>connection with him</u>; that is why it is through him that we say the "Amen" when we give glory to God.

2Co 1:21 Moreover, it is God who sets both us and you in firm union with the Messiah; he has anointed us,

2Co 1:22 <u>put his seal on us</u>, and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee for the future.

Read Psalm 119: 129-136

Psa 119:1295(Peh) Your instruction is a wonder; this is why I follow it.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #5 - We are to pray to G-d Alone

"I believe with complete faith that the Creator, blessed be His Name, is the only One to whom we should pray, and it is not proper to pray to any other"

Matthew 6:6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. Your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

John 14:13"Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. Joh 14:14"If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.

John 15:16"You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.

John 16:24"Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

1Ti 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

Principle #5 Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that we are to pray to our Heavenly Father In The Name of Yeshua our mediator and Messiah. To pray in His Name is to enter the Holy of Holies because He is our Cohen HaGadol and it is In His Name that I may come before the very throne of YHVW and sit at His feet and bring my prayers, my praise, my worship and my thanksgiving to my Father before His very Throne."

A Guide to Jewish Prayer -Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz

"When a congregation is deeply absorbed in prayer, a new entity is created-no longer a collection of individuals, but a Kahal Kodesh (Holy Congregation) is praying in unison. Each worshipper then becomes a part of a greater unit, drawing strength from the other worshippers, and giving a part of himself in return. Whether consciously or unconsciously, a new set of experience is created through these interrelated communal components."

There is nothing so sweet as spending time alone with our Father in prayer. There is nothing so powerful then when we come together as a Community in prayer. We need both. We need to spend time daily with the Father in prayer and we need to spend time as a Community in prayer. Yeshua prayed alone and also prayed with His brethren and Talmidim in the Synagogue.

When we come before His Throne we do not just barge through the door. We are to enter His Gates with Thanksgiving and enter His courts with Praise. When we enter into prayer, we are entering into the very Holy of Holies and we are in the very Presence of THE KING. When we pray as a Messianic Community, we are also bonding together as One In Messiah. We are bearing one anothers burdens and connecting with one another as we come before The Throne Of Grace and are truly coming together as One In Messiah.

Since Yeshua The Messiah is YHVW in the Flesh, He alone is the Mediator between G-d and man. Praying to Yeshua is not a violation of this Jewish principle of prayer since He Himself is The YHVW Almighty. To pray in His Name is to be able to come into the Holy of Holies because of the Blood of the Covenant. You can not go into the Holy of Holies with being covered by the blood of Yeshua our Sacrifice. To pray in Yeshua's Name is to say I am able to enter the Throne room because a sacrifice has been made on my behalf.

Heb 9:11 But when the Messiah appeared as cohen gadol of the good things that are

happening already, then, through the greater and more perfect Tent which is not manmade (that is, it is not of this created world),

Heb 9:12 he entered the Holiest Place once and for all. And he entered not by means of the blood of goats and calves, but by means of his own blood, thus setting people free forever.

Heb 9:13 For if sprinkling ceremonially unclean persons with the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer restores their outward purity;

Heb 9:14 then how much more the blood of the Messiah, who, through the eternal Spirit, offered himself to God as a sacrifice without blemish, will purify our conscience from works that lead to death, so that we can serve the living God!

Heb 10:19 So, brothers, we have confidence to use the way into the Holiest Place opened by the blood of Yeshua.

Heb 10:20 He inaugurated it for us as a new and living way through the parokhet, by means of his flesh.

Heb 10:21 We also have a great cohen over God's household.

Heb 10:22 Therefore, let us approach the Holiest Place with a sincere heart, in the full assurance that comes from trusting - with our hearts sprinkled clean from a bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

We have been immersed in The Mikveh and Cleansed by the blood of Yeshua and can now enter into the Holiest Place as His Chosen, Set Apart People, His Holy Priesthood, His Holy Nation - Israel.

Jas 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Read Psalm 119: 137-144

Psa 119:137^s(Tzadeh) You are righteous, Adonai; and your rulings are upright.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #6 - The Words Of The Prophets Are True

"I believe with complete faith that the words of the prophets are true"

Deu 13:1(13:2) If there arise in the midst of thee a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams and he give thee a sign or a wonder,

Deu 13:2(13:3) and the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spoke unto thee saying: 'Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them'; Deu 13:3(13:4) thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or unto that dreamer of dreams; for the LORD your God putteth you to proof, to know whether ye do love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Deu 13:4(13:5) After the LORD your God shall ye walk, and Him shall ye fear, and His commandments shall ye keep, and unto His voice shall ye hearken, and Him shall ye serve, and unto Him shall ye cleave. (The Word has a lot to say about False Prophets, especially the one that will appear in the last days)

Deu 18:18 I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee; and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

2Pe 1:16 For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. 2Pe 1:17 For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." 2Pe 1:18 And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

2Pe 1:19 And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

2Pe 1:20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,

2Pe 1:21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

Joh 5:39You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

Principle #6 Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that Yeshua Ha Mashiach is the Messiah which the prophets spoke about that was to come. I believe that the words of the prophets are true and everything that has been spoken in The Word will be fullfilled in His timing. Not one word of YHVW, not one jot or title shall be done away with till ALL has been fulfilled as Yeshua said. I believe that Yeshua is Prophet, Priest and King and His Words are true"

The True Prophet of YHVW

- Will never turn you away from the word to serve false gods
- They will speak ONLY what YHVW has told them to speak
- They will not tickle mens earths, but only speak His Word
- A true prophet of G-d will NEVER say that the Torah/Teachings and Instructions of YHVW have been done away with or do not matter. If they do they are a false prophet and are NOT to be believed.
- Calls men to repentance and to return to His Torah/Teaching and Instructions
- Proclaimed the restoration of all of Israel
- Judgement & Punishment for disobedience to YHVH Word
- Blessings for those who would repent/Teshuvah return to G-ds Teachings and Instructions His Torah and Curses for those who will not obey His word.
- The end of Evil and the rule and reign of Messiah on the earth
- They will rebuke sin
- They will speak of both Heaven and Hell
- A New Heaven and A New Earth
- We will rule and reighn with Messiah for eternity

• They testify of Messiah Yeshua-His first coming as the suffering servant and His second coming as Messiah Ben David-King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

Messiah is The True Prophet, High Priest and King!

If we truly believe the words of the prophets are true, then we should read them and take head to what they are saying because they still speak to us today and they speak of Messiah. There are still prophecy's to be fullfilled today regarding the end times, Israel and Yeshua's return. If you do not know the Word then you can be deceived by those who call themselves prophets/proclaimers of the Word, but are not. Yeshua warned us of this (false prophets and false messiahs) in Matthew 24, because Yeshua is The Chief Prophet of the Word, and as our Messiah and King we need to heed what He is saying to His Body.

Act 3:18 But this is how God fulfilled what he had announced in advance, when he spoke through all the prophets, namely, that his Messiah was to die.

Act 3:19 "Therefore, repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be erased;

Act 3:20 so that times of refreshing may come from the Lord's presence; and he may send the Messiah appointed in advance for you, that is, Yeshua.

Act 3:21 He has to remain in heaven until the time comes for restoring everything, as God said long ago, when he spoke through the holy prophets.

Act 3:22 For Moshe himself said, 'Adonai will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your brothers. You are to listen to everything he tells you.

Act 3:23 Everyone who fails to listen to that prophet will be removed from the people and destroyed.'

Act 3:24 Indeed, all the prophets announced these days, starting with Sh'mu'el and continuing through all who followed.

Act 3:25 "You are the sons of the prophets; and you are included in the covenant which God made with our fathers when he said to Avraham, 'By your seed will all the families of the earth be blessed.'

Act 3:26 So it is to you first that God has sent his servant whom he has raised up, so that he might bless you by turning each one of you from your evil ways."

Read Matthew 24 and Revelation 1-3

YESHUA IS THE MESSIAH!

Read Psalm 119: 145-152

Psa 119:145,(Kuf) Wholeheartedly I am calling on you; answer me, Adonai; I will keep your laws



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #7 - Moses Is The Father Of The Prophets

"I believe with complete faith that the prophecy of Moses our teacher, peace upon him, was true and that he was the Father of the prophets"

Rabinical Judaism believes that the superlative agent of divine revelation was Moses, but forget that Moses, in his own words said that a Prophet would arise in the acharit hayamim (last days) "like unto him" that would reveal the Word of YHVW to Israel. Referring to the Messiah Yeshua. It was G-d who gave the Torah to Moses and showed Moses through the Torah Messiah who was to come.

Deu 18:15 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your countrymen, you shall listen to him.

Deu 18:17 "The LORD said to me, 'They have spoken well.

Deu 18:18 'I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. Deu 18:19 'It shall come about that whoever will not listen to My words which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require it of him. NASB

Heb 3:1 Therefore, brothers whom God has set apart, who share in the call from heaven, think carefully about Yeshua, whom we acknowledge publicly as God's emissary and as

cohen gadol.

Heb 3:2 He was faithful to God, who appointed him; just as "Moshe was faithful in all God's house."

Heb 3:3 But Yeshua deserves more honor than Moshe, just as the builder of the house deserves more honor than the house.

Heb 3:4 For every house is built by someone, but the one who built everything is God. Heb 3:5 Also, Moshe was faithful in all God's house, as a servant giving witness to things God would divulge later.

Heb 3:6 But the Messiah, as Son, was faithful over God's house. And we are that house of his, provided we hold firmly to the courage and confidence inspired by what we hope for.

There are at least 79 verses in the Brit Hadasha that refer to Moses, and the Brit Hadasah writters never took away from Moses greatness. But they also knew that the Torah given to Moses pointed to Yeshua who is the Word made flesh. John 1:1

Yeshua is greater then Moses because Yeshua is YHVH in the flesh and all the types and shadows of the Tabernacle and sacrifices in the Torah pointed to Him. The words of the Tenack prophets pointed to Him as well and David himself, the greatest King of Israel who was a Prophet as well, knew there was a King greater then him to come and that He was reveled in the Torah given to Moese and that King was Messiah Yeshua.

Joh 1:17 For the Torah was given through Moshe; grace and truth came through Yeshua the Messiah.

Joh 1:18 No one has ever seen God; but the only and unique Son, who is identical with God and is at the Father's side - he has made him known.

It is safe to say that Moses was the greatest of the Tenack/Torah, Prophets and Writtings, however I am sure that Moses himself would deny that he was the greatest, because he looked forward to the Messiah, who is Yeshua who was to come. We must remember that the Torah points to Yeshua and that we are to walk in Torah obedience through the grace of Yeshua the Messiah. Yeshua is the author of Torah and taught Torah so all Torah study must be studied as Yeshua taught it. It is very easy to get caught up in being legalistic, but Yeshua said that His Torah was not a burden.

It is only through the power of the Ruach HaKodesh that Yeshua sent on Shavuot that we can walk in the Spirit of Torah and avoid legalism. One of the expectations of Messiah was that He would come and correctly teach the Torah. Yeshua did just that! He did not do away with it, but came to show us how to live it through Him. At Shavuot the Torah has now been written upon the hearts of those who love Him and it is a natural expression of our faith to walk in Torah obedience because we love Him. We are to pattern our lives after Yeshua and walk in His footsteps, and sit at His feet. Moses as great a prophet he was, knew there was one greater then him to come. Yeshua's life was perfect and sinless and He walked in perfect Torah obedience that was given to Moses through Him.

Yeshua revealed the Word of YHVW to Israel when He walked this earth and He is still doing so today as we study His Word the Ruach HaKodesh continues to give us revelation knowledge daily.

Principle #6 Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that Yeshua is the prophet and Messiah that Moses spoke about that would reveal the Word of YHVW/Torah to Israel. Moses was the vessel that G-d choose to use to give His Torah/Teachings and instruction to Israel, and Yeshua was G-d's vessel who brought grace and truth to Israel along with Torah. As Moses was faithful In G-d's House, Yeshua is faithful over G-d's house. Yeshua deserves more honor then Moses because Yeshua was the builder of that House, and we are that House"

Even Moses Himself would agree with the words of Yochanon the Immerser/John The Baptist..

Joh 1:14 The Word became a human being and lived with us, and we saw his Sh'khinah, the Sh'khinah of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

Joh 1:15 Yochanan witnessed concerning him when he cried out, <u>"This is the man I was talking about when I said, 'The one coming after me has come to rank ahead of me, because he existed before me.' "</u>

Joh 1:16 We have all received from his fullness, yes, grace upon grace.

Joh 1:17 For the Torah was given through Moshe; grace and truth came through Yeshua the Messiah.

All Majesty, Glory and Honor Belong to Yeshua Our King

Read Psalm 119: 153-160

119:153¬(Resh) Look at my distress, and rescue me, for I do not forget your Torah.



We have completed 6 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #8 - The Torah Has Been Divinely Preserved

"I believe with complete faith that the entire Torah now in our hands is the same one that was given to Moses our teacher, peace be unto him"

Principle #9 - The Torah Cannot Be Changed

"I believe with complete faith that the Torah will not be changed nor will there be another Torah from the Creator, blessed be His Name"

Yeshua confirms that the Torah will not be done away with.

Torah Rediscovered - Berkowitz p.13

"The Torah is unique because it is a covenant, a National constitution, and a marriage agreement. But it is also unique because of the way Yeshua related to it. Although not acknowledged as such in many circles today, our Messiah was the greatest Torah teacher who ever lived"

"Through Yeshua's teachings run the underlying assumption that God's covenant people are to have a living meaningful and on going relationship to Torah. In other words in Yeshua's thinking, one of the Torah's main purposes is to describe the lifestyle of the redeemed community Mat 5:17 "Don't think that I have come to abolish the Torah or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to complete.

Mat 5:18 Yes indeed! I tell you that until heaven and earth pass away, not so much as a yud (') or a stroke will pass from the Torah - not until everything that must happen has happened.

Mat 5:19 So whoever disobeys the least of these mitzvot and teaches others to do so will be called the least in the Kingdom of Heaven. But whoever obeys them and so teaches will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Yeshua clearly is stating that Torah needs to be obeyed and taught. Contrary to popular teaching in traditional Churches, Yeshua did not come to do away with the Torah! He lived the Torah, He taught the Torah, He was and is the Living Torah.

Are we studying to do? Or are we looking for the loop holes as an excuse not to obey His Word?

Deu 28:1 "If you listen closely to what Adonai your God says, observing and obeying all his mitzvot which I am giving you today, Adonai your God will raise you high above all the nations on earth;

Deu 28:2 and all the following blessings will be yours in abundance - if you will do what Adonai your God says:

If we obey we will be blessed, if we disobey we will be cursed. That is what G-d's word says.

Deu 28:15 "But if you refuse to pay attention to what Adonai your God says, and do not observe and obey all his mitzvot and regulations which I am giving you today, then all the following curses will be yours in abundance:

His Torah shows us His standard of righteousness and holiness. A standard that we all have fallen short of His standard of righteusness, but through Yeshua we can now walk in obedience to Torah because He satisifed the righteous requirement for us.

Walking in obedience to His Word is a joy and a priviledge. I am not looking for loop holes in the Law/Torah, but I am saying Yes and Amen!

Principle #8-9 - Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with perfect faith that Yeshua did not come to do away with Torah. The Torah is eternal and is the foundation on which the entire Word is established from Genesis to Revelation. Yeshua came to correctly teach us the Eternal Torah and to show us the Father and fulfilled the demands of the Torah for us. Through Him we can walk in obedience to Torah without condemnation but with joy. His Shabbat is eternal, His Feasts are eternal, His Word stands forever"

Shavuot is about recieving of the Torah on Mt Sinai and in our hearts. There are great blessings in obeying His Torah. That is why these past weeks we have been examining our hearts and repenting of doubt, unbelief and disobedience.

Psa 19:7 The Torah of Adonai is perfect, restoring the inner person. The instruction of Adonai is sure, making wise the thoughtless.

Psa 19:8 The precepts of Adonai are right, rejoicing the heart. The mitzvah of Adonai is pure, enlightening the eyes.

Psa 19:9 The fear of Adonai is clean, enduring forever. The rulings of Adonai are true, they are righteous altogether,

Psa 19:10 more desirable than gold, than much fine gold, also sweeter than honey or drippings from the honeycomb.

Psa 19:11 Through them your servant is warned; in obeying them there is great reward.

Read Psalm 119: 161-168

Psa 119:161w(Shin) Princes persecute me for no reason, but my heart stands in awe of your words.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #10 - G-d knows all things

"I believe with complete faith that G-d the creator blessed be He knows all the deeds of the human beings and all their thoughts, as it is said "He who fashions together their hearts, is He who understands all their deeds"

This Psalm says it perfectly.....

Psa 139:1 For the choir director. A Psalm of David. O LORD, You have searched me and known me.

Psa 139:2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar.

Psa 139:3 You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways.

Psa 139:4 Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O LORD, You know it all. Psa 139:5 You have enclosed me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me.

Psa 139:6Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is too high, I cannot attain to it.

Psa 139:7 Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? Psa 139:8 If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there.

Psa 139:9 If I take the wings of the dawn, If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, Psa 139:10 Even there Your hand will lead me, And Your right hand will lay hold of me. Psa 139:11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will overwhelm me, And the light around me will be night,"

Psa 139:12 Even the darkness is not dark to You, And the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are alike to You.

Psa 139:13 For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb.

Psa 139:14 I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well.

Psa 139:15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;

Psa 139:16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them. Psa 139:17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

Psa 139:18 If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand. When I awake, I am still with You.

Psa 139:19 O that You would slay the wicked, O God; Depart from me, therefore, men of bloodshed.

Psa 139:20 For they speak against You wickedly, And Your enemies take Your name invain. Psa 139:21 Do I not hate those who hate You, O LORD? And do I not loathe those who rise up against You?

Psa 139:22 I hate them with the utmost hatred; They have become my enemies.

Psa 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts; Psa 139:24 And see if there be any hurtful way in me, And lead me in the everlasting way.

Principle #10 - Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith that I am fearfully and wonderfully made. That my Creator, YHVH was the one who wove me in my mothers womb and placed gifts within me that I may serve Him and be a blessing to others. He knows every hurt and every pain and the very hairs upon my head are numbered. There is nowhere I can go, that you are not there with me and I can be confident that Yeshua will be with me even unto the end of the age"

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

Mat 28:19"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

Mat 28:20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

He has a plan and purpose for every one of us. As we approach Shavuout, be prepared to receive a fresh anointing from Him so you can go forward and do what He has called you to do; to make disciples of all the nations.

Read Psalm 119: 169-176

Psa 119:169 t Tav. Let my cry come before You, O LORD; Give me understanding according to Your word.



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #11 - G-d Rewards The Righteous and Punishes The Wicked

"I believe with complete faith that the Creator, blessed be He, rewards good to those who keep His mitzvot but punishes those who violate them"

2Th 1:4 Therefore, we boast about you in the congregations of God because of your perseverance and trust in all the persecutions and troubles you are going through. 2Th 1:5 This is clear evidence that God's judgment is just; and as a result, you will be counted worthy of the Kingdom of God for which you are suffering.

2Th 1:6 For it is justice for God to pay back trouble to those who are troubling you, 2Th 1:7 and to give rest along with us to you who are being troubled, when the Lord Yeshua is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels

2Th 1:8 in a fiery flame. Then he will punish those who don't know God, that is, those who don't listen to the Good News of our Lord Yeshua and obey it.

2Th 1:9 They will suffer the just penalty of eternal destruction, far away from the face of the Lord and the glory of his might.

2Th 1:10 On that Day, when he comes to be glorified by his holy people and admired by all who have trusted, you will be among them, because you trusted our witness to you.

2Th 1:11 With this in view, we always pray for you that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill by his power every good purpose of yours and every action stemming from your trust.

2Th 1:12 In this way, the name of our Lord Yeshua will be glorified in you, and you in him, in accordance with the grace of our God and the Lord Yeshua the Messiah.

Even though at times it looks like the wicked are winning, in the end our righteous King will judge those who have rejected His Word and have persecuted His people Israel.

He never promised us that we would not suffer, or have tribulation, or be popular, but He did promise us that in the end that the wicked will face their judge finally. G-d is the one who will pay back our enemies, they will face eternity in Hell (I know that is not popular to teach anymore, but it's the truth) and we will spend eternity ruling and reigning with Messiah.

Rev 2:11 Those who have ears, let them hear what the Spirit is saying to the Messianic communities. He who wins the victory will not be hurt at all by the seconddeath." '

Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is anyone who has a part in the first resurrection; over him the seconddeath has no power. On the contrary, they will be cohanim of God and of the Messiah, and they will rule with him for the thousand years.

Rev 20:14 Then Death and Sh'ol were hurled into the lake of fire. This is the seconddeath - the lake of fire.

Rev 21:8 But as for the cowardly, the untrustworthy, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those involved with the occult and with drugs, idol-worshippers, and all liars - their destiny is the lake burning with fire and sulfur, the second death."

It is not G-d's will or pleasure for any man to perish. He is daily pleading with mankind through The Word and His Ruach HaKodesh to repent/Teshuvah and return to Him. Yet, there will be many who will face an eternity away from Him, that would not have to if only they would repent and bow their knee to Him.

We need to continually preach the truth of His Word to whoever He sends our way, that today is the day of salvation because tomorrow may never come.

Let us diligently be praying for those who do not know Messiah Yeshua, especially our loved ones, and that they will find the same Shalom, Grace and Mercy that we have found In Messiah.

Yeshua The Messiah also taught that there is a reward for the faithful and punishment for the unbelieving. Read Matthew 5

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and

books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.

Rev 20:14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

Rev 20:15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Rev 11:18 "And the nations were enraged, and Your wrath came, and the time came for the dead to be judged, <u>and the time to reward Your bond-servants the prophets and the</u> <u>saints and those who fear Your name, the small and the great, and to destroy those who</u> <u>destroy the earth."</u>

Rev 11:19 And the temple of God which is in heaven was opened; and the ark of His covenant appeared in His temple, and there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder and an earthquake and a great hailstorm.

Principle #11 - Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with perfect faith that all will stand before the judgement seat of Messiah, both the great and the small and those who love Him will be rewarded and those who hated Him and His Word will be punishe

Psa 1:1 How blessed are those who reject the advice of the wicked, don't stand on the way of sinners or sit where scoffers sit!

Psa 1:2 Their delight is in Adonai's Torah; on his Torah they meditate day and night.

Psa 1:3 They are like trees planted by streams - they bear their fruit in season, their leaves never wither, everything they do succeeds.

Psa 1:4 Not so the wicked, who are like chaff driven by the wind.

Psa 1:5 For this reason the wicked won't stand up to the judgment, nor will sinners at the gathering of the righteous.

Psa 1:6 For Adonai watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.



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13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #12 - The Mashiach Will Come

"I believe with complete faith in the coming of the Messiah, and though he may delay, nevertheless I wait for his coming every day"

Act 1:11 The men said, "You Galileans! Why are you standing, staring into space? This Yeshua, who has been taken away from you into heaven, will come back to you in just the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Our Bridegroom Yeshua Will Return For His Bride!

Israel (and if you are a believer in Messiah that includes you) is the Bride. Our Bridegroom gave us a marriage contract called "Torah'. Yeshua came and renewed that Marriage contract as the Bridegroom because Israel had broken the covenant and contract, <u>G-d never broke the covenant</u>, Israel did by her unfaithfullness. But through His Grace and Mercy He has renewed that covenant with Israel through the blood of Messiah.

<u>The "Christian Church" has not and never will replace Israel</u>. Instead through Messiah they have been grafted INTO the Olive Tree of Israel. It is through Messiah that we have been grafted into the Olive Tree of Israel. It is also through Messiah Yeshua, that

Judah and Ephraim are restored and become ONE STICK IN HIS HAND (Ezekial 37).

G-ds covenants are only with Israel, and if you are In Messiah, then you are also a part of the covenants of Israel. It is only through Messiah Yeshua that ALL Israel can be restored-Judah, Ephraim, which includes The Nations who have been grafted in as well.

Romans 11-Read ALL of Romans 10,11 & 12

Ephesians 5:25-27

A Jewish Bride goes through a Mikveh in preperation for her wedding day.

Eph 5:25 As for husbands, love your wives, just as the Messiah loved the Messianic Community, indeed, gave himself up on its behalf,

Eph 5:26 in order to set it apart for God, making it clean through immersion in the mikveh, so to speak,

Eph 5:27 in order to present the Messianic Community to himself as a bride to be proud of, without a spot, wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without defect.

Eze 16:8 " 'Again I passed by you, looked at you and saw that your time had come, the time for love. So I spread my cloak over you to cover your private parts and entered into a covenant with you,' says Adonai Elohim, 'and you became mine. Eze 16:9 Then I bathed you in water, washed the blood off you, and anointed you with oil.

We are the Bride of Messiah and we also need to go through the Mikveh in preperation for our Wedding Day, when we will be joined with our Messiah Yeshua under the Chupah. His Word Mikveh's us and washes us clean. His Blood makes our wedding garments as white as snow.

As His Bride we are to eagerly await the return of our Bridegroom. Are we wise or foolish virgins, are our lamps filled with oil or are they empty. Are we watching for His return, or have we been enticed with other suiters, those who would try to turn us away from our TRUE Bridegroom and His Torah/Marriage Contract sealed by His Blood?

Mat 25:1"Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Mat 25:2"Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. Mat 25:3"For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them,

Mat 25:4but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps.

Mat 25:5"Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. Mat 25:6"But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

Mat 25:7"Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.

Mat 25:8"The foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

Mat 25:9"But the prudent answered, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.'

Mat 25:10"And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut.

Mat 25:11"Later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.'

Mat 25:12"But he answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.'

Mat 25:13"Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

Principle #12 - Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith in the return of Yeshua Ha Mashiach, our Bridegroom to earth, and though he may delay, nevertheless I wait for His coming every day"

Are we ready for the Wedding Day? Do we long for His return? Do we believe with complete faith that He will come back just as He promised He would?

Baruch Haba B'Shem Adonai - Blessed Is He Who Comes In The Name Of The Lord

EVEN SO COME QUICKLY YESHUA! WE LONG TO SEE YOUR FACE AND BE WITH YOU FOREVER.

Who Is The Bride Of Messiah- Chapter 14 Eddie Chumney

His book is no longer available but you can read this excellent study on his website.

Rev 19:4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!" Rev 19:5 And a voice came from the throne, saying, "Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great."

Rev 19:6 Then I heard something like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of

many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

Rev 19:7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."

Rev 19:8 It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

Rev 19:9 Then he *said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he *said to me, "These are true words of God."



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Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

13 Principles of The Jewish Faith (Below is my Messianic Version as well)

Principle #13 - The Dead Will Be Resurrected

"I believe with complete faith that there will be a resurrection of the dead, when the Creator so wills, blessed be his Name and exalted be his remembrance forever and for all eternity"

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Pirkei Avot 4:22-'Those who are born are destined to die, and those who die are destined to live"

The Resurrection of the dead is a major doctrine of Orthodox Judaism and Christianity and well as those of us who are Messianic Believers. The faith in Ressurection back to life goes all the way back to Abraham, when he was told to sacrifice Issac (Genesis 22:1-14), it was his faith in the one who he knew had the power to bring His son back to life from death.

Heb 11:17 By trusting, Avraham, when he was put to the test, offered up Yitz'chak as a sacrifice. Yes, he offered up his only son, he who had received the promises, Heb 11:18 to whom it had been said, "What is called your 'seed' will be in Yitz'chak." Heb 11:19 For he had concluded that God could even raise people from the dead! And, figuratively speaking, he did so receive him.

Yeshua gave us a taste of the Ressurection by bringing Lazarus back to life from death!

Joh 11:23 Yeshua *said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Joh 11:24 Martha *said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

Joh 11:25 Yeshua said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,

Joh 11:26and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Joh 11:39 Yeshua*said, "Remove the stone." Martha, the sister of the deceased, *said to Him, "Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days."

Joh 11:40 Yeshua*said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

Joh 11:41 So they removed the stone. Then Yeshua raised His eyes, and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.

Joh 11:42"I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me."

Joh 11:43 When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth."

Joh 11:44 The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Yeshua *said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Joh 11:45 Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him.

As well as others who went before us.

Heb 11:35 Women received back their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection;

1Th 4:13 Now, brothers, we want you to know the truth about those who have died; otherwise, you might become sad the way other people

1Th 4:14 do who have nothing to hope for. For since we believe that Yeshua died and rose again, we also believe that in the same way God, through Yeshua, will take with him those who have died.

1Th 4:15 When we say this, we base it on the Lord's own word: we who remain alive when the Lord comes will certainly not take precedence over those who have died.

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a rousing cry, with a call from one of the ruling angels, and with God's shofar; those who died united with the Messiah will be the first to rise;

1Th 4:17 then we who are left still alive will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and thus we will always be with the Lord. 1Th 4:18 So encourage each other with these words.

Our faith is based on the Resurrection of our Messiah Yeshua, proof that He is YHVW and the Promised Messiah, and has overcome Hell, Death and the Grave for US!

1Co 15:51 Look, I will tell you a secret - not all of us will die! But we will all be changed! 1Co 15:52 It will take but a moment, the blink of an eye, at the final shofar. For the shofar will sound, and the dead will be raised to live forever, and we too will be changed. 1Co 15:53 For this material which can decay must be clothed with imperishability, this which is mortal must be clothed with immortality.

1Co 15:54 When what decays puts on imperishability and what is mortal puts on immortality, then this passage in the Tanakh will be fulfilled: "Death is swallowed up in victory.

1Co 15:55 "Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting?"

Strongs #G386-Ressurection ανάστασις anastasis an-as'-tas-is From G450; a standing up agai

From G450; a standing up again, that is, (literally) a resurrection from death (individual, general or by implication (its author)), or (figuratively) a (moral) recovery (of spiritual truth): - raised to life again, resurrection, rise from the dead, that should rise, rising again.

Pray as well that <u>if you have become dead in your faith</u>, that this Shavuot He would Ressurect (Bring Back To Life) your fire!

Pray that.....

- He would give you a Resurrected Zeal to Share His Word with Others
- He would Resurrect your first love
- He would Ressurect your fire
- He would Ressurect your love for the brethren
- He would Ressurect your desire to be with other like minded believers
- He would Ressurect your desire to serve Him
- He would Ressurect your desire to serve the brethren
- He would Ressurect your desire to see the Lost come to know Him
- He would Ressurect your servant attitude

- He would Ressurect the spirit of humility in you
- He would Ressurect the fire you had within you when you first came to know Him
- He would Ressurect the power of His Ressurection in your Life
- He would Ressurect your courage
- He would Ressurect you spirit, soul and body that it might bring glory to HIM
- He would Ressurect your ZEAL for His Torah/Word
- He would Ressurect your fearlessness
- He would Ressurect the Love of YHVW in your LIFE
- He would Ressurect your commitment to serve Him no matter what obstacles you may face
- He would Ressurect your love for Israel and the Jewish people
- HE WOULD HELP YOU TO LIVE A RESURRECTED LIFE IN HIM

Principle #13 - Deborah's Messianic Version

"I believe with complete faith in the ressurection of the dead and that those who died in Messiah will one day have a glorified and ressurected body and that we will forever be with Yahshua. I believe with complete faith the words of my Master Yeshua who said "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die."



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Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness, Sowing in the noontide and the dewy eve; Waiting for the harvest, and the time of reaping, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Refrain:

Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves; Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows, Fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze; By and by the harvest, and the labor ended, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master, Though the loss sustained our spirit often grieves; When our weeping's over, He will bid us welcome, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. My Sabbath keeping grandmother, who went to be with Yeshua many years ago, used to sit at her piano and sing and play this song. She was a Sabbath Keeping believer in Messiah. I never knew anyone as loving as her or who loved her Messiah more then she did. She sowed seeds in my young life of Torah, Sabbath Keeping, Kosher eating and I am forever thankful to YHVW for giving her to me, and I look forward to the day when I will see her again. Her first name was Grace, and it fit her perfectly because she was a woman full of Grace and His Word.

We are coming close to Shavuot, what matters most, is not when we began to count the Omer after Passover, (because that argument has been going on since Yeshua's days) but are we walking in the Love of Messiah towards one another. Man looks at the outside, but YHVH/G-d looks are our hearts. Are we going to be rejoicing at the Feast of Shavuot and thanking him for His Torah, For Yeshua and for His Ruach HaKodesh that He gave us? Or are we going to let the enemy steal our joy, by being critical and self-righteous towards one another.

During this 49 days of counting the Omer/Sheaves, have we emptied ourselfs of self, so we can be filled with Him?

What kind of fruit will we produce? Bitter or Sweet?

<u>Bitter Fruit:</u>

Gal 5:17 For the old nature wants what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit wants what is contrary to the old nature. These oppose each other, so that you find yourselves unable to carry out your good intentions.

Gal 5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, then you are not in subjection to the system that results from perverting the Torah into legalism.

Gal 5:19 And it is perfectly evident what the old nature does. It expresses itself in sexual immorality, impurity and indecency;

Gal 5:20 involvement with the occult and with drugs; in feuding, fighting, becoming jealous and getting angry; in selfish ambition, factionalism, intrigue

Gal 5:21 and envy; in drunkenness, orgies and things like these. I warn you now as I have warned you before: those who do such things will have no share in the Kingdom of God!

Sweet Fruit:

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

Gal 5:23 humility, self control. Nothing in the Torah stands against such things.

Gal 5:24 Moreover, those who belong to the Messiah Yeshua have put their old nature to death on the stake, along with its passions and desires.

Gal 5:25 Since it is through the Spirit that we have Life, let it also be through the Spirit

that we order our lives day by day.

Gal 5:26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

The Megilat to be read for Shavuot is The Book Of Ruth/Rut

Here we have a story of selfless love, devotion to family,devotion to the G-d of Israel and a woman who was a convert to the G-d of Israel, wife, widow, lover, dauther-in-law, friend who became the great-great-grandmother of Kind David himself, and is named in the geneology of Yeshua.

The story of Ruth takes place during the feast of Shavuot. She was not from the seed of Avraham, but from the nations, a Moabite, but today she is considered just as much a part of Israel, and a Jew, as any who was natural born. Isn't this a beautiful picture of the Wild Olive Branch being grafted into the Olive Tree? Boaz being from the seed of Avraham 'The Natural Branch' and Ruth being the "Wild Olive Branch" from the nations, when they married they became one, (a picture of the the 2 sticks-becoming One Stick In His Hand-Romans 11) and from that union came King David.....King Yeshua.

Rth 1:16 But Rut said, "Don't press me to leave you and stop following you; for wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God will be my God.

Rth 1:17 Where you die, I will die; and there I will be buried. May Adonai bring terrible curses on me, and worse ones as well, if anything but death separates you and me."

Her love was unconditional in every way and she totally identified with the G-d of Israel and His people. Now that is Sweet Spiritual Fruit!

Boaz is also a picture of a man, who wanted to do what was right according to Torah in marrying Ruth, by becoming her Kinsman Redeemer, a type of Messiah our Redeemer.

Rth 4:8 So the redeemer said to Bo`az, "Buy it for yourself," and took off his shoe. Rth 4:9 Bo`az addressed the leaders and all the people: "You are witnesses today that I am purchasing from Na`omi all that belonged to Elimelekh and all that belonged to Kilyon and Machlon.

Rth 4:10 Also I am acquiring as my wife Rut the woman from Mo'av, the wife of Machlon, in order to raise up in the name of the deceased an heir for his property; so that the name of the deceased will not be cut off from his kinsmen and from the gate of his place. You are witnesses today."

Rth 4:11 All the people at the gate and the leaders said, "We are witnesses. May Adonai make the woman who has come into your house like Rachel and like Le'ah, who between them built up the house of Isra'el. Do worthy deeds in Efrat; become renowned in Beit-Lechem.

Rth 4:12 May your house, because of the seed Adonai will give you from this young woman, become like the house of Peretz, whom Tamar bore to Y'hudah."

Rth 4:13 So Bo`az took Rut, and she became his wife. He had sexual relations with her, Adonai enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son.

Rth 4:14 Then the women said to Na`omi, "Blessed be Adonai, who today has provided you a redeemer! May his name be renowned in Isra'el.

Rth 4:15 May he restore your life and provide for your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you and is better to you than seven sons, has given birth to him."

Bo`az was the father of `Oved,

Rth 4:22 `Oved was the father of Yishai, and Yishai was the father of David.

Mat 1:5 Salmon was the father of Bo`az (his mother was Rachav), Bo`az was the father of `Oved (his mother was Rut), `Oved was the father of Yishai, Mat 1:6 Yishai was the father of David the king

From King David To Messiah Yeshua

Mat 1:16 Ya`akov was the father of Yosef the husband of Miryam, from whom was born the Yeshua who was called the Messiah.

It is a beautiful Love story, but the greatest Love Story of them all is between Yeshua and His Bride. May we have a heart like Ruth (woman) and righteous ways as Boaz (men). That our children can look back at our lives, and say "they were truly men and woman of *G*-d and it was because of their examples that I am serving Yeshua today"

Sabbath Prayer

The Story of Ruth made me think of the song above

WE SHALL COME REJOICING BRINGING IN THE SHEAVES!



We have completed 7 weeks counting to Shavuot

Sitting At The Feet Of Our Master Yeshua

We end where we began

The End Of The Counting of the Omer to Shavuot

As the counting of the Omer ends at Shavuot, it is a time to rejoice and give thanks for HisTorah and The Ruach HaKodesh.

John 13:16-17

16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever-

17 The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] and will be in you.

Language of the Soul By: Jay Litvin

After the Children of Israel left Egypt, 49 days passed before they received the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai. Tradition teaches that each of these days was necessary for the Children of Israel to refine themselves and be worthy of this gift. On each day they examined and corrected another of their inner traits and qualities. There were 49 in all.

These forty nine traits were comprised of seven basic attributes. Each of the seven contained all of the other seven, thus comprising forty nine.

Jewish sources tell us that the soul of man includes these seven Basic Attributes:

- * Love/Kindness (Chessed)
- * Vigor/Discipline (Gevurah)
- * Beauty/Harmony/Compassion (Tiferet)
- * Victory/Endurance/Determination (Netzach)
- * Humility/Devotion (Hod)
- * Foundation/Bonding/Connection (Yesod)
- * Majesty/Dignity (Malchut)

These 7 virtues are a perfect picture of Yeshua our Messiah and it is His desire that we be conformed to His image by the power of the Ruach HaKodesh. Hopefully these 7 weeks have been a blessed time for you to grow more spiritual fruit in your life and die more and more to the works of the flesh that He will be glorified in the Life He Has given us.

Galatians 5:22-26

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 humility, self control. Nothing in the Torah stands against such things.
24 Moreover, those who belong to the Messiah Yeshua have put their old nature to death on the stake, along with its passions and desires. 25 Since it is through the Spirit that we have Life, let it also be through the Spirit that we order our lives day by day.
26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.[3]

11 Peter 1:1-11

1 1 From: Shim'on Kefa, a slave and emissary of Yeshua the Messiah To: Those who, through the righteousness of our God and of our Deliverer Yeshua the Messiah, have been given the same kind of trust as ours:

2 May grace and shalom be yours in full measure, as you come to a full knowledge of God and Yeshua our Lord.

3 God's power has given us everything we need for life and godliness, through our knowing the One who called us to his own glory and goodness.

4 By these he has given us valuable and superlatively great promises, so that through them you might come to share in God's nature and escape the corruption which evil desires have brought into the world.

5 For this very reason, try your hardest to furnish your faith with goodness, goodness with knowledge,

6 knowledge with self-control, self-control with perseverance, perseverance with godliness,

7 godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

8 For if you have these qualities in abundance, they keep you from being barren and unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah.

9 Indeed, whoever lacks them is blind, so shortsighted that he forgets that his past sins have been washed away.

10 Therefore, brothers, try even harder to make your being called and chosen a certainty. For if you keep doing this, you will never stumble.

11 Thus you will be generously supplied with everything you need to enter the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Deliverer, Yeshua the Messiah.[4]

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

4 Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughtily.

5 It is not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); it is not rude (unmannerly) and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong].

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6 It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail.

7 Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening].

8 Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]. As for prophecy (the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose), it will be fulfilled and pass away; as for tongues, they will be destroyed and cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away [it will lose its value and be superseded by truth].[5]

May He Fill Us To Overflowing This Shavuot with The Fruit of His Spirit of Love, Joy and Shalom!



AREAS WHERE THE RUACH HAKODESH AS SHOWN ME THAT I NEED SPIRITUAL IMPROVEMENT IN MY WALK WITH YESHUA.



