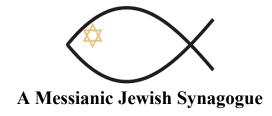
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Messianic Perspectives

Shalom and welcome to Messianic Perspectives – a program aired on radio stations WRKJ 88.5 and WMTP 91.1 in Maine, with the purpose of exploring the scriptures from a Jewish point of view. Paul, whose Hebrew name is Sha'ul writes in Romans 9:4-5:

Rom 9:4 the people of Isra'el! They were made God's children, the Sh'khinah has been with them, the covenants are theirs, likewise the giving of the Torah, the Temple service and the promises;

Rom 9:5 the Patriarchs are theirs; and from them, as far as his physical descent is concerned, came the Messiah, who is over all. Praised be Adonai for ever! Amen.

It is from this perspective that we will explore the relationship between the Tenach – the Jewish Bible and the Brith Hadoshah – the New Covenant writings.

Today's topic - Yom Kippur

As we continue our look at Yom Kippur, which is the holiest day on the Jewish calendar, we last looked at the Yeshua as our Cohen Gadol, our High Priest and how that differed from the Levitical High Priest.

Many non-Jewish believers are challenged to comprehend the significance of Yom Kippur for them as believers.

The future significance of this day to the Jewish world cannot be minimized. The impact will be felt by the entire world.

When we keep in mind that as a non-Jewish believer in Messiah, Sha'ul reminds you of your former state in Ephesians chapter 2 and verses 11 and 12:

Eph 2:11 Therefore, remember your former state: you Gentiles by birth — called the Uncircumcised by those who, merely because of an operation on their flesh, are called the Circumcised —

Eph 2:12 at that time had no Messiah. You were estranged from the national life of Isra'el. You were foreigners to the covenants embodying God's promise. You were in this world without hope and without God.

Coming into the New Covenant made with the Jewish people and ratified through Yeshua, was made available to the nations.

The significance of Yom Kippur is for the people whom the covenant is made with. There is a remnant of Jewish believers that continues to grow as we speak in that Adonai is removing the same scales from their eyes as He did from Sha'ul.

Speaking to the leaders of the Jewish community in Matthew 23 and verse 39, quoting Psalm 118:26 He says: Mat 23:39 For I tell you, from now on, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of Adonai.' "

We will see Messiah return on Yom T'ruah for which the Jewish people will recognize the one whom they had pierced, will receive Him as King and on Yom Kippur the entire community of Israel will receive atonement as conveyed by Sha'ul in Romans chapter 11 and verses 25 through 27

Rom 11:25 For, brothers, I want you to understand this truth which God formerly concealed but has now revealed, so that you won't imagine you know more than you actually do. It is that stoniness, to a degree, has come upon Isra'el, until the Gentile world enters in its fullness:

Rom 11:26 and that it is in this way that all Isra'el will be saved. As the Tanakh says, "Out of Tziyon will come the Redeemer; he will turn away ungodliness from Ya`akov

Rom 11:27 and this will be my covenant with them, . . . when I take away their sins."

When we are instructed in Torah, Leviticus chapter 19 and verse 18:

Lev 19:18 Don't take vengeance on or bear a grudge against any of your people; rather, love your neighbor as yourself; I am Adonai.

This is why this day should be equally important to you.

This month, Messianic Perspectives is offering four articles on significance of the Fall Feasts for all believers whether Jewish or not. We are including an article that conveys evidence in scripture as to when Yeshua was born. Our offer is to anyone sending a tax deductible gift in any amount in support of this ministry and Portland's only Messianic Jewish Synagogue, Kehillah Portland. If God places this ministry upon your heart, please send your offering to Jewish Heritage Revival – 12 Liberty Lane, Unit 68, South Portland, ME 04106. Please be sure to include your name and address so that we may send you a copy of the message and your tax deductible receipt.

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So, until next time when we will continue our journey into Messianic Perspectives, todah and shalom (thank you and peace)

Messianic Perspectives is brought to you by Kehilah Portland, a Messianic Jewish Synagogue located in South Portland, where both Jew and non-Jew come together to worship on Shabbat and believe Yeshua is the Messiah spoken of in scripture and is the fulfillment of many promises given to Israel and the Jewish people. We meet every Saturday at 1338 Broadway Ave. in the Greater Portland Christian School gymnasium. Our service begins at 10:00 with meet and greet, followed by Torah study at 1 pm.