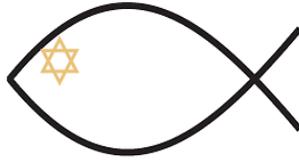


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Messianic Perspectives

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 – Meaning of Sukkot

Over the last several segments of Messianic Perspectives, we have taken a progressive look at the time on the Jewish calendar known as the High Holidays.

We started an entire month before the first Holiday with the month of Elul and how it would set the tone for the time to come. The month of Elul lead into Yom T'ruah, also known as Rosh Hashanah. Yom T'ruah was our wake up call to Yom Kippur, the day of atonement. Within the time between Yom T'ruah and Yom Kippur we talked about the 10 days of awe, a time to remember our past and come to repentance before Yom Kippur.

The primary focus of this time is found throughout the Prophets: Malachi chapter 3 and verse 7

Mal 3:7 Since the days of your forefathers you have turned from my laws and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says Adonai-Tzva'ot...

This is also a primary focus found in the New Covenant writings: Matthew chapter 3 and verse 2

Mat 3:2 "Turn from your sins to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near!"

This time was about T'shuvah, repentance, with the intent of restoring our relationship with Adonai.

Now that the heavy lifting is done and the hard work is finished, Adonai has set aside a time to enjoy with His people and our restored relationship with Him.

Sukkot, which is also known as the Feast of Tabernacles is a time of remembrance but also a time of celebration. In addition, it is also offers prophetic promises related to Yeshua and our future.

It is a time of remembrance as conveyed in Leviticus chapter 23 and verses 42 and 43

Lev 23:42 You are to live in sukkot for seven days; every citizen of Isra'el is to live in a sukkah,
Lev 23:43 so that generation after generation of you will know that I made the people of Isra'el live in sukkot when I brought them out of the land of Egypt; I am Adonai your God.' "

In addition, Sukkot is associated with the fall harvest and the tithe associated with that harvest.

There are two Sabbaths during the feast that are set aside as holy gatherings.

To Tabernacle means to dwell with.

Adonai was with Israel when He brought them out of Egypt for the entire 40 years. He tabernacled with them. This feast is to remember that time.

He did not leave them in the desert to die, they were not abandoned or orphaned. Just as Yeshua made a similar promise: John chapter 14 and verse 18

Joh 14:18 I will not leave you orphans — I am coming to you.

Feel free to visit our web site shalommaine.com. We have created articles on all the feasts including Sukkot that will provide you with a wealth of information you may have never known before. You will gain a Jewish perspective on the Messiah of your faith and how it impacts your relationship.

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

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