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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 – Passover and the New Covenant

Did you know that in the Complete Jewish Bible, Passover is mentioned 17 times in the Gospels?

When I talk about Passover, many will ask, how does this relate to Yeshua? How are His death, burial and resurrection recognized? Many don't see it because they have never been shown. I am limited in time so cannot go into great detail but our web site offers articles on the Passover in relation to Yeshua.

We have already talked about His death and burial...

There is a little known feast associated with the Passover season, and celebrated on the first day of the week, after the weekly Sabbath during the Feast of Matzah. This little known feast was associated with the first harvest in Israel. The first harvest was the barley harvest, and the feast was first fruits. Leviticus chapter 23 and verses 10 and 11

"Tell the people of Isra'el, 'After you enter the land I am giving you and harvest its ripe crops, you are to bring a sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest to the Cohen.

He is to wave the sheaf before Adonai, so that you will be accepted; the Cohen is to wave it on the day after the Shabbat.

It is on this day, the first day of the week that Yeshua was seen, or in this account not seen in the grave: Matthew 28 and verses 1 through 6

Mat 28:1 After Shabbat, as the next day was dawning, Miryam of Magdala and the other Miryam went to see the grave.

Mat 28:2 Suddenly there was a violent earthquake, for an angel of Adonai came down from heaven, rolled away the stone and sat on it.

Mat 28:3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were as white as snow.

Mat 28:4 The guards were so terrified at him that they trembled and became like dead men.

Mat 28:5 But the angel said to the women, "Don't be afraid. I know you are looking for Yeshua, who was executed on the stake.

Mat 28:6 He is not here, because he has been raised — just as he said! Come and look at the place where he lay.

Yeshua is the first fruits of the resurrection.

So, the Passover season comprising the Passover, Feast of Matzah and First fruits were used by Yeshua as a road map in accomplishing our redemption.

Next time, I will talk more about the significance of Passover for all people.

Feel free to send your questions and comments to info@jewishheritagerevival.com

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

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