Notes: Shabbat – April 13, 2013

Start: 10 am

Order of Service:

Meet and Greet
Introduction (if new people)
Announcements
Open in Prayer for service
Praise and Worship Songs
Liturgy – Sh'ma
Message
Kaddash - Time of Prayer
Aaronic Blessing
Kiddush
Oneg

Introduction: Back To Basics

Demonstration – water pouring, unobstructed, obstructed

Relation to "new testament page"

Justification - 400 years of silence – there was another time when Adonai was silent for 400 years - gap between Genesis and Exodus 400 years.

Adonai's revelation to be one of continuous flow, not to be obstructed.

How should the New Covenant writings be viewed:

The Gospels – eyewitness accounts to verify the fulfillment of the promises of Adonai.

Luke explains why he is writing:

Luk 1:1 Dear Theophilos: Concerning the matters that have taken place among us, many people have undertaken to draw up accounts

Luk 1:2 based on what was handed down to us by those who from the start were eyewitnesses and proclaimers of the message.

Luk 1:3 Therefore, Your Excellency, since I have carefully investigated all these things from the beginning, it seemed good to me that I too should write you an accurate and ordered narrative,

Luk 1:4 so that you might know how well-founded are the things about which you have been taught.

How many are required for testimony to be considered authentic?

Deu 19:15 "One witness alone will not be sufficient to convict a person of any offense or sin of any kind; the matter will be established only if there are two or three witnesses testifying against him.

2Co 13:1 This will be the third time that I have come to visit you. Any charge must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.

Sha'ul applies the biblical, Jewish evidential standard of <u>Deu_19:15</u> in a non-Jewish legal context. Therefore it cannot be said, as some Christians do, that the *Torah*'s "civil law" was abolished by the New Testament.

So, regarding evidential basis, Adonai goes beyond the testimonial requirement by offering 4 accounts.

The book of Acts is also an historical account of the grass roots establishment Matthew 28:19

Mat 28:19 Therefore, go and make people from all nations into talmidim, immersing them into the reality of the Father, the Son and the Ruach HaKodesh,

Mat 28:20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember! I will be with you always, yes, even until the end of the age."

Act 1:8 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!"

What about Sha'ul's writings?

Many use these writings to establish doctrine.

Many of Sha'ul's writings are addressed to specific congregations at specific locations, addressing matters specific to that community, whether correction, praise or edification, what Sha'ul was conveying is further emphasis of the foundational connection between the Good News and Torah in relation to Yeshua.

Going back to Acts 15 dealing with the issue of physical circumcision of adult males who came to trust in Messiah, the council held at Jerusalem decided the following:

Act 15:19 "Therefore, my opinion is that we should not put obstacles in the way of the Goyim who are turning to God.

Act 15:20 Instead, we should write them a letter telling them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from fornication, from what is strangled and from blood.

Act 15:21 For from the earliest times, Moshe has had in every city those who proclaim him, with his words being read in the synagogues every Shabbat."

Rom 1:1 From: Sha'ul, a slave of the Messiah Yeshua, an emissary because I was called and set apart for the Good News of God.

Rom 1:2 God promised this Good News in advance through his prophets in the Tanakh.

Rom 1:3 It concerns his Son — he is descended from David physically;

Rom 1:4 he was powerfully demonstrated to be Son of God spiritually, set apart by his having been resurrected from the dead; he is Yeshua the Messiah, our Lord.

Rom 1:5 Through him we received grace and were given the work of being an emissary on his behalf promoting trust-grounded obedience among all the Gentiles,

Rom 1:6 including you, who have been called by Yeshua the Messiah.

Rom 1:7 To: All those in Rome whom God loves, who have been called, who have been set apart for him: Grace to you and shalom from God our Father and the Lord Yeshua the Messiah.

- 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.
- 1Co 1:11 For some of Chloe's people have made it known to me, my brothers, that there are guarrels among you.
- **1Th 1:1** From: Sha'ul, Sila and Timothy To: The Messianic Community of the Thessalonians, united with God the Father and the Lord Yeshua the Messiah: Grace to you and shalom.
- 1Th 1:2 We always thank God for all of you, regularly mentioning you in our prayers,
- 1Th 1:3 calling to mind before God our Father what our Lord Yeshua the Messiah has brought about in you how your trust produces action, your love hard work, and your hope perseverance.
- 1Th 1:4 We know, brothers, that God has loved and chosen you;
- 1Th 1:5 that the Good News we brought did not become for you a matter only of words, but also one of power, the Ruach HaKodesh and total conviction just as you know how we lived for your sakes when we were with you.
- 2Th 1:2 Grace to you and shalom from God the Father and the Lord Yeshua the Messiah.
- 2Th 1:3 We have to keep thanking God for you always, brothers, as is appropriate; because your trust continues to grow greater, and the love you each have for one another continues to increase.
- 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.
- Examples that his writings are influenced by Torah and address the conduct being demonstrated.
- Sha'ul's letters to Timothy, Titus and Philemon instruction to those who are leading congregations.
- Tit 3:1 Remind people to submit to the government and its officials, to obey them, to be ready to do any honorable kind of work,
- Tit 3:2 to slander no one, to avoid quarrelling, to be friendly, and to behave gently towards everyone.
- Tit 3:3 For at one time, we too were foolish and disobedient, deceived and enslaved by a variety of passions and pleasures. We spent our lives in evil and envy; people hated us, and we hated each other.
- Tit 3:4 But when the kindness and love for mankind of God our Deliverer was revealed,
- Tit 3:5 he delivered us. It was not on the ground of any righteous deeds we had done, but on the ground of his own mercy. He did it by means of the mikveh of rebirth and the renewal brought about by the Ruach HaKodesh,
- Tit 3:6 whom he poured out on us generously through Yeshua the Messiah, our Deliverer.
- Tit 3:7 He did it so that by his grace we might come to be considered righteous by God and become heirs, with the certain hope of eternal life.
- **Tit 3:8** You can trust what I have just said, and I want you to speak with confidence about these things, so that those who have put their trust in God may apply themselves to doing good deeds. These are both good in themselves and valuable to the community.
- Tit 3:9 But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, quarrels and fights about the Torah; because they are worthless and futile.

Tit 3:10 Warn a divisive person once, then a second time; and after that, have nothing more to do with him.

Tit 3:11 You may be sure that such a person has been perverted and is sinning: he stands self-condemned.

When Sha'ul wrote this to Timothy:

2Ti 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is valuable for teaching the truth, convicting of sin, correcting faults and training in right living;

2Ti 3:17 thus anyone who belongs to God may be fully equipped for every good work.

What was he referring to?

Hebrews I consider to be a very unique writing in that its primary audience was to Jewish believers just prior to the destruction of the second Temple, preparing them for life after the Temple, providing full knowledge that what was to be taken away was found in Yeshua.

Hebrews is a book that can also be used today to show believers just how intricately scripture is connected and is a continuous and progressive revelation...

James, Peter, John and Jude – Jewish letters, written to the Jewish community specifically, but profitable for all.

Jas 1:1 From: Ya`akov, a slave of God and of the Lord Yeshua the Messiah To: The Twelve Tribes in the Diaspora: Shalom!

1Pe 1:1 From: Kefa, an emissary of Yeshua the Messiah To: God's chosen people, living as aliens in the Diaspora — in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, the province of Asia, and Bythinia —

Revelation – brief overview.

Rev 1:1 This is the revelation which God gave to Yeshua the Messiah, so that he could show his servants what must happen very soon. He communicated it by sending his angel to his servant Yochanan,

Rev 1:2 who bore witness to the Word of God and to the testimony of Yeshua the Messiah, as much as he saw.

Rev 1:3 Blessed are the reader and hearers of the words of this prophecy, provided they obey the things written in it! For the time is near!

Common teaching used to substantiate a rapture based theology (church not mentioned after chapter 4)

Focus on who writings are addressed to...

Understanding the position of the church, not a new or separate entity, but a part of Israel.

Scripture is one large continuous tapestry:

- 1. A piece of thick textile fabric with pictures or designs formed by weaving colored weft threads or by embroidering on canvas, used as a wall hanging or furniture covering
- 2. Used in reference to an intricate or complex combination of things or sequence of events