

Notes: November 15, 2014

Start: 10 AM

Order of service:

1. Meet and Greet
2. Introduction (if new people)
3. Ma Tovv
4. Open in Prayer for service
5. Liturgy – Sh'ma +
6. Announcements
7. Praise and Worship Songs
8. Message
9. Aaronic Blessing
10. Kiddush
11. Oneg

Children's Blessing:

Transliteration: *Ye'simcha Elohim ke-Ephraim ve hee-Menashe*

English: *May God make you like Ephraim and Menashe*

Transliteration: *Ye'simech Elohim ke-Sarah, Rivka, Rachel ve-Leah.*

English: *May God make you like Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah.*

Introduction: Reality of Messiah

Over the last two weeks we have looked at:

- How people were able to identify Yeshua as Messiah

Mat 11:4 Yeshua answered, "Go and tell Yochanan what you are hearing and seeing —

Mat 11:5 the blind are seeing again, the lame are walking, people with tzara`at are being cleansed, the deaf are hearing, the dead are being raised, the Good News is being told to the poor —

Mat 11:6 and how blessed is anyone not offended by me!"

- Expectations regarding what would happen when Messiah would come.
 - The Rebuilding of the 3rd Temple
 - Ingathering of the Exiles of Israel
 - End of Evil and Sin
 - Awareness and Knowledge of Adonai
 - Universal Worship of Adonai
 - Resurrection of the Dead

Expectations don't always align with reality, but are subjective, based on one's own interpretation and understanding of scripture.

Three Rabbi's – Four answers

When we look at two very prominent scriptures that convey the coming of Messiah and how they were understood and taught, we can now understand why some did not accept Yeshua as Messiah:

Daniel 7:13:

Dan 7:13 "I kept watching the night visions, when I saw, coming with the clouds of heaven, someone like a son of man. He approached the Ancient One and was led into his presence.

Zechariah 9:9:

Zec 9:9 Rejoice with all your heart, daughter of Tziyon! Shout out loud, daughter of Yerushalayim! Look! Your king is coming to you. He is righteous, and he is victorious. Yet he is humble — he's riding on a donkey, yes, on a lowly donkey's colt.

The Talmud contains an interesting homily based on [Zec 9:9](#), but it obscures the difference between his first and second comings.

"Rabbi Alexandri said, 'Rabbi Y'hoshua set two verses against each other: It is written, "And behold, one like the son of man came with the clouds of heaven" ([Dan 7:13](#)), while elsewhere it is written, "See, your king comes unto you,... humbly riding on a donkey" ([Zec 9:9](#)). [He resolved the paradox by saying that] if they deserve it [he will come] with the clouds of heaven, but if not, lowly and riding on an ass.'" (Sanhedrin 98a)

The 11th century Principles of Faith of the Jewish People laid out by Maimonides includes the 12th Principle:

I believe with perfect faith in the coming of the [Messiah](#); and even though he may tarry, nonetheless, I wait every day for his coming.

So, of the expectations regarding Messiah, What did Yeshua do

The Rebuilding of the Temple:

Today, there is an expectation of the rebuilding of the Temple for a third time. Yet while the Temple was still standing, Yeshua was speaking prophetically, yet His words were taken literally

Joh 2:15 He made a whip from cords and drove them all out of the Temple grounds, the sheep and cattle as well. He knocked over the money-changers' tables, scattering their coins;

Joh 2:16 and to the pigeon-sellers he said, "Get these things out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market?"

Joh 2:17 (His talmidim later recalled that the Tanakh says, "Zeal for your house will devour me.")

Joh 2:18 So the Judeans confronted him by asking him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove you have the right to do all this?"

Joh 2:19 Yeshua answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up again."

Joh 2:20 The Judeans said, "It took 46 years to build this Temple, and you're going to raise it in three days?"

Joh 2:21 But the "temple" he had spoken of was his body.

Joh 2:22 Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his talmidim remembered that he had said this, and they trusted in the Tanakh and in what Yeshua had said.

When we understand the purpose of the Temple, we can better understand Yeshua's words. Yeshua was addressing what was transpiring at the Temple. Its focus was off course and those who were responsible for its focus were way off course. It would be through Yeshua's death and resurrection that He would rebuild the Temple, not its physical form, but its spiritual form. Its intent, where people come to worship the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Ingathering of the Exiles of Israel:

We see many return for the feasts, such as Acts 2:

Act 2:5 Now there were staying in Yerushalayim religious Jews from every nation under heaven.

Act 2:8 How is it that we hear them speaking in our native languages?

Act 2:9 We are Parthians, Medes, Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Y'hudah, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia,

Act 2:10 Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome;

Act 2:11 Jews by birth and proselytes; Jews from Crete and from Arabia. . . ! How is it that we hear them speaking in our own languages about the great things God has done?"

Here, you are seeing a glimpse of the dynamic of what the ingathering of Israel will look like.

As I mentioned last week, we are in the midst of it today – Jews making Alyiah from Russia, Africa, Europe, The Americas...

Awareness and Knowledge of Adonai:

Adonai was increasing awareness through Yeshua:

He instructed them before His death through:

- parables
- miracles
- sermons

And would connect all dots after His resurrection:

Luk 24:44 Yeshua said to them, "This is what I meant when I was still with you and told you that everything written about me in the Torah of Moshe, the Prophets and the Psalms had to be fulfilled."

Luk 24:45 Then he opened their minds, so that they could understand the Tanakh,

Luk 24:46 telling them, "Here is what it says: the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day;

Luk 24:47 and in his name repentance leading to forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed to people from all nations, starting with Yerushalayim.

Luk 24:48 You are witnesses of these things.

Luk 24:49 Now I am sending forth upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been equipped with power from above."

You are my witnesses:

Mat 28:17 When they saw him, they prostrated themselves before him; but some hesitated.

Mat 28:18 Yeshua came and talked with them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

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."

Universal Worship of Adonai:

The Woman at the well – Samaritan

Joh 4:19 "Sir, I can see that you are a prophet," the woman replied.

Joh 4:20 "Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you people say that the place where one has to worship is in Yerushalayim."

Joh 4:21 Yeshua said, "Lady, believe me, the time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Yerushalayim.

Joh 4:22 You people don't know what you are worshipping; we worship what we do know, because salvation comes from the Jews.

Joh 4:23 But the time is coming — indeed, it's here now — when the true worshippers will worship the Father spiritually and truly, for these are the kind of people the Father wants worshipping him.

We see a glimpse of this promise, when Yeshua is talking to the woman regarding the current relationship with the divided kingdom. He will be the one who reunites the Kingdom.

He makes reference to others, speaking of the goyim, the nations.

Joh 10:14 I am the good shepherd; I know my own, and my own know me —

Joh 10:15 just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father — and I lay down my life on behalf of the sheep.

Joh 10:16 Also I have other sheep which are not from this pen; I need to bring them, and they will hear my voice; and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

There are plans for universal worship and hints of universal worship, yet we have not reached universal worship.

We see the fullness of Universal Worship in Zechariah

Zec 14:16 Finally, everyone remaining from all the nations that came to attack Yerushalayim will go up every year to worship the king, Adonai-Tzva'ot, and to keep the festival of Sukkot.

Zec 14:17 If any of the families of the earth does not go up to Yerushalayim to worship the king, Adonai-Tzva'ot, no rain will fall on them.

Resurrection of the Dead:

In addition to Yeshua's resurrection, there were others who came forth.

Mat 27:51 At that moment the parokhet in the Temple was ripped in two from top to bottom; and there was an earthquake, with rocks splitting apart.

Mat 27:52 Also the graves were opened, and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life;

Mat 27:53 and after Yeshua rose, they came out of the graves and went into the holy city, where many people saw them.

End of Evil and Sin:

Isa 53:11 After this ordeal, he will see satisfaction. "By his knowing [*pain and sacrifice*], my righteous servant makes many righteous; it is for their sins that he suffers.

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will assign him a share with the great, he will divide the spoil with the mighty, for having exposed himself to death and being counted among the sinners, while actually bearing the sin of many and interceding for the offenders."

Jer 31:31 (31:30) "Here, the days are coming," says Adonai, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'hudah.

Jer 31:32 (31:31) It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part, violated my covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Adonai.

Jer 31:33 (31:32) "For this is the covenant I will make with the house of Isra'el after those days," says Adonai: "I will put my Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their God, and they will be my people.

Jer 31:34 (31:33) No longer will any of them teach his fellow community member or his brother, 'Know Adonai'; for all will know me, from the least of them to the greatest; because I will forgive their wickednesses and remember their sins no more."

Heb 9:27 Just as human beings have to die once, but after this comes judgment,

Heb 9:28 so also the Messiah, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to deliver those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The writer of Hebrews conveys what I would construe as the clearest statement in the Bible in relation to Yeshua's first and second comings. His first coming fulfilled the prophecy of Isa. 52:13-Isa. 53:12, which predicted that the Messiah would die as an atonement for human sin and be raised from the dead, so that he could **appear a second time** to fulfill such prophecies as

Isa 2:2 In the acharit-hayamim the mountain of Adonai's house will be established as the most important mountain. It will be regarded more highly than the other hills, and all the Goyim will stream there.

Isa 2:3 Many peoples will go and say, "Come, let's go up to the mountain of Adonai, to the house of the God of Ya`akov! He will teach us about his ways, and we will walk in his paths." For out of Tziyon will go forth Torah, the word of Adonai from Yerushalayim.

Isa 9:6 (9:5) For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; dominion will rest on his shoulders, and he will be given the name Pele-Yo`etz El Gibbor Avi-`Ad Sar-Shalom [*Wonder of a Counselor, Mighty God, Father of Eternity, Prince of Peace*],

Isa 9:7 (9:6) in order to extend the dominion and perpetuate the peace of the throne and kingdom of David, to secure it and sustain it through justice and righteousness henceforth and forever. The zeal of Adonai-Tzva'ot will accomplish this.

Which say that the Messiah will bring peace to the world and deliver his people Israel from oppression.

Hopefully what you have noticed is that His first coming dealt with sin, but was also a time of preparation.

Preparation for the people who would move the message of Messiah forward
The planting of seeds that believers would help to cultivate

These accounts were all glimpses into the future – a sample to show us what is to come.

In some instances, a first fruits offering so to speak.

The aspect of evil would be dealt with upon His return.

So when we go back to our two scriptures – Daniel 7:13 and Zechariah 9:9 we now have better clarity regarding this account from Matthew 21:

Mat 21:1 As they were approaching Yerushalayim, they came to Beit-Pagei on the Mount of Olives. Yeshua sent two talmidim

Mat 21:2 with these instructions: "Go into the village ahead of you, and you will immediately find a donkey tethered there with its colt. Untie them and bring them to me.

Mat 21:3 If anyone says anything to you, tell him, 'The Lord needs them'; and he will let them go at once."

Mat 21:4 This happened in order to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet,

Mat 21:5 "Say to the daughter of Tziyon, 'Look! Your King is coming to you, riding humbly on a donkey, and on a colt, the offspring of a beast of burden!'

Mat 21:6 So the talmidim went and did as Yeshua had directed them.

Mat 21:7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put their robes on them, and Yeshua sat on them.

Mat 21:8 Crowds of people carpeted the road with their clothing, while others cut branches from trees and spread them on the road.

Mat 21:9 The crowds ahead of him and behind shouted, "Please! Deliver us!" [*Greek Ôsanna (English "Hosanna") transliterates Hebrew Hoshana, which means "Please! Save [us]!"*] to the Son of David; "Blessed is he who comes in the name of Adonai!" "You in the highest heaven! Please! Deliver us!"

Mat 21:10 When he entered Yerushalayim, the whole city was stirred. "Who is this?" they asked.

Mat 21:11 And the crowds answered, "This is Yeshua, the prophet from Natzeret in the Galil."

Mat 21:12 Yeshua entered the Temple grounds and drove out those who were doing business there, both the merchants and their customers. He upset the desks of the money-changers and knocked over the benches of those who were selling pigeons.

Mat 21:13 He said to them, "It has been written, 'My house will be called a house of prayer.' But you are making it into a den of robbers!"

Mat 21:14 Blind and lame people came up to him in the Temple, and he healed them.

Deu 30:3 At that point, Adonai your God will reverse your exile and show you mercy; he will return and gather you from all the peoples to which Adonai your God scattered you.

Deu 30:4 If one of yours was scattered to the far end of the sky, Adonai your God will gather you even from there; he will go there and get you.

Deu 30:5 Adonai your God will bring you back into the land your ancestors possessed, and you will possess it; he will make you prosper there, and you will become even more numerous than your ancestors.

Deu 30:6 Then Adonai your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your children, so that you will love Adonai your God with all your heart and all your being, and thus you will live.