

Notes: September 14 2013

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
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Introduction: Yom Kippur

The Holiest day on the calendar for the Jewish people.

It was at this time that the High Priest would perform the sacrifice for the nation, making atonement through the sacrifices required by Adonai for the entire nation:

Lev 16:5 "He is to take from the community of the people of Isra'el two male goats for a sin offering and one ram for a burnt offering.

Lev 16:6 Aharon is to present the bull for the sin offering which is for himself and make atonement for himself and his household.

Lev 16:11 "Aharon is to present the bull of the sin offering for himself; he will make atonement for himself and his household; he is to slaughter the bull of the sin offering which is for himself.

Lev 16:15 "Next, he is to slaughter the goat of the sin offering which is for the people, bring its blood inside the curtain and do with its blood as he did with the bull's blood, sprinkling it on the ark-cover and in front of the ark-cover.

Lev 16:16 He will make atonement for the Holy Place because of the uncleannesses of the people of Isra'el and because of their transgressions – all their sins; and he is to do the same for the tent of meeting which is there with them right in the middle of their uncleannesses.

Through these scriptures we are provided a snapshot of what this day is about.

Today there is no Temple or animals sacrifices.

Without a Temple and the sacrifice of animals for atonement, where does Yom Kippur fit? Is it still relevant in Adonai's plan?

Why is Jonah read on Yom Kippur?

Why is Nineveh associated with Yom Kippur?

Jon 1:1 The word of Adonai came to Yonah the son of Amitai:

Jon 1:2 "Set out for the great city of Ninveh, and proclaim to it that their wickedness has come to my attention."

Jon 3:1 The word of Adonai came to Yonah a second time:

Jon 3:2 "Set out for the great city of Ninveh, and proclaim to it the message I will give you."

Jon 3:3 So Yonah set out and went to Ninveh, as Adonai had said. Now Ninveh was such a large city that it took three days just to cross it.

Jon 3:4 Yonah began his entry into the city and had finished only his first day of proclaiming, 'In forty days Ninveh will be overthrown,'

Jon 3:5 when the people of Ninveh believed God. They proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least.

Jon 3:6 When the news reached the king of Ninveh, he got up from his throne, took off his robe, put on sackcloth and sat in ashes.

Jon 3:7 He then had this proclamation made throughout Ninveh: "By decree of the king and his nobles, no person or animal, herd or flock, is to put anything in his mouth; they are neither to eat nor drink water.

Jon 3:8 They must be covered with sackcloth, both people and animals; and they are to cry out to God with all their might — let each of them turn from his evil way and from the violence they practice.

Jon 3:9 Who knows? Maybe God will change his mind, relent and turn from his fierce anger; and then we won't perish."

Jon 3:10 When God saw by their deeds that they had turned from their evil way, he relented and did not bring on them the punishment he had threatened.

It wasn't the fasting that brought forgiveness.

Judgment was averted this time through a nations repentance.

Where was Ninveh's blood sacrifice for atonement?

Lev 17:11 For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for yourselves; for it is the blood that makes atonement because of the life.'

All animals have blood, not just Israel's animals.

It is an eternal stipulation.

Only Israel received the altar of Adonai in order to do this. The tabernacle was a replica of what already existed in heaven:

By this arrangement = the existing covenant and system.

Heb 9:8 By this arrangement, the Ruach HaKodesh showed that so long as the first Tent had standing, the way into the Holiest Place was still closed.

Heb 9:9 This symbolizes the present age and indicates that the conscience of the person performing the service cannot be brought to the goal by the gifts and sacrifices he offers.

Heb 9:10 For they involve only food and drink and various ceremonial washings — regulations concerning the outward life, imposed until the time for God to reshape the whole structure.

Through this current covenant:

We see that on Sukkot, there are 70 bull sacrifices performed during the 7 days, while there is a lone bull sacrifice performed on the 8th day.

It is my belief, that a sacrifice was made for Ninveh during Sukkot.

All that was missing was repentance.

As a believer I was challenged early to understand where Yom Kippur fit in the plan of Adonai.

It is a separate day with a specific purpose.

Yet, it is during Passover and Yeshua's sacrifice, laying down His life that atonement was made for our transgressions.

If it was done on Passover, what about Yom Kippur? It is the Day of Atonement!

This was something that took time to reconcile.

I first realized that Yom Kippur is Israel's Day of Atonement...it is for the nation.

Now I had another dilemma – if Yom Kippur is Israel's Day of Atonement, then what about the rest of the world...?

In looking at Ninveh, we saw that they repented and received forgiveness, that judgment was averted. I asked and answered earlier, where was there sacrifice.

Now the question is – In relation to Yeshua where is the sacrifice for Israel and how does Yom Kippur fit into Adonai's master plan?

Where is the sacrifice?

Heb 9:24 For the Messiah has entered a Holiest Place which is not man-made and merely a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, in order to appear now on our behalf in the very presence of God.

Heb 9:25 Further, he did not enter heaven to offer himself over and over again, like the cohen hagadol who enters the Holiest Place year after year with blood that is not his own;

Heb 9:26 for then he would have had to suffer death many times — from the founding of the universe on. But as it is, he has appeared once at the end of the ages in order to do away with sin through the sacrifice of himself.

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 power that is the sacrifice of Messiah goes beyond what was required in the previous covenant.

The previous covenant given to Moshe was still established through blood, but that of animals. The writer of Hebrews tells us...

Heb 9:19 After Moshe had proclaimed every command of the Torah to all the people, he took the blood of the calves with some water and used scarlet wool and hyssop to sprinkle both the scroll itself and all the people;

Heb 9:20 and he said, "This is the blood of the covenant which God has ordained for you."

This New Covenant made through the blood of Messiah offered greater promises that included one sacrifice for many.

Heb 9:11 But when the Messiah appeared as cohen gadol of the good things that are happening already, then, through the greater and more perfect Tent which is not man-made (that is, it is not of this created world),

Heb 9:12 he entered the Holiest Place once and for all. And he entered not by means of the blood of goats and calves, but by means of his own blood, thus setting people free forever.

What does this mean?

The sacrifice has been made, the blood has been brought to the altar of Adonai and accepted.

As with Ninveh, all that is required now is T'shuvah.

That will happen for Israel on this day, when Messiah returns and their eyes are open to the King of Israel.

They will repent and be atoned.

As believers in Messiah, we have already received what he has done. What is your role in all this?

You are keeping the light on, the fire burning for when they, meaning the Jewish nation, do return home and are received back.

Not to replace you, but to be Echad with you. To be one. A commonwealth of people, under the Kingship of Messiah.

Rom 11:19 So you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in."

Rom 11:20 True, but so what? They were broken off because of their lack of trust. However, you keep your place only because of your trust. So don't be arrogant; on the contrary, be terrified!

Rom 11:21 For if God did not spare the natural branches, he certainly won't spare you!

Rom 11:22 So take a good look at God's kindness and his severity: on the one hand, severity toward those who fell off; but, on the other hand, God's kindness toward you — provided you maintain yourself in that kindness! Otherwise, you too will be cut off!

Rom 11:23 Moreover, the others, if they do not persist in their lack of trust, will be grafted in; because God is able to graft them back in.

Rom 11:24 For if you were cut out of what is by nature a wild olive tree and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these natural branches be grafted back into their own olive tree!

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."

As is done on Yom Kippur, making atonement for the nation, the nation will receive what has already been done.

They will accept the atonement made through Yeshua.

Now the burning question...with everything that I have said, have you accepted what has already been done?

As with Ninveh, there was a sacrifice made on their behalf and all they had to do was turn from what Adonai calls "their evil ways"...the ways of man, the ways of the world that are contrary to the ways of Adonai.

...and to turn to Him.

We have this in Yeshua and the covenant made through His blood. An upgrade of upgrades to the previous covenants. This is the final upgrade. Nothing more can be done to improve upon what has been done.

This is not the end of a journey but the beginning. From here if you choose to remain here, you will be instructed in His ways with the purpose of growing in this lifestyle, strengthening your faith as a believer so that you can not only live in such a manner but be able to convey this to anyone, defending what you believe.

Lev 17:10 When someone from the community of Isra'el or one of the foreigners living with you eats any kind of blood, I will set myself against that person who eats blood and cut him off from his people.

Lev 17:11 For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for yourselves; for it is the blood that makes atonement because of the life.'

Lev 17:12 This is why I told the people of Isra'el, 'None of you is to eat blood, nor is any foreigner living with you to eat blood.'

Lev 17:13 "When someone from the community of Isra'el or one of the foreigners living with you hunts and catches game, whether animal or bird that may be eaten, he is to pour out its blood and cover it with earth.

Lev 17:14 For the life of every creature — its blood is its life. Therefore I said to the people of Isra'el, 'You are not to eat the blood of any creature, because the life of every creature is its blood. Whoever eats it will be cut off.'