

Notes: September 18 2021

Start: 10 AM

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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: Life, Anticipation and Torah

Even before I had begun preparing for this sermon, I was considering the title and two words to choose from...Expectation and Anticipation. When looking at the definitions for both, they are rather similar.

Expectation - a strong belief that something will happen or be the case in the future.

Anticipation - the action of anticipating something; expectation or prediction.

Hence expectation was infused within Anticipation. Then my decision became clear when this came to mind...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0IobpIKshr8>

The concept of expectation leading to anticipation increasing as one waits is seen throughout the Word of God.

Time, a creation of Adonai that we live in, in order for Him to deal with the Adversary creates expectation leading to anticipation for time does not exist in Eternity, thus neither does expectation leading to anticipation. A glimpse of eternity revealed by Adonai to Yochanan conveys...

Rev 21:3 I heard a loud voice from the throne say, "See! God's Sh'khinah is with mankind, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and he himself, God-with-them, will be their God.

Rev 21:4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will no longer be any death; and there will no longer be any mourning, crying or pain; because the old order has passed away."

Rev 21:5 Then the One sitting on the throne said, "Look! I am making everything new!" Also he said, "Write,

'These words are true and trustworthy!' "

First, our expectation and thus anticipation of residing with Adonai has been satisfied for we will reside with the Glory of God, that is His Sh'khinah will be with us. The longing, the expectation, the anticipation of Messiah returning is no longer a hope of the future for He has come as He promised.

We have seen throughout Scripture an expectation by the people of Adonai of His move, His presence, His action leading to our anticipation, that is the fulfillment of our expectation coming to fruition. It is not based on our desire, our expectation that Adonai does, but simply put, it is based on His Word that He does what He says He is going to do...

Num 23:19 "God is not a human who lies or a mortal who changes his mind. When he says something, he will do it; when he makes a promise, he will fulfill it.

So, we have His Word, for I shared with you not too long ago in a sermon entitled "Life, Promise and Torah" the word d'var, meaning both "word" and "promise" implying that one's word is their promise. This aspect applies equally, if not more so to Adonai in that once He says something, He cannot take it back for if He does then He would be a liar and as such the entire structure that is based on His Word would fall apart.

For in this week's Parshah, is one chapter and it is the second Song of Moshe where by Adonai conveys through Moshe...

Deu 32:1 "Hear, oh heavens, as I speak! Listen, earth, to the words from my mouth!

Deu 32:2 May my teaching fall like rain. May my speech condense like dew, like light rain on blades of grass, or showers on growing plants.

Deu 32:3 "For I will proclaim the name of Adonai. Come, declare the greatness of our God!

Deu 32:4 The Rock! His work is perfect, for all his ways are just. A trustworthy God who does no wrong, he is righteous and straight.

Adonai is calling upon all that He has created to be His witness to all that is about to transpire. The greatness of Adonai will be seen for in His greatness, we will see that He is trustworthy, He does that which is right, not from a human perspective but from the Author of Life's perspective. For it is the author who establishes the narrative. He is setting the standard by which our expectation and thus our anticipation is to be based.

Our own expectations can miss the mark. When we infuse our own understanding and not rely on Adonai's Wisdom, we can create unrealistic expectations. Though not realized and thus still fueled by the possibility these expectations are what we would consider to be false expectation. Yes, there is such a thing as false expectations whereby our mind creates its own expectation, fueling our anticipation, yet is not further substantiated by Adonai's Word.

The most prominent of these false expectations is the Rapture for which I spent five Tuesday evenings going through the Scriptures used to substantiate such a premise.

http://www.shalommaine.com/ask_the_rabbi.htm

The conflation that is the merging of the Rapture and the Return of Yeshua that is the Resurrection spoken of by Yeshua has created a false premise that we will be removed from the earth in the midst of Adonai's judgments upon the earth for Sha'ul has conveyed...

1Th 5:8 But since we belong to the day, let us stay sober, putting on trust and love as a breastplate and the

hope of being delivered as a helmet.

1Th 5:9 For God has not intended that we should experience his fury, but that we should gain deliverance through our Lord Yeshua the Messiah,

1Th 5:10 who died on our behalf so that whether we are alive or dead, we may live along with him.

1Th 5:11 Therefore, encourage each other, and build each other up—just as you are doing.

For in the verses just prior, one of the passages used to support the premise of the Rapture occurs. 1 Thessalonians 4:13 – 18 and these primary verses.

1Th 4:15 When we say this, we base it on the Lord's own word: we who remain alive when the Lord comes will certainly not take precedence over those who have died.

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a rousing cry, with a call from one of the ruling angels, and with God's shofar; those who died united with the Messiah will be the first to rise;

1Th 4:17 then we who are left still alive will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and thus we will always be with the Lord.

For these verses talk of Yeshua's return and our transformation upon His return. Yet the expectation is that we will be taken away, kept safe and not have to experience any of what is identified as “Great Tribulation”

That is the hope, the anticipation, yet unfortunately a false expectation.

For such an expectation does not speak of faith, but actually speaks more towards the lack of one's faith. We have such an example to glean from when we talk about such a dynamic. For we read of Moshe's first Song...

Exo 15:1 Then Moshe and the people of Isra'el sang this song to Adonai: "I will sing to Adonai, for he is highly exalted: the horse and its rider he threw in the sea.

Exo 15:2 Yah is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. This is my God: I will glorify him; my father's God: I will exalt him.

Exo 15:3 Adonai is a warrior; Adonai is his name.

Exo 15:4 Pharaoh's chariots and his army he hurled into the sea. His elite commanders were drowned in the Sea of Suf.

Adonai not only protected His Nation, His people in the midst of His wrath being poured out upon Egypt for which the nation was in the midst of, He also protected them upon Egypt's pursuit of them.

For Adonai had revealed to Moshe in his second Song that it is not He who is the issue, but His people, His creation...

Deu 32:5 "He is not corrupt; the defect is in his children, a crooked and perverted generation.

Deu 32:6 You foolish people, so lacking in wisdom, is this how you repay Adonai? He is your father, who made you his! It was he who formed and prepared you!

Thus where is the faith of those who are shepherding Yeshua's flock? Conveying false messages of hope, leading to false expectations, thus causing his flock to actually become weaker in their faith rather than stronger.

“Don't tell me what I want to hear, tell me what I need to hear.”

There is plenty “tickling of the ears” going on in the Body of Messiah as we speak.

Sha'ul conveys this inspired stark warning to Timothy, nearly 2,000 years ago. For the wisdom of Adonai is at hand in this warning for it is relevant even today...

2Ti 4:1 I solemnly charge you before God and the Messiah Yeshua, who will judge the living and the dead when he appears and establishes his Kingdom:

2Ti 4:2 proclaim the Word! Be on hand with it whether the time seems right or not. Convict, censure and exhort with unfailing patience and with teaching.

2Ti 4:3 For the time is coming when people will not have patience for sound teaching, but will cater to their passions and gather around themselves teachers who say whatever their ears itch to hear.

2Ti 4:4 Yes, they will stop listening to the truth, but will turn aside to follow myths.

Myth is defined as - *A traditional, typically ancient story dealing with supernatural beings, ancestors, or heroes that serves as a fundamental type in the worldview of a people, as by explaining aspects of the natural world or delineating the psychology, customs, or ideals of society.*

Is the Rapture not the worldview for many in the church today?

Yet, our expectation and thus anticipation should be formed by fully understanding what Adonai is Saying, in His context, not ours. For we are warned and yet inspired...

Pro 3:1 My son, don't forget my teaching, keep my commands in your heart;

Pro 3:2 for they will add to you many days, years of life and peace.

Pro 3:3 Do not let grace and truth leave you—bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.

Pro 3:4 Then you will win favor and esteem in the sight of God and of people.

Pro 3:5 Trust in Adonai with all your heart; do not rely on your own understanding.

Pro 3:6 In all your ways acknowledge him; then he will level your paths.

For in today's Parshah Ha'azinu we are now at the end of Isra'el's wilderness journey and thus the expectation of this generation that grew up in the wilderness is being prepared by Adonai to enter the land as Adonai had promised first to Avram...

Gen 15:13 Adonai said to Avram, "Know this for certain: your descendants will be foreigners in a land that is not theirs. They will be slaves and held in oppression there four hundred years.

Gen 15:14 But I will also judge that nation, the one that makes them slaves. Afterwards, they will leave with many possessions.

Gen 15:15 As for you, you will join your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age.

Gen 15:16 Only in the fourth generation will your descendants come back here, because only then will the Emori be ripe for punishment."

Further substantiated to Avram's descendants...

Gen 17:6 I will cause you to be very fruitful. I will make nations of you, kings will descend from you.

Gen 17:7 "I am establishing my covenant between me and you, along with your descendants after you, generation after generation, as an everlasting covenant, to be God for you and for your descendants after you.

Gen 17:8 I will give you and your descendants after you the land in which you are now foreigners, all the land

of Kena'an, as a permanent possession; and I will be their God."

Thus after four hundred years, the anticipation, the expectation of this promise would come to rest upon Moshe and this generation.

Num 13:2 "Send men on your behalf to reconnoiter the land of Kena'an, which I am giving to the people of Isra'el. From each ancestral tribe send someone who is a leader in his tribe."

We know the account of what would ultimately transpire. The people ultimately did not trust Adonai, created their own understanding and thus rejected what He had given them. Now we are forty years later and a generation who did not transgress against Adonai's promise are being prepared by Moshe to take possession of the land.

Forty years of anticipation for Adonai did indeed convey how long the nation would reside in the wilderness,

Num 14:32 But you, your carcasses will fall in this desert;

Num 14:33 and your children will wander about in the desert for forty years bearing the consequences of your prostitutions until the desert eats up your carcasses.

Num 14:34 It will be a year for every day you spent reconnoitering the land that you will bear the consequences of your offenses—forty days, forty years. Then you will know what it means to oppose me!

Num 14:35 I, Adonai, have spoken.' I will certainly do this to this whole evil community who have assembled together against me—they will be destroyed in this desert and die there."

thus would not one anticipate the end of this journey?

Adonai did not terminate His Covenant, but established a means of correction for a people that is generationally bound to Adonai as He is bound to them. As this anticipation is becoming a reality, not only for the people, but for Adonai as well, it is He who desires His people to be fully immersed in His promises and thus, through this Song of Moshe is preparing them.

Preparation should contain at least two aspects...encouragement and warning. Encouragement in that the aspiration should be intended to strengthen the resolve of the hearer, while the warning should establish a hardy dose of reality. In this case, you have come into the land, however be careful for you need to remember the conditions for staying.

Deu 32:7 "Remember how the old days were; think of the years through all the ages. Ask your father—he will tell you; your leaders too—they will inform you.

Deu 32:8 "When `Elyon gave each nation its heritage, when he divided the human race, he assigned the boundaries of peoples according to Isra'el's population;

Deu 32:9 but Adonai's share was his own people, Ya`akov his allotted heritage.

Deu 32:10 "He found his people in desert country, in a howling, wasted wilderness. He protected him and cared for him, guarded him like the pupil of his eye,

Deu 32:11 like an eagle that stirs up her nest, hovers over her young, spreads out her wings, takes them and carries them as she flies.

Deu 32:12 "Adonai alone led his people; no alien god was with him.

Deu 32:13 He made them ride on the heights of the earth. They ate the produce of the fields. He had them suck honey from the rocks and olive oil from the crags,

Deu 32:14 curds from the cows and milk from the sheep, with lamb fat, rams from Bashan and goats, with the

finest wheat flour; and you drank sparkling wine from the blood of grapes.

Deu 32:15 "But Yeshurun grew fat and kicked (you grew fat, thick, gross!). He abandoned God his Maker; he scorned the Rock, his salvation.

Deu 32:16 They roused him to jealousy with alien gods, provoked him with abominations.

Deu 32:17 They sacrificed to demons, non-gods, gods that they had never known, new gods that had come up lately, which your ancestors had not feared.

Deu 32:18 You ignored the Rock who fathered you, you forgot God, who gave you birth.

Deu 32:19 "Adonai saw and was filled with scorn at his sons' and daughters' provocation.

Deu 32:20 He said, 'I will hide my face from them and see what will become of them; for they are a perverse generation, untrustworthy children.

Deu 32:21 They aroused my jealousy with a non-god and provoked me with their vanities; I will arouse their jealousy with a non-people and provoke them with a vile nation.

Deu 32:22 " 'For my anger has been fired up. It burns to the depths of Sh'ol, devouring the earth and its crops, kindling the very roots of the hills.

Deu 32:23 I will heap disasters on them and use up all my arrows against them.

Deu 32:24 " 'Fatigued by hunger, they will be consumed by fever and bitter defeat; I will send them the fangs of wild beasts, and the poison of reptiles crawling in the dust.

Deu 32:25 Outside, the sword makes parents childless; inside, there is panic, as young men and girls alike are slain, sucklings and graybeards together.

Deu 32:26 " 'I considered putting an end to them, erasing their memory from the human race;

Deu 32:27 but I feared the insolence of their enemy, feared that their foes would mistakenly think, "We ourselves accomplished this; Adonai had nothing to do with it."

Deu 32:28 " 'They are a nation without common sense, utterly lacking in discernment.

Deu 32:29 If they were wise they could figure it out and understand their destiny.

Deu 32:30 After all, how can one chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to rout, unless their Rock sells them to their enemies, unless Adonai hands them over?

Deu 32:31 For our enemies have no rock like our Rock—even they can see that!

Deu 32:32 " 'Rather, their vine is from the vine of S'dom, from the fields of `Amora—their grapes are poisonous, their clusters are bitter;

Deu 32:33 their wine is snake poison, the cruel venom of vipers.

Deu 32:34 " 'Isn't this hidden with me, sealed in my storehouses?

Deu 32:35 Vengeance and payback are mine for the time when their foot slips; for the day of their calamity is coming soon, their doom is rushing upon them.'

Deu 32:36 "Yes, Adonai will judge his people, taking pity on his servants, when he sees that their strength is gone, that no one is left, slave or free.

Deu 32:37 Then he will ask, 'Where are their gods, the rock in whom they trusted?

Deu 32:38 Who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let him get up and help you, let him protect you!

Deu 32:39 See now that I, yes, I, am he; and there is no god beside me. I put to death, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal; no one saves anyone from my hand!

Deu 32:40 " 'For I lift up my hand to heaven and swear, "As surely as I am alive forever,

Deu 32:41 if I sharpen my flashing sword and set my hand to judgment, I will render vengeance to my foes, repay those who hate me.

Deu 32:42 I will make my arrows drunk with blood, my sword will devour flesh—the blood of the slain and the captives, flesh from the wild-haired heads of the enemy." ' "

Deu 32:43 "Sing out, you nations, about his people! For he will avenge the blood of his servants. He will render vengeance to his adversaries and make atonement for the land of his people."

Deu 32:44 Moshe came and proclaimed all the words of this song in the hearing of the people and of Hoshea the son of Nun.

Deu 32:45 When he had finished speaking all these words to all Isra'el,

Deu 32:46 he said to them, "Take to heart all the words of my testimony against you today, so that you can use them in charging your children to be careful to obey all the words of this Torah.

Deu 32:47 For this is not a trivial matter for you; on the contrary, it is your life! Through it you will live long in the land you are crossing the Yarden to possess."

This is your life. Do not take the warnings of Adonai lightly. For Adonai and Yeshua are one, therefore don't take Yeshua's warnings lightly either.

His sermons are equally as impactful as this Song of Moshe spoken to a generation getting ready to realize the expectation of entering the land.

at 25:31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, accompanied by all the angels, he will sit on his glorious throne.

Mat 25:32 All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates sheep from goats.

Mat 25:33 The 'sheep' he will place at his right hand and the 'goats' at his left.

Mat 25:34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take your inheritance, the Kingdom prepared for you from the founding of the world.

The land has been prepared for you...

Is this really any different from Moshe preparing the people to enter the land. For Yeshua is preparing the people to enter into a promise. Thus the principles established by Adonai and spoken by Moshe can be understood in their proper context, yet also embraced through an aspect of understanding for Yeshua is doing that which Moshe did, preparing a people.

Thus, this is but one sermon addressing the many aspects of expectation, leading to the anticipation of Adonai's promises becoming realized. For Torah has established within it promises awaiting those who trust in Adonai. It is through this trust that your anticipated expectations will become realized.