Notes: October 27, 2012

Start: 10 AM

Order of service:

1. Meet and Greet

- 2. Introduction (if new people)
- 3. Ma Tovu
- 4. Open in Prayer for service
- 5. Announcements
- 6. Jeri Drash
- 7. Liturgy Sh'ma +
- 8. Praise and Worship Songs
- 9. Dismiss Children
- 10. Message
- 11. Kaddash Time of Prayer
- 12. Aaronic Blessing
- 13. Kiddush
- 14. 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: You've Always Got Time for T'shuvah

Meaning you can make time for coming to T'shuvah – repentance.

Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any wild animal which Adonai, God, had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You are not to eat from any tree in the garden'?"

How much emphasis and authority do we place on what Adonai says?

Do we take Him at what He says?

Do we trust what He says?

Do we live our lives according to what He says?

Do we know what He says...Marriage amendment advertising

New format – nursery, Shabbat class for kids Oneg sign up

Visitor cards – fold and put in Tzadakah box

Some people say that when one is separated from Adonai – an unbeliever, "a sinner" that Adonai does not speak to that person. It is only when they have repented that Adonai begins speaking.

I do not agree with this view because it is Adonai who offers Himself first. We then have the choice to make...

• Adonai revealing Himself to you...

Mat 16:13 When Yeshua came into the territory around Caesarea Philippi, he asked his talmidim, "Who are people saying the Son of Man is?"

Mat 16:14 They said, "Well, some say Yochanan the Immerser, others Eliyahu, still others Yirmeyahu or one of the prophets."

Mat 16:15 "But you," he said to them, "who do you say I am?"

Mat 16:16 Shim`on Kefa answered, "You are the Mashiach, the Son of the living God."

Mat 16:17 "Shim`on Bar-Yochanan," Yeshua said to him, "how blessed you are! For no human being revealed this to you, no, it was my Father in heaven.

Adonai first speaks to Avraham...

Gen 12:1 Now Adonai said to Avram, "Get yourself out of your country, away from your kinsmen and away from your father's house, and go to the land that I will show you.

Gen 12:2 I will make of you a great nation, I will bless you, and I will make your name great; and you are to be a blessing.

Gen 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, but I will curse anyone who curses you; and by you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

Gen 12:4 So Avram went, as Adonai had said to him, and Lot went with him. Avram was 75 years old when he left Haran.

Adonai first reveals Himself to Moshe...

Exo 3:1 Now Moshe was tending the sheep of Yitro his father-in-law, the priest of Midyan. Leading the flock to the far side of the desert, he came to the mountain of God, to Horev.

Exo 3:2 The angel of Adonai appeared to him in a fire blazing from the middle of a bush. He looked and saw that although the bush was flaming with fire, yet the bush was not being burned up.

Exo 3:3 Moshe said, "I'm going to go over and see this amazing sight and find out why the bush isn't being burned up."

Exo 3:4 When Adonai saw that he had gone over to see, God called to him from the middle of the bush, "Moshe! Moshe!" He answered, "Here I am."

It is through this revelation whereby He reveals Himself to us first that we come to realize who Adonai is.

Knowing who He is, is His first step towards us. Accepting who He is, is our first step toward Him.

Coming to the realization that our life has been without Adonai through Torah and Messiah is the next step in our journey...

Rom 3:19 Moreover, we know that whatever the Torah says, it says to those living within the framework of the Torah, in order that every mouth may be stopped and the whole world be shown to deserve God's adverse judgment.

Rom 3:20 For in his sight no one alive will be considered righteous on the ground of legalistic observance of Torah commands, because what Torah really does is show people how sinful they are.

Brings to mind the context of the beginning of Psalm 143:1 - 2

Psa 143:1 [A psalm of David:] Adonai, hear my prayer; listen to my pleas for mercy. In your faithfulness, answer me, and in your righteousness.

Psa 143:2 Don't bring your servant to trial, since in your sight no one alive would be considered righteous.

- Today, we are taught to memorize the verse for the sake of being able to recite the verse, rather than memorizing the verse for the sake of being able to recall the entire context of the verse.
- Legalistic observance of Torah...additional instructions applied to the written Torah do not aid in making people righteous, but on the contrary, show just how sinful we really are.

Rom 3:21 But now, quite apart from Torah, God's way of making people righteous in his sight has been made clear — although the Torah and the Prophets give their witness to it as well -

For it is Torah, given by Adonai that tells us what is required...

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.'

It was through the sacrificial system that atonement for sin was made for the repentant person.

When we read Leviticus 4 & 5, it speaks of inadvertent or unintentional transgression. The act of bringing a Chatat, a sin offering implies one seeking forgiveness through atonement implies T'shuvah...repentance.

Num 15:30 "But an individual who does something wrong intentionally, whether a citizen or a foreigner, is blaspheming Adonai. That person will be cut off from his people.

Num 15:31 Because he has had contempt for the word of Adonai and has disobeyed his command, that person will be cut off completely; his offense will remain with him.' "

Without repentance and a blood sacrifice, there was no atonement.

Rom 3:22 and it is a righteousness that comes from God, through the faithfulness of Yeshua the Messiah, to all who continue trusting. For it makes no difference whether one is a Jew or a Gentile,

• Now it is in believing that the truth of Yeshua's obedient act of sacrifice is sufficient in atoning for our transgressions.

He has provided one part, we are to provide the second part.

Rom 3:23 since all have sinned and come short of earning God's praise.

Rom 3:24 By God's grace, without earning it, all are granted the status of being considered righteous before him, through the act redeeming us from our enslavement to sin that was accomplished by the Messiah Yeshua.

Rom 3:25 God put Yeshua forward as the kapparah (atonement) for sin through his faithfulness in respect to his bloody sacrificial death. This vindicated God's righteousness; because, in his forbearance, he had passed over [with neither punishment nor remission] the sins people had committed in the past;

Rom 3:26 and it vindicates his righteousness in the present age by showing that he is righteous himself and is also the one who makes people righteous on the ground of Yeshua's faithfulness.

Who do you place your trust in?

Do your lips reconcile what your actions say?

Do you do what you say you believe?

Do you believe what you say you believe and your actions, your lifestyle confirm that belief.

How can you say you believe something if you don't even know it to begin with – Adonai's Word.

You say you have put your faith and trust in the fulfilled promises in what Yeshua has done.

Do you believe it.

The first step was Adonai's, the next step is yours.

You say your life is too busy?

You've always got time for T'shuvah so long as you are living. The variable that we don't know is how much time is.

So, you think you have time...you put it off, making other things a priority – thinking, I can do this later, when time runs out.

Or do you like the lifestyle you have now and don't want to give it up, thinking I can do it later?

A commitment to Adonai, acknowledging the truth of Messiah is a lifestyle commitment. Speaking from experience, you will make many changes in your life, based on the revelations you experience through the wisdom found in Torah and of Messiah's teachings of Torah.

Sha'ul writing to Timothy quotes from Numbers 16:5 and 16:26 makes this statement to you:

2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless, God's firm foundation stands, stamped with these words: "The Lord knows his own," and, "Let everyone who claims he belongs to the Lord stand apart from wrongdoing."