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Chapter 1: Opening prayer and fellowship

Let's pray. Holy Father, we come before you today, this morning, this afternoon, this evening, wherever we are around the world. And I know we are all around the world. We come before you right now with humble hearts and and and worship you as your sons, as your daughters, as your children, as your ecclesia. Uh we just come and ask that your spirit be with us this morning. Help us to give us um help it to give us great insights into any word that we share with one another and encouragement that we share with one another. Pray for a vibrant time of fellowship and bonding uh with these people even though they are literally across the world. We're so grateful for this day and age where we have a tool like Zoom, uh, where we can see each other's faces and hear each other's voices and and and just enjoy one another's presence, although it be thousands of miles away. So, we're thankful for that, Father. We're also thankful for those friends that could be here in the flesh, like Lyn number two, and my family.

And u we're we're grateful for um the bond that we have in the truth and uh having made the decision each of in every one of us to find the truth and to hold to the truth and to keep to the truth no matter what it costs us, no matter where it leads us. And uh we're just grateful, Father, that we're seeing it. That your spirit has opened our eyes if even a little bit to understand your ways. And we pray that going forward in our life and in our little group here that just grows exponentially, Father, as we have more and more insight into your word. Please be with uh brothers like Asaf and Susho and their countries there where they're trying to um serve you wholeheartedly with the children that they lead and to teach the Torah and to serve and feed. We just pray that you make more ways for us to support them not just financially but emotionally and as friends. We pray for the Baronsons who aren't here today because they're with my mother in Kurville and they have a challenging week ahead of them.

And so we just pray for great patience there. And uh whether it's my mother or other people's loved ones, Father, who are dealing with similar afflictions, we just pray for patience for all of us. Give us guidance. Give us wisdom. help us to make the decisions that we need to make out of the spirit of love and honor for who you are in our lives. So we love you so much for all these things. We pray all these things in the name of your holy son Yeshua. Amen. Amen.

Chapter 2: Discussion on Israel

All right. Hi guys. Good morning. Where shall we start? questions, discussions about old lessons, um declarations, some good news. Maybe you've got some great news that you want to share about what's going on in your life, about what you're learning in your Bible. Um just anything. And it's okay if we have awkward silences. We're here together. I have a question. Well, it's not really a question. I want to settle a thought in my mind and it may have been discussed in the past but I have been uh unable to attend every um meeting because I've been in and out of surgery but anyway in our present climate we have I have family that half of them are Jewish Jewish and the other half are Christian and then you

have a few that are nothing you know But the topic is always not always but currently um the support of Israel and there's quite a few that the the discussion is who is Israel in Genesis that we bless bless them we bless who those bless you and we

curse those who curse you versus the country that is there day because I don't know I I can't reconcile a lot of the going on and it just kind of I if somebody can kind of filter it for me that would be great. I want all of you to respond. Anybody who wants to respond. But before you do, let me share with Mia the lesson that I wanted to have today but did not have the time to put together was this one. Kawinky dink. Oh yeah. This is this is it. this is hitting my heart. Yeah. Well, I think it's the spirit because um it's not just your heart that it's been um hitting. It's been hitting other people's as well. And it's a it's a great question to ask. It's an honest question to ask. We should be able to ask that question. You know, where should we where should we be on this whole thing? But I'm I here's what I don't want to do this morning, guys. I don't want Ed Doss to be the loudest voice in this room uh as it pertains to answering these questions. Um now we may have some conflicting answers and that's okay.

We're we can be unified, love each other, and have different opinions. Um but I don't want it to just be me. So Cynthia, go ahead. Jump in there. Um, do you understand the term arvro? Do you know what that term means? Okay, I didn't hear you. Rav E R E V R A B. Do you understand that term? No. I Okay. Um, I've listened to many rabbis and I'm in a zoom with Jews in Israel and there are some rabbis in Israel. They see the government of Israel as the Arv the uh mixed multitude that are run as more of a secular state instead of a Jewish state. So they actually don't trust the government of Israel even though they live there. they made aliyah. Um, so you it's very difficult because you want to support Israel, but it's like it's like supporting America. We know there are evil people in high places in our government. You're really not supporting them, but you support the American people and the principles we were built on, the Constitution, God-given rights. So, um, how many of you are familiar with, um, Kahan, Kahani, K A H E, in the past?

He got he got murdered. He was, um, are any of y'all familiar with him? No. No. Uh well, he's tried I can't tell you when he was murdered, but he was trying to to get the people in Israel to support more of a Torah Jewish national Israel. And he was saying, "We have to get the Arabs out. We have to get the Muslims out." And yeah, he he ended up being murdered. That goes way back. Um it's very difficult. It's it's a very difficult question. But yes, Israel is in the process right now a strong movement of those and you all know this because before October 7th there was a divide over the Supreme Court of Israel. Are y'all aware of that? Yes. And I think it's on purpose. October 7th. Yes. So they were trying to because they were trying to pass a law to try to clip the power of the Supreme Court because they would go to the trouble of getting more of a conservative Nesset.

Um cuz you have Orthodox Jews starting to make inroads in the Nesset and they're trying to get more of a Jewish Israel because they recognize the right of return would just make them another Arab state. So they're having to fight that. I I don't want to go into this too much. It's really very very a lot to go into. But before October 7th, there was a big divide like you see in the parallel between us and Israel is uncanny. It is absolutely uncanny the parallel we have. Um, are y'all aware that many of the Jewish Orthodox Jews believe Rome is Edom? Yeah. Do y'all know that? Yeah, I heard of that. Yes. And um do y'all how do y'all feel about Ephraim where he Jacob told of Ephraim when he blessed him that he would be the fullness of the Gentiles? I I actually have a large teaching on that one. So yeah, I'm pretty

familiar with that. Okay. My theory is in the United States, we have a divide and I think it's Ephraim and Edom.

That's my theory that the United States is the only nation that has truly given the Jewish people true freedom and security because we were built on the Torah. Our laws were built on the the Ten Commandments, the Torah, Moses. Um, I think that's so we were founded in my opinion by Ephraim. I think Ephraim is the fullness of the Gentiles. It's us. It's us. That's who I that's what I think. But you have over time Rome has come in and infiltrated and um so you have this Rome and Ephraim fighting in our nation. In Israel you see this secular government which is connected to the Europe and Rome the Arab Rav there are mixed multitude and you have Judah rising up in Israel. And so you see this conflict in Israel between Judah and the Arab. That is how I view where we are right now. And um so I I think of that verse where Ephraim and Judah will become one in his hand. And I wonder I don't know. I have a lot of these things. I ponder these things. Well, thank you Cynthia.

I'm not entirely sure if we answered Myriad's question on that, but I appreciate your thoughts. Glenn number two wanted to share something. I'm going to turn the camera around for him.

Chapter 3: Prophecy and the tribes of Israel

Hey guys. Yeah, I I I'm trying to get back to what I think the question was. Um, you know, it if we look at Israel, you know, the promises that were made to Israel, it was to 12 tribes. Now, it it's also true that the scepter, the rulership was given to Judah, but the the promises that that were made to Israel was to him and his kids and their kids and their kids and their kids. They're prodigies. I just point out that prophecy is it's prophecy is as clear as it can be if you're looking in your rearview mirror. But trying to take what's going on today and nail it down to to exactly where we are and what's going on. That's, you know, that's great and I invite everybody to, you know, have fun with that party, but it but it is it's speculation, but we know that Judah has the settler. Amen. And you know, my my two cents on what Glenn just said, and I'll just share this is I I I let me put I'm not one of those guys um that sees prophecy being fulfilled in every little single thing that happens in the world today.

Does that mean to say that there aren't prophecies being fulfilled? No, of course not. There are always going to be prophecies fulfilled. I just don't want to be um one of those Torah conspiracy theorists who tries to read into every little thing uh every everything that we see whether it's identifying who the antichrist is. You know, I remember as a kid when I was in high school, people were certain that Ronald Reagan was the antichrist. and um you know and they're certain today that Trump is and so I just don't I don't subscribe to trying to apply um meaning to every little event that happens because these events have are cyclical and they've happened many times through history. So anyways um I'll shut up here. Let's see. I think Luke is up next. Go ahead, Luke. And by the way, guys, let me encourage you if you haven't already done this.

I'm not sure how many pe of you you are looking at this on your phones, but um if you're on a computer, if you switch to to gallery view, that gives you a kind of look at everybody at once um versus uh speaker view, which only gives you an image of the person speaking. But I find it helpful, excuse me, helpful for me. Jump in there, Luke. Yeah, if you're on your phone, all you have to do is swipe left and you get to see everybody that's that's that's present. There's three screen. So anyway, uh Shabbat um I believe that there is the secular state, nation state of Israel and then there is the house of Israel which we are to pray for the house of Israel for the seed of Abraham for all his descendants. I agree.

And the nation state is obviously very separate from the house of Israel. And like uh the woman prior to me, I forgot her name. Um she was saying how there are the the the Jewish population there wants to uh reform the government. They want it to be more of a Torah a Torah state.

They want to observe the laws of Moses to be their constitution. So, you know, and you know, when she mentioned that guy that was killed, I something something like that rang a bell, but I can't be sure. Um, but we are to pray for and if ye be in Christ, ye are Abraham's seed and therefore heir to the promise. So, we are Israel. And I believe that because of the diaspora that their DNA has been spread throughout the world and Christ said, "I have come for none other but the lost people of Israel." I could have Jewish blood somewhere in my along the line that got woken up and called me to Torah. I don't know if that's how it works. It's a possibility. something I've been pondering, thinking about, but I mean, I don't know. But that's it. Thank you. Thank you, Luke. Um, go ahead, Ray. All right. Um, this is definitely kind of a passion topic for me.

Um because we heard I don't know if anybody got to hear the Mike Huckabe thing with uh with Tucker Carlson where he basically was saying well I believe as a Christian we are to just bless Israel and Tucker was trying to dig into that a little and and like he didn't even know where the verse came from. And we all know, I'm pretty sure most people on this panel probably know it comes from Genesis 12 where Abra Abraham is actually and he's Abram at the time gets the blessing and God tells him, "I will bless those who bless you Abraham and those who curse you Abraham will be." So he's he's directing it to a certain person. But it's it's also important to understand. I I my passion topic is I believe it's a restoration of all things. So when you look at your Bible, the first 10 chapters, God's dealing with mankind as a whole. We were just the human race. There wasn't Gentiles. There wasn't Jews. There was none of that. We were one people. And it gets divided at the Tower of Babel.

At the Tower of Babel, God divides the nations into languages. And then we get 70 nations. And now God has no one really serving him. The nations are all serving their gods. So God chooses Abraham because he sees his heart. He knows that if he teaches, he knows that Abraham will teach his children and his household the ways of the one true living God. And so this is how God is going to bless the world is through Abraham. And we all know that that seed that was in Abraham is actually the Messiah. So this is about israel is not about a a a bloodline. It's about a people coming together in covenant with Yah. And once you kind of understand that, then you get the blessings that go to a Israel. It's all directed at Messiah and the people who are in covenant with the one true living God. But Christianity as a whole thinks it's that nation state. And so they they want to pour funding and blessings into that nation state when we all know that that nation state is not perfect. It does a lot of evil things, too.

I mean, there's a a lot of things that they do wrong. So I think that's where the confusion comes in. The blessings should go to the people who are in covenant with the one true God. That's the important part to understand. And I think Luke brought that up understanding too that the 12 tribes are there. It's not just one tribe. We tend to focus on the one tribe of Judah being the Jewish people, but but there was 12 tribes. 10 got scattered into the nations. And um he had I forgot the the other guy that I'm just learning your names. Um but yeah, the guy that just spoke before me, he said the same thing where he said that um you know that that this nation state they got scattered into the nations. We we don't know they all intermingled. We could have Jewish blood in us, but that bloodline doesn't really matter. It's all about a

matter of the heart and choosing who's serving God through covenant, the Ten Commandments and the Torah. That's who is in covenant. That's whose Israel is. So, it's not about bloodline.

I hope that cleared some things up for you. I mean, a little bit. It's all good. Go ahead, Maria. I mean, a little bit what you said, I understand, but it doesn't clarify the fact that, okay, you and I may agree on that. Um, but when we hear all these talking heads and they're saying, you know, send money to Israel, uh, we have to, uh, bless them, they're they're they're speaking like to bless them is, yeah, let's send a couple of bombs over there. Let's let's have war because war is so good. Um, there's a blessing for I'm not I'm not I'm sorry. No, no, no. I was I was just laughing at what you said here. Um, okay. So, Tony wants to share and then Glenn number two. Well, I didn't really have something along these lines. I had a different question. So, if other people want to comment about Israel still, I can wait. Okay, let's let Glenn number two share the final thoughts there.

And they're not final thoughts, guys, but um I am going to be doing a lesson on this, you know, God willing, next weekend, and address these questions, all of them. We're going to go into a deep dive uh on it. Um but let's have Glenn share what he's going to share and then Tony, if you want to get us on a different direction, go right ahead. Go ahead, Glenn. I was waiting till I got up there. Oh, sorry. Uh yeah, I just I I know you guys know know the word pretty well and I appreciate that and I love all your comments and everything and I'm so privileged to be a part of the group. But I wanted just to remind us that uh at the tail end of of uh Genesis when Jacob was on his deathbed, he made some prophecies about what would happen to the tribes. And if you go through those prophecies, you can pretty much nail down where most of the 10 tribes are without speculating much just because of the blessings that that uh Jacob laid out. Here's what's going to happen to you and here's what's going to happen to you and so on and so forth.

So, uh that's a good read. That's a good study and probably a big part of understanding uh uh world politics u you know where all the different countries are and what their relationship how uh you know you know a lot of the countries in western Europe are actually Israeli countries if you just look at the blessings you can see how those uh prophecies will manifest. Amen. All right thank you Glenn number two uh jump in there Tony. What do you got?

Chapter 4: Parables and the kingdom of God

Okay. Well, shabbat shalom everyone. Um, my question is related to last week's teaching. Um, you know, on the par the parables and mostly around the the tree, the mustard tree and the birds. I wasn't I mean I listened to it a couple times. Granted, I was probably a little distracted both times when I was trying to listen to it, but could you expound a little bit more about the the mustard, the seed, the mustard seed and the tree and the birds? Like what what were you what were you getting at with all of that? Because I understood the other things. I actually had a friend who brought me into this walk that she actually um taught that you know the tears like when the people in the field ones that were taken away were the tears.

like she taught that but I never understood her reasoning for it and then when you explained it that really helped a lot and it totally made sense but then we got to the next parable you know that parable about the tree and I don't I'm not I wasn't following okay so we are talking about the parable of the mustard seed and not the parable of the tears and the wheat okay correct so uh if you recall and I can go back and show you those slides again if we need to but if you recall The parable opens up with the

the mustard seed in the palm of the hand being the smallest seed. Um, and if you've ever had a mustard seed in your hand, you know just how small it is. They're really small. Um, and and the kingdom of God is like that mustard seed that grows into this massive tree. And the image that I showed on the screen was an adult mustard tree. And in this mustard tree, uh, all the birds of the air will rest in its branches.

Well, that goes back to, uh, it's a, uh, metaphor, if you will, that goes back all the way to other promises and prophecies made about the coming kingdom of God. I think the one that I shared and that one was from Ezekiel if my memory serves me correct, but there are others. That's just one. Um there's one in Daniel. There's one in Genesis. And the birds of the air are are are meant to um symbolize, if you will, all the nations of the world that will flock to the kingdom of God. Now, am I making spiritual um determinations on who these people are? No. Only he can do that. And if you've been in my group long enough, you know that I don't ever make a judgment on someone's eternal condition. However, there will be a drawing of the nations to this kingdom. When the New Jerusalem sets on the planet, it's going to be very polarizing, right? There are going to be people who want to stay away from it, but there's going to be a lot of people who are drawn to it.

And in fact, it's prophesied that they will come and tell one another, "Let's go and hear the words of the Lord. Let's go and celebrate the festival of tabernacles." So, it's going to be one of those things that draws the birds, if you will, from all nations. Does that make sense? Where did she go? I lost her. Oh, there she is. Tony, does that make sense? Yeah. I mean, that helps me understand where you were coming from with it. I mean, I've heard different teachings on it and they seem to contradict each other and so I'm just still working out all that leaven. So, I just appreciate you expounding a little bit more on it. No, no, no. That's perfectly fine. And you're going to find Tony as you go along here that um a lot of what you come to understand is going to is going to fly in the face of what you were taught. Oh yeah. U you know I I the prism through which I looked at my Bible for many years was New Testament pretty much.

But once I changed that prism and started looking at everything through the Old Testament because the Tanakh is what brings light to the to the New Testament, the Brha and and you can't understand it unless you look at it from the ancient paths. I should name my group after the ancient paths. That sounds like a good idea. Oh, I think I do. Great idea. Um, so yeah, you have to look at everything through the prism of the ancient paths for it to make sense.

Chapter 5: Defining the gospel and repentance

Uh, Brother Snow, I think was next. If I'm getting this wrong, guys, by the way, I'm sorry, but jump in there, Tim. Well, I just wanted to say, uh, you know, you know, good morning to everybody and nice to nice to make your acquaintance. Uh, I am, uh, I've known Ed for a while and been a part of a same fellowship. Anyway, I just wanted to introduce myself because I don't really know too many people. I've been on this walk since October of last year. Uh, at least knowingly. But, uh, my question my question is is, uh, I texted Ed. I text Ed at all hours of the night, huh, Ed? Um, you know, but my question is is is am I preaching the wrong gospel or or my, you know, my gospel? Well, used to be the DBR, death, burial, and resurrection, obviously been preaching the um obedience to the Torah, but I was just doing self-examination and I just wanted to throw this one out is, you know, Jesus is preaching um the kingdom. Repent for the kingdom of heaven is near. He didn't even preach his own death.

Um I think even 24 hours before um and I was so I was just this is just more of a question uh or a self evaluation when I'm reaching out to people you know what gospel do I preach or should I continue to preach knowing that my audience is Gentiles or or you know people who maybe even have a slight belief in Jesus or people who are part of the you know apostate Christian church, but I just wanted to throw it out what you guys what you guys say to people um and if anything's different and uh I just thought I'd I'd ask your guys' opinion on this. Okay. Well, let's Glenn's got his hand up. There's always the the same few people who want to talk and answer. And I'm so grateful that you do, but I'm I'm dying to hear from others on how you might answer this because Glenn might know the answer to that question. Angela might know the answer to that question. Allan might know the answer to that.

I would love to hear from one of you who aren't quite sure you know the answer to that question so you can learn yourself and embrace what the Bible's telling us. So, is there anybody besides Glenn? Number two, uh Luke, you've already I I know I know you. Okay. Anybody else? How about I've never heard of Elanu. I'm raising my hand. Hello. Go ahead. Shabbat shalom. Shabbat shalom. Shalom. Shabbat shalom house. Um I'm actually walking it's here in Nigeria. I'm actually walking down to see my sister but I didn't want to miss the fellowship. So for some of us that are in this work research that just just started it could be very burdensome is you don't even know people begin to see you as like I've been told by my own children whom I raised and they say mommy I've gone apostate I said I've not gone apostate I have come to know the truth and that's what I want you to follow it brings a whole lot of rift in the family and you see yourself especially when it comes to food. I just want to keep away from some unclean things.

My husband wants it on the menu and all this and in the place of submission and all this but somehow Aba has been helping me. So with regards to his question what um to preach I believe for Oh no we didn't lose her did we? for me. I don't know if I'm wrong. I could be corrected that I should continue. Hello. I should continue on what is the truth as revealed in Yes. I should continue on what is the truth as revealed in the scripture. Irrespective if the spirit of the almighty is working in the heart of a person actually he's the one that does the job. He will stir up something in your heart over it might not be immediately. Sometimes it's actually frustrating to see my children do and kind of resist. However, I've learned to not go by my own strength and trust the most high. But I believe we should still preach the truth. Say it the way it is as scripture reveals it. It might bring Yes. It bring lots of opposition, but that's I don't know. I believe the Holy Spirit will help us throughout through these times. I just believe that.

Amen. Amen. Am I saying your name right? Elanu. Elanu. Elanu. Elanu. That's my son. My name is Celestina. Celestina. Okay. Awesome. Thank you so much for your comments. It's so great to know that we've got someone in Nigeria here with us today, guys. That is amazing. So amazing. Uh okay. Uh somebody else. Sausage. You want to try sometime? Okay. Go ahead, Sasha. It's Christina. Uh, I'm fascinated about the prodigal son and uh connected to the two kingdoms, the south and the north. Uh, and what what are your opinions about that? I I listen to Douglas Hamp the remarage the Commonwealth theology from his and I I thinking about the the home son the Judah and Benjamin who was who is the the son that it was jealous about when the the the lost son came home.

uh and what you think about that and and compared to the the the situation today with Judah and yeah the the kingdom that would come together and Jesus said that there is we are one in Christ there is only no Jew and Gentile and but how how should we see look at the Jew the yeah the Jews today and and and we we what that means what what is a Jew? I sense that's a different qu line of questioning uh

than what Tim was asking. So, let's and if it's not, please correct me. Um, but let's let's hold on to that thought, Christina, until we get a proper answer for Brother Snow here. Um, did Allan, did you want to take a shot at that? Uh, yeah. Yeah. Yes, sir. Um, if I understood the question correctly and and it kind of leads onto a question that I had, but was Tim asked if how do we know if we're preaching the right gospel or sending the right message? Is that right? Well, it's not how do we know, it's it's are we actually preaching the right gospel? Jesus says, you know, the kingdom as it is on earth, as it is in heaven.

And we are we preaching the right message, the same one that Yeshua or Christ preached is really the question. It's not really like a right or wrong. It's just more of like are we am I in alignment? More of a self-reflective what are we actually preaching? Uh I I think there's a couple maybe four or five ways that we could tell. Um are are we calling people to repent uh and return to the father? Um are we preaching the kingdom and uh not just maybe personal salvation? Um, are we talking about uh faith in Yahusha uh as king and redeemer? Um, are we teaching obedience to the Torah? Uh, not for salvation, uh, but because of covenant faithfulness, I guess. Um, and are we preaching what Yahusha and the apostles preach? Uh, not just traditions that have been handed down. I guess scripture calls it worthless, worthless traditions from our father. Um, and I'm sure there there may be more, but I I think those are what I would say is is the wholeness of the message maybe. Okay. Uh, amen.

Well, Angela, did you want to say something in this regard or you just got your hand up for another question? I had my hand up for another question, hun. Okay. So, let's give Glenn number two a shot and then I'm going to share my two cents on Tim's uh question and then we can move on to Uh, other questions. Go ahead. Okay, Tim. Um, I think that's a really good question. Do I see me? Yeah, there I am. Okay. Uh, the uh what I want to point out and I I think the the Bible answers your question uh pretty plainly says if you if you look at the gospels where Christ is talking about the kingdom of God, the good news of the kingdom of God, you've got to consider his audience. uh because they were all very very very familiar uh with the Torah and he was preceded by John the Baptist who who was teaching repentance. But if you if you change the audience a little bit and now you go to Paul who's sent to Greek.

If you look at the epistles of Paul, uh more than a third of the epistles of Paul are quoting the Torah because they did not have the foundation of the Torah already. And so to really understand the gospel of the kingdom without understanding the Torah, you can't really you can't really do that. So the message really has to be crafted to the audience of where they are. Uh but the foundation is the Torah and you know which is the big book, the Tanakh is the big book and the New Testament is the little book. And then you just look at how how the uh Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, Jude, you you uh uh Timothy, you look at how they address their various audiences and that answers your question. Amen. Okay, so here's the deal. I appreciate all of your responses and I'm in agreement with all of your responses. I think I have to say I I Celestina's response to me hits the nail on the head. And let me expound on that, brother Snow. Uh let me ask you Tim, a question. If you could unmute yourself. Uh what have you and I been taught?

And when I say you and I, I mean you all and I have been taught what the gospel is in the church, the death, burial, and resurrection. And when you die, you go to heaven. And it's that last thing that I was actually talking about that that is pre that Roman teaching is is is really what I was talking about. Yes. So you and I have all been taught that the the gospel is the death, burial, and resurrection of the Christ.

So if that's the case, let me ask some provocative questions. What was the one thing that Yeshua told people not to say about him? That he came to do away with the law. No. How many times as you read through the Gospels did you see Yeshua say, "Speak not of this. Don't tell anybody what I'm telling you. Right? He He wasn't there to announce too early before it's time who he was and what he came to do. Right? So, it was kind of a hush hush thing. Someone said, "You're the Messiah." Oh, okay. Keep that to yourself for the moment, you know, with very few exceptions.

Uh he didn't expound into who he was with anybody except one person. Do you remember who that was? The woman at the well. Right. That's the only one the only one person where he really kind of went into, okay, yeah, what you say is true. I'm me. I'm that guy. But for the rest of the people, it was hush hush. So this gospel of the kingdom that you and I were taught was the death, burial, and resurrection was the one thing that Yeshua was keeping down low. However, as Glenn number two just alluded to, the Bible tells us that Yeshua himself as well as John the Baptist were both preaching the gospel. So, this gospel that they were preaching wasn't limited to the death, burial, and resurrection of the Messiah. couldn't have been if they were preaching it and Yeshua was trying to keep it down low. It had been something else. So, what is the gospel? Well, I think I think Celestia nailed it on the head. It's obedience to to everything. When John the Baptist came back and he started preaching the gospel, what was he preaching? Repentance.

Return to the truth. Obey. When Yeshua came back preaching the gospel, long before anybody ever knew what the gospel would be in the church's mind, death, burial, and resurrection, long before that ever happened, he was preaching the gospel, the good news of the gospel. What was the good news of the gospel? Well, it was twofold. One, he came to free the house of Israel from their bondage to the law of the husband. That's why he came, right? The but two, calling people back to the truth. Calling people back to obedience to the truth. So the gospel in my humble estim estimation is not just that Jesus died for your sins. That's a an amazing point to make with anybody for sure, but that's not that's just the tip of the iceberg, right? It's the whole picture. So when someone in the church says you're preaching another gospel, what they mean to say is you're trying to put us back under the law. And that's not the case at all, right? We know that's not the case at all. Um, we are freed from being under the law because of Yeshua.

They don't understand that. So, you're you're banging your head against the wall um trying to help them see all all the angles, but it's not always going to be uh possible. Okay. So, that's Glenn. Did you want to say something else before we finish? Yeah, I'll I'll I'll add on to that. I you know my view on that question I don't disagree with anything that really anybody has said but if you look at the phrase you know you look at the word gospel it means good news. Yep. So that's what it is. This is so Christ is preaching the good news. Well the Bible I don't know how many times in the gospel it says it but it says the good news of the kingdom of God. So that's the gospel. It's it's clear. It's the good news of the kingdom of God. Yep. Amen. And the good news is the house of Israel can come back and those of us in the world can join the house of Israel through our faith in Yeshua. That's the good news. Amen. Okay. Um let's see now.

Sasha and Christina, going back to your question, I think we should table your question until we do next week's lesson because I think that the question that you're asking is going to be addressed in that lesson and I don't want to give away any secrets.

Chapter 6: Temple controversy and end times

So, uh, an Angela, what was what's your what's on your mind? Okay, this kind of came up this past week about what if a temple gets built in Israel in Jerusalem. How are we as believers today supposed to look at that? Um cuz it seems to be a little area of controvers Oh, seems to be a little area of controversy and um I'm kind of hardressed on both sides of that coin because um I think about Paul taking the Nazeria vow. There had to be sacrifices with that. We know that Yeshua is the ultimate sacrifice, our high priest after the order of Mechisedc. But these priests that will be coming into the temple that is desired in Jerusalem by some, you know, they say that their priests, you know, I it just seems to be something that it's an area of controversy um within the body and I'd like to have an intelligent you on that cuz the controversy being the pilgrimage festivals. Well, yeah.

Like uh you know like for men going to Jerusalem each year, three times a year and you know I mean that a temple you know and I realize our body is a temple of the Lord too. uh you know some of the things that are associated with having to go to Jerusalem or if you can't make it you know uh uh giving a shackle or what you know a half shackle or whatever I you know there's just a there was a bunch of stuff that went on this past week that seems to be kind of gnarly and you know I want to clear up some confusion on Um, okay. So, your your question is is will require really an hour's worth of discussion, but let me do this. If your hands up for any other reason than to address Angela's question, please take your hand down. Okay. So, looks like Rey is the one who wants to address in part, please, because this is uh like I said, deep waters and there are answers to it, but it's one of those questions, Angela, that requires us to come at this from a lot of different angles. There's no super simple answer. Here's your answer.

It's not doesn't exist. Okay. So, uh go ahead, Ray. Yeah, I was going to say you you you hit on a deep topic. Um, but I think the important thing to understand is if they do build a third temple, whose priesthood is the authority of that temple? Because we're not under the Levitical ironic priesthood anymore. We're under the order of MelkiseDC. So, if you go and submit yourself to that temple, you're submitting to that authority, which is they reject they reject the Messiah. That's a Levitical priesthood that thinks that their that the offerings of blood the the offering of bulls and goats takes is covering their sin when we know that that's not true anymore. So I would not submit myself to a temple if they build one because I'm under the order of MelkiseDC and his sacrifice was once for all. I don't have to offer up bulls and goats anymore when Messiah's blood not only covers my sin, it takes away my sin.

So I would be careful of that if the and then like Ed said this is a very deep topic but it's really understanding the book of Hebrews would help you understand this but it would take hours to go through all of the little nuances of the book of Hebrews. I hope that helped you some. Amen. Amen. So go ahead Angel. I just said some I was just responding to him. something I definitely want to look at and and I I do understand that Yeshua is is our sacrifice. Um I I wonder why Paul did the Nazerite vow and you know I mean because he was he was the temple was still standing though. The temple was still standing when it gets destroyed in 70 AD. He said in in the book of Hebrews that it's passing away. It hadn't passed away yet. But when that temple was destroyed in 70 AD, that ended that one. That ended that one. That's why Paul did what he did. The temple was still standing. But it's it's gone now. And it's gone for a reason. They've tried many times to rebuild it and it's never happened.

I and I believe that's because it's not Yahw ordained. Well, then how is there an abomination which makes desolate? You know, I if think of that they're going to build this false temple. Well, I mean that I

mean in reality I could say that the Dome of the Rock is an abomination. Well, let me inter let me interact here. I don't I don't I I I I completely with everything that Ray just said, I'm pretty much in agreement with much of what he's saying or at the same time disagreeing with with his perspective. And let me just share that. Um before I share that, let me address Angela's question about Paul. If if Yeshua is the fulfillment, the final sacrifice for sins, then why do we see Paul taking the Nazarite vow in the book of Acts? Is that your question, Angela? Well, I you know, I mean, that was a sacrifice that was made and I know it was for a vow. Okay. Yeah. Doesn't mean that it was blotting out his sins. Yeah. And there therein lies the difference.

Um, if there was a temple today, we there were there are certain things that we would still be required to do that do not involve sin. Yeshua was the final sacrifice for sin, but there are other sacrifices that are made that don't have to do with your redemption. And the rights of the um of the Nazarite vow are very much so like that. Uh so that that's my that's my answer to that question in part. Now, back to Rey where I where I think I disagree a little bit and sounds like we should probably do a discussion on this, a fuller discussion on this is that um the the temple that's going to be built, the third temple that's going to be built, um I I think I I I find a challenge calling it a false temple. I I struggle with that because it's not I don't think it's a false temple. I think the the Jews Judah who will build this tabernacle or this temple I don't think it's going to be a Solomon temple. I think it's probably going to be more like a Moses tabernacle than anything else is my guess.

Um they're going to build it according to scripture. They're going to occupy it according to scripture. They're going to have Levitical priesthood serve in it according to scripture. They're going to do everything according to what the scripture says. So in that sense, it's not a false temple. What we what we struggle with in using the term false temple is because that the fact that Yeshua was our final sacrifice for us and therefore we really don't want anything to do with the sacrifice of blood, you know, the blood of bulls and goats because that doesn't save. I get all that. I understand all that. But it still will be a temple. It still will be built on the place where Yah placed his name forever in whatever form that it takes. So, and so going back to Angela now, does that mean that it can be that whatever this is can be violated as in the abomination of desolate? Yes, it can. And by the way, the desolation of or the abomination of desolation doesn't necessarily have to be inside the holy of holies. It can be on temple grounds.

It can be in and around the temple. So there's a lot of moving parts here. So many moving parts that I think we have to have enough respect to say, "Yeah, I'm not quite sure I know exactly how that's going to go down. I'm not quite sure what that's how that's going to unveil itself. Here's what we know from scripture, but let's not get too dogmatic on these things. Glenda, did you want to say anything in response to that? I I'll I'll throw just something out. Just, you know, if you read the the last five or six chapters of Ezekiel, you'll see there is going to be a third temple of, you know, I believe that's during the millennium. and they are going to be keeping all of the Old Testament laws. They are going to be doing all of the sacrifices. And that's, you know, that's that's going to be happen during the millennium. Now, how can that be?

Well, in in my opinion, the indication is is that during the millennium time period, you look at all the description of Israel, the temple, and what they're doing and how they're doing it, they're under the old covenant. And so part part of you know we are called to to the new covenant but not everybody is not everybody you know has been baptized not everybody receives the holy spirit not everybody is there

at this time and everybody is not under the new covenant is still under the old covenant and that's what I think Paul kept all of th those uh rituals and and because uh the you know the the letter of the law you know u he not only took the Nazerite vow he he did all of the other stuff that were a part of of practicing the old covenant because you know what are you going to do just stop all of a sudden you're going to tell people no don't pay your tithes to the Levites no give give me your money don't give it to the Levites No, he he couldn't that, you know, he he had to support Torah, support God's law. Yeah. Yeah.

And I think the biggest mistake that people make even today in the messianic community is that when you talk, as Glenn was talking about a moment ago, the covenant, the new and the old. Yeah, we are under a new covenant. But the problem is we conflate the covenants with the law, with the teachings of the word as if they're inexplicably connected. So that when the old covenant is done away with, then all of a sudden all these old teachings and practices are as well. That's just not the case. You you have to be you have to divide the what's the word? divide the the word of God correctly to know that there are certain things even under the new covenant that would still be in place had the temple still been here. Now, none of that applies to you and me now, unfortunately, or fortunately, depending on how you look at it, uh because we're 2,000 years removed from a temple. And when the temple finally comes here, we're going to be 6,000 miles removed um you know from it. And it won't and in my opinion, it's not going to be here very long.

I truly believe that as soon as that that thing is built, it won't be long after that that we see its abomination. Well, and and that's why I think it's kind of important to know because, you know, I mean, that's when things are going to be rocking and rolling. Yeah. When when that man uh of predition, you know, stands in the holy place. And you know that's why uh you know I'm that's that's another I'm gonna nothing less is I have a a 911 call I have to make. I'm going to hand the computer off to Glenn number two. And Glenn, can you just kind of uh MC things here for me?

Chapter 7: Facing family opposition

Okay, guys. I know nothing about how to be a Zoom guy. So, um So, where where are we? Who's next? Allan. Allan had his hand up first. Yes. Good morning, guys. Um, and I just want to be uh just some transparent and I know that uh we are all probably dealing with some level of this because scripture says so. Um, but January I guess 10th 2021 is when everything changed for me. Uh, and I began to start reading the Bible um for myself uh without the teachings of men. And ever since then I just can't get enough. Um it's it occupies all of my thoughts. It occupies all of my time. Uh and my family, I guess my extended family, my mother, my brother. Um you know, very uh deeprooted Christian walk and background. Um Amos 3:3 is the verse that that I guess I'm struggling with is can two walk together unless they be agreed? Um, and I love my family so much, but the rejection and the slander against my zeal for his truth.

Um, I just didn't know how how others or, you know, the zeal that I have for the word and when I'm in the study and I find something, I just want to send it to everybody that I know and it's always met with uh a different gospel, a gospel of demons, you know, just you've you've all heard the the list. Um, so I just I just wanted to maybe if there's any anything that anybody could offer around that topic. Luke is waving his hands viciously. So Allan, you are my brother. I know that because experienced the exact same thing. In fact, I was on a phone call with my dad um right before I got here. That's why I was late.

I was talking to my dad. He lives in Arizona. Anyway, we were told, we are told, and I'm horrible telling you exactly where it is, but you can Google it in the end times that father against son, mother against daughter, that there is going to be that it you need to expect it. You need to expect it. Um, if we were not, if you're, here's kind of the rule of thumb that I kind of have. First of all, expect it.

even the people you're the closest to. But we're gonna lovingly keep sharing the truth with them because we love them that we can't help it. I I love my dad. I love him to death and I'm not going to I'm not going to give up and I'm just not going to give up on my dad. However, I do understand that if you know I'm not saying it will ever come to this, but if I'm going to choose the truth, I'm either going to choose the truth or my dad. And I I ch I'm choosing the truth. And if I don't think it'll ever come to this, but if it does, it does. And I have come to accept that if I if I'm ever separated from my parents because of this, I I have to be okay with that. And you have to be okay with that, too. And that may that may happen. Pray that it doesn't. Of course, we're going to pray that it gets through their their skulls because we're pulling our hair out. And I don't have much more to pull out. I'm going bald. So, you know, it's like, but it it's, you know, the thing of it is it's because they're our family.

I think that's what makes it harder. If it was a stranger on the street, didn't Jesus tell us, you know, share bas I'm paraphrasing, share the truth. If they don't accept it, move on, right? It's a little bit harder with your family. You are going to you're going to feel alone. You're going to feel like the black sheep of the family. Lord knows I do. Um uh and and it's like okay well the narrow path is the narrow path right? It's the narrow path. Not many will find it. So if the majority of your family is in disagreement with you, guess what? You're probably on the right path, right? Yeah. And you know in your heart because you're reading the word. You are thirsting and hunger foring it. I'm right there with you. I can't get enough. You know what the word is saying. you're you're really getting into the word and knowing what it's saying. And you know, when people don't know what the word says because if they knew what the word says, they wouldn't say some of the things that they say, right? Yeah.

And so, um, just continue to pray for them and love them. But tell and I and I'll share just in, um, in my prayer time last week, uh, something that I I felt is why is my concern so deeply for my family and not just the average person walking on the street? Uh, and that was really convicting to me. Uh, I guess to your point around, um, it's harder because it's our family. Um, you know, but where is my my drive uh to tell just the random person down the street the truth uh that I have that same passion from a family, you know, and that's it. Thank you guys very much. Uh Allan, I just want to add something that I I uh first heard from Nheimeia Gordon uh about the Hebrew on on Amos 3 like you're talking about. Uh but if you check some other translations, then you you can see that it's it's two cannot walk together unless they meet. So you have to actually get together before you can walk together. Uh not necessarily that you agree on everything.

Uh because in our group right here, we probably don't agree on everything, but we're still enjoying fellowship and we're learning from each other and you know, you know, doing what Yhovah wants us to do. Uh who else has a comment on this? Cynthia. Yes. The thing I would try to explain to your family, not if they will listen. Mind tune me out. They don't want to listen. Um, is you don't understand. You're confusing salvation with sanctification. Yes, Christ is our salvation. But how do we walk out that salvation? Sanctification comes from the Torah. Torah is love. It is love. How do you love God? Torah tells you how to love God. Have no other gods before him. Don't take his name in vain. How do you love others? He tells you, the Torah tells you how to love others. Don't want what they want. Don't covet

their wife. Don't steal. Don't slander them. He's telling you how to love, how to walk out that faith you have in your that salvation he gave you. So their confusion is when they say, "You're putting us back under the law."

You should be like, well, the law is love. If you have him in your heart, that is why there is no law against the fruit of the spirit. When you look at the fruits of the spirit, he says there's no law against that. No, because it's love. Can may I answer some other things that was said? Take time on that. Like, why did he not tell people, you know, don't tell people I'm the Messiah? You know, Ed had brought that up. I'm going to tell you what I believe is why. Whose job was it to say anoint the king? Whose job was to anoint the king? The high priest. It was the job of the high priest to anoint the king. So he didn't want Christ wasn't trying to start a movement of a new religion. So he would say, you know, whenever whenever they came to Herod, the wise men, and they said, "Where is he that is born king of the Jews?" that Pharisees could tell them Bethlehem. Later, Christ said, "You can discern the sky, but you can't discern your times." They should have been looking for the Messiah who would be king of the Jews. King of the Jews.

So, he told them, "Don't tell that yet." Because why? It's the job of the high priest to anoint the king. When he came before them before his crucifixion and they examined him, they could have anointed him as king. They could have said, "We find him to be the promised Messiah, the good news. The king has come. The kingdom has come." They could have done that. Had they done that, he still would have been crucified. He still would have been crucified because Rome would have crucified him. And you know what? He Rome would have put on the cross, king of the Jews. Exactly. It would have still happened. The only thing that changed was that had they received him, he would have come back right then in the resurrection with his armies. But they didn't receive him. So, he's still waiting. That message, the kingdom come, is still being handed out. The king, if they would just receive him, he's going to come. Um, that's the good news, Cynthia. That's Thank you. I appreciate your I appreciate your passion. Yes, of course. That's awesome.

Uh, go ahead, Christina. Yeah, Ju just the response to Alan about persecution in your family, it's it's um it was it's really painful and and you um I I I I've been like really really hard time for this last one week. I I addressed it last time, I think. And uh I I've been praying like Jesus come quickly because it's been too almost too hard. But anyway, we it is so much we need to to understand that it's is a choice to to keep on standing firm. And um to add to this, this is a family situation because my my brother-in-law is one of the top um guy in the Lutheran church. Uh so it's a persecution in in that level too and a lot of secret service in our our secret I mean secret what do you say like Freemasons in our my relatives. So and I've been addressing that on Facebook and and and and debating a lot. Uh, so it's it's been really tough, but God is very good and we we just need to forgive and and bless every day and and and just um we we're going to go get our um rewards in heaven.

I think we need to keep our eyes on heaven very much today and remember to thank him in all situations and and then then you get the focus and the mental to put your thought on Christ every every single day. Every thought must be captive. um take every every thought captive and and and um been go with your family and in before the throne and um deal with Christ and pray and and love. That's my Amen. Christina, thank you very much. Appreciate your words, of course. Okay, guys. Listen, uh sorry about my little exit there a second ago. I had to deal with some drama. Um, as I told you before, um, what we're going to do, we're going to have brother Snow close us out with whatever

thoughts or questions that he has and then um, and we'll go on and have the rest of our Shabbats with our families. Go ahead, Tim. Well, I just wanted to respond to Allan. Um, so, uh, this is actually what I think we should be talking about is this. grateful for that and uh I just wanted to say Allan definitely with you.

Um I'm in the same boat and uh just wanted to uh you know just empathize with you and also be praying for you and appreciate you opening up. But I did want to say I think that number one the prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective and we need to go to the throne like uh the previous sister just said to pray. I also wanted to say like Proverbs 3:3 it says let love and faithfulness never leave you and I know we I think you know we are all faithful I just sometimes we got to remember to keep being loving and then thirdly is you know I think instead of telling people stuff you know telling people stuff we need to ask questions I say things like well obviously you have a reason for saying that do you mind if I ask what it is and then and then they say sure and I go what why you know help me understand why are saying what you say. So instead of just blasting people with information, I think we can try to ask questions.

So I'm I'm making a list of questions that I can ask for different objections because all the objections are the same. Anyway, just wanted to say, man, appreciate you sharing, Alan, and everyone else. And I just want to say I love you all and I look forward to getting to know you. God bless you. Amen. guys. Well, thank you so much again for coming and hanging out with us and being patient as we um go through this week of challenges here on my end. And we'll come back together next week with that lesson on Israel and and time alignments and hopefully answer a lot of the questions that we started with. Um and um hopefully uh not make too many enemies with people. Another can of worms. Yeah. Yeah. Cuz you're always opening up another can of worms. But um guys, have a great Shabbat. If you haven't already, check out Jay Carper's YouTube channel. Uh he's got a lot of great stuff there. Thanks for coming today, Jay.

And for all the rest of you who came from all over the world, please don't forget to support brother ASF and his endeavors there with the Torah school. And uh have a great day. Have a great Shabbat. Have a great weekend. And we'll see you guys next time. Thank you everybody. Shabbat.