

Messianic Signs 1 - The Need for a Messiah - Transcript

Shabbat Shalom, and Shabbat Shalom to those who are watching with us today. I've got a very exciting series I'm going to be starting today. It's called *Messianic Signs*. And this is part one, *The Need for a Messiah*. And I'll be doing at least three parts, *maybe* four parts ... we'll see; but at least definitely for now I'll be doing three parts on this ... on *really* showing the core of our faith and really showing the need for a messiah. Because the true belief is so different than any other religion. When you're looking at other religions of the world, in Hinduism, in Islam and all the other religions that are there, they don't really have the aspect of redemption. They don't really have the aspect of a messiah and the need for redemption, which is the basic core of our belief system.

So I want to start in Romans 3 verse 1. Romans the third chapter verse 1. And ... oh I'm sorry verse 10. Romans 3 and verse 10. It says:

Romans 3:10-18, 23 *According as it has been written, "There is none righteous, not even one!" "There is no one understanding; there is no one seeking YAHWEH. All turned away, and became worthless together, not one is doing goodness, not so much as one!" "Their throat is a tomb being opened;" "they used deceit with their tongues; the poison of asps is under their lips; whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness. Their feet are swift to shed blood; ruin and misery are in their way; and they did not know a way of peace; there is no fear of Elohim before their eyes."* ... and if we drop down to verse 23 ... *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of YAHWEH,*

So, when you look at it, the most core belief of the New Testament *is* that as a human race we have a fallen nature and that nature is corrupted. It's something that Satan uses against us to his advantage because of our corrupted nature. He uses our greed, and our lust, and our covetous spirit, and our selfishness, so that we would sin. And we know that wages of sin is death, and that's the need for a messiah to come after that.

Now, what's interesting about it is ... and there's different aspects. I know in western society when you're talking about messianic apologetics, you're talking more of things like, *"What day did The Messiah worship on? Did He worship on Saturday or Sunday? What about His resurrection? Do we celebrate the feast of First Fruit or do we celebrate Easter?"* But in Israel, where Yahshua was from—that's where He was born, and that's where He lived His whole life—it's a very different aspect. And in the time I've been there, and when you're dealing with Jewish people, and you're dealing with Rabbis, they're looking at it as very different because they don't believe that Yahshua is the Messiah at all. They just don't believe in it. And the Rabbis *claim* that even the *need* for a messiah is not in the Tanach. That that's something that is a *Christian* thing. And there's actually Jews in Israel, and some Rabbis even, that believe that Yahshua was a good man, and He was ... He did live in 30AD and lived His life and was a good teacher. But they after He died, that the apostle Paul started a new religion called Christianity and made Him into an Elohim. Which is just totally not the way the facts are there, or the Scriptures tell us it.

So, what I want to do, is I really want to go through with this series like today, and show you ... of course we'll use the Brit Chadasha, the New Testament ... but really show you from the Tanach to bring alive to you, *what really is our faith all about?* Because we're living in the most deceptive time that we've ever seen. And even in this movement ... and praise Yahweh I'm thirty-three years in this faith ... so I've seen the movement start in the 1990's of people coming out of Catholicism, and coming out of Christianity, and coming back to Torah. Which is a great thing, I'm all for that. But what's happened in the last ten years or so, is that people are actually going to Torah and using Torah as a tool for salvation; which it was never meant for salvation. The Torah is there as a book of instruction to teach you how to live. But salvation comes *only* through the shed blood of Yahshua Messiah.

And I've seen in Messianic congregations, I've seen it, across the world, that people have diminished Yahshua's role. There's congregations that don't even believe He preexisted, or believe He's a created being, and are really taking Him down. And I've never really seen anybody come from the aspect of the Tanach really showing who Yahshua is, and the power of Him being the Messiah. So that's really what I want to go through in this. I want us to see that; why there's a need for a messiah, mankind's fallen nature, and that without Yahshua we have nothing.

So let's start in Genesis 3—let's go back to Genesis 3. Because I've said this many times in sermons: "How many parts is the Bible broken into?" And people most the time will rightly say, "Two." And I'll say, "Ok, that's good, but what are they?" And they'll say, "The Old Testament and the New Testament." And I say, "No. The bible is broken down into two parts. Genesis one and two, and then the rest of the Bible." Because Genesis one and two everything was created in Eden. Everything was created with perfectness—a perfect nature. There was no sin; there was no cold; there was no wild animals; everything was perfect.

And after—what we're going to read here in Genesis 3—after Adam, who was set on the earth ... Yahweh was colonizing Heaven, and that's why we pray, when we pray the great, *Our Father; Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on the earth as it is in Heaven.* ... that this was a test that Yahweh was doing. Heaven is eternal, it's always been there. It's His throne. But He was going to colonize the earth and make the earth like it was in Heaven. And He took Adam, *Adom*, a man from that creation, He took him out of the creation and brought him into the garden to teach him about His character, and to teach him the Torah, the instruction for life as we say. And what happened? We get to Genesis 3.

Genesis 3:1-4 *And the serpent ... the serpent is Satan the devil; we know that from other Scriptures ... the serpent was cunning above every beast of the field which YAHWEH Elohim had made. And he said to the woman, Is it so that Elohim has said, You shall not eat from any tree of the garden? And the woman said to the serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat, but of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden, Elohim has said, You shall not eat of it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die. And the serpent said to the woman, Surely you shall not die,*

Right? Who is the creator of the immortal soul doctrine? It certainly isn't Yahweh or Scripture because we know from Scripture, *The soul that sins, it shall die*—that's Ezekiel 18:4. And we know from Romans 6:23, in the Brit Chadasha—the New Testament—that still, the wages of sin is still death. So sin brings death and immortality is a gift from Yahweh that will come when Yahshua returns. But it's not your inalienable right simply for being born.

Genesis 3:4-6 *And the serpent said to the woman, Surely you will not die, for Elohim know that in the day you eat of it, even your eyes will be opened, and you shall be as Elohim, knowing good and evil. And the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and it was pleasant to the eyes, and the tree was desirable to make one wise. And she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.*

I've gotten into many, many, many times the purpose of man in other sermons on this. I'm not going to break it apart today what happened. I just wanted to read that to show, **this is the fall of man**. And we can look there ... I've had many people over the years say, "Don, what do you think the world would be like if Adam and Eve never sinned—if they never ate that fruit and violated Yahweh's Word?" And I said, "It would be the same." Because they would've done it the day after that, or the day after that, or somebody else would've done it. You really think that all of our woes in this world come from Adam and Eve? No. They started it. They put us on a collision course. And I do think even the DNA from that point was probably changed. But at the end of the day, the bottom line is that because Yahweh loves us He gives us free will and as human beings we use that free will in an evil way. And that's that part of redemption. And that's why from this time, what do we see? You talk about, like I said, in Judaism they say that there's nothing in the Tanach that tells us of a need for a messiah? **Come on, right here! We're in Genesis 3 and already we see it.** And I'm going to show you now the very first messianic prophecy that's here. Drop down to verse 15, right?

Because now what happens? Yahweh comes and He says to the man, "What's going on? How did this happen?" And the man says, "Well, the woman you gave me, she gave me to eat." And then He says to Eve, "What's going on?" And she says, "Well the serpent that was here deceived me." And now Yahweh is going to bring a curse upon the man, the woman and the serpent. But look what He says to the serpent in verse 15. He says:

Genesis 3:15 *I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He will bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.*

So right here from the very beginning, this is the very first messianic prophecy. **Sin comes in**, and then what happens? There comes redemption from sin. And what happens right after Yahweh gives the curses out to each of them? Yahshua,

who I believe is there in the garden of Eden with Adam and Eve, He kills an animal and He *clothes* them. He clothes them. Now remember that word *to cover*, to cover them—*Kappar* like Yom Kippur, the day of covering. When you look in the first Testament there is no avenue for sin to be forgiven. There's only an avenue for it to be *covered* so that the covenant can go from year to year. But it was never removed. **It was only removed when redemption came.**

So, for all those years—for *4,000 years* from the time that this happened in the garden of Eden—for 4,000 years man was living from year to year. The covenant, Yahweh was allowing it to go, but the sins were never removed. They were never paid for. And logically think to yourself, if this whole thing of being nailed to the cross ... like all of a sudden we have a hundred Scriptures, or a hundred and fifty Scriptures that talk about how important the Torah is, right? And Their law's are eternal, it's the instruction is forever, then all of a sudden we're supposed to believe when Yahshua comes and then He dies, that all of a sudden there's no law anymore. There's no instruction any more. And if it was that easy, why would He even have to come and die? Why couldn't Yahweh just said, "Ok, I forgive everything. Everything's just forgiven." Why would He have to send His Son to pay this horrible penalty? *Because* that's not righteousness. That's not *justice*. When there's sin there has to be a penalty *paid* for that sin. And we know it, the same way if you go out in the rain and you don't wear a jacket and you get soaking wet and it's cold and you're breaking the health laws or you're eating wrong food, you're going to pay the penalty. You're going to get sick; your body's going to be broken down. And you can be forgiven for that sin, but there's still a penalty to be paid.

I've counseled people and baptized people that came into the convent that had AIDS or a terrible disease. And when they were baptized that disease didn't leave. The penalty for that sin was still there. Now the penalty spiritually was removed, they were forgiven upon baptism, but the physical penalty of that sin didn't remove automatically.

So here we see that that's why there had to be a messiah. That's why the need for the Messiah. Because as long as there's sin there has to be redemption. **And right here in Genesis 3:**

Genesis 3:15a *I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed;*

And this is the important part. This is why circumcision had to be there, up until the New Covenant came. We don't need circumcision now because that redemption is already there. But there had to be there because Adam failed, right? And he was cast out of the garden. So from here **there's going to be a seed of what? A seed of Adam. There's going to be a second Adam that's going to come and He's going to accomplish what the first Adam didn't come.** So there's going to be a seed of the world, right? And the whole system of commercialism and selfishness and all of Satan's sins—that's going to be the one seed. But then there's going to be the Seed of the woman.

And very interesting, because when you look at it, if you look at all of the genealogies in Scripture, the genealogies always go by the man. They don't go by the woman. A matter of fact, very, very rarely do ever even see a woman in a genealogy except if she's really, really important and it's usually in passing. And in a legal genealogy you will not even see it. And that's why in Luke 3, which is the genealogy of Mariam the mother of Yahshua, they put her father there, Eli, they don't put Mariam because a woman would not be in a legal genealogy. Yet here, in the very first messianic prophecy, He doesn't talk about the seed of the man, he talks about the Seed of the woman.

So, this Scripture alone doesn't say that there'll be a virgin birth, but at least it *alludes* to it. It alludes to the Messiah being born of a woman. But it is a prophecy. And like I said, I'm going to show you here in Genesis that this was a real prophecy. This was a prophecy that from Adam and Eve all the way going through to Noah they were looking for that Messiah. So it's not something new. It's not a *Christian thing*. Christianity has totally *violated* and *decimated* the whole idea of what the Messiah was really about. But it's not. This is something that from the very beginning there was a need for a messiah because there was sin that was there.

And look what He says when He says to him ***Genesis 3:15b*** *You will bruise his head, and he shall bruise your heel.* So what happens when you cut off the head? The head is the mechanism that makes something alive. So what it means is, Yahshua will totally decimate the serpent, the devil. But he *will* bruise His heel. And how did he do that? When Yahshua was crucified. Where did the nails that went through? They went through His foot, His heel, they nailed Him from the hands, or the wrists, and they nailed Him from the feet. So we know that this prophecy was fulfilled perfectly. But the

important part here is to understand now there has to be a lineage, okay? So, without a lineage ... and now this is the way that Satan is going to try to destroy the plan of Yahweh. Because now that the prophecy says, there's going to be a literal ... it's not going to be just a guy that comes, that joins Adam or is going to be like a mentor from Adam, no. A *literal* seed, a literal lineage coming from Adam has to be the second Adam. He has to literally come from his same human genes that he did.

So, if Satan can destroy that, *then* he destroys the plan of Yahweh. And that's why if you look throughout the Bible ... and like I said Yahweh works in patterns; find the pattern and it never changes ... what happens when we come up to Noah, right? What happens in Genesis 6? That Satan and the demons were trying to destroy the *lineage* of Yahweh—that's what He says there. But He finds Noah, a man of righteousness, a man that had a perfect lineage. And then we find with Moses, right? What happens? He tries to kill the babies because he wants to kill the *lineage*, he wants to kill the *seed*. And then when Yahshua is born, what does Herod do? Herod does the same thing.

So, lineage is important until the Messiah. Because until the Messiah if you could break the lineage, you break the prophecy. And that's why ... that's was the reason of circumcision. Circumcision was a **sign of that lineage**. Because every Israelite as we see ... because the lineage is going to go now from Adam to Noah; and then from Noah it's going to go to Abraham; and then from Abraham to Isaac, to Jacob; and then from Jacob it's going to go over to Judah, and then to Judah to a specific one, through David. So we see the lineage going and it's that same pure lineage that's going to come. But if it can be broken, then the plan of Yahweh is going to be thwarted that comes there.

So, also, let's go to Hebrews 2 and verse 14. Because, yes, to fulfill the prophecy that means the Messiah is going to *have* to be, number one, coming from heaven, right? He's going to come from Yahweh. But at the same rate He's got to be a human being. Because He's got to be a seed of Adam. How can that be? We know how it is. Because we know of the virgin birth that comes later. That's the way that Yahweh fulfills the prophecy both ends. But here's another reason why Yahshua came as a human being.

Hebrews 2 and verse 14. And we never want to forget this part of it. Hebrews 2 and verse 14. He says:

Hebrews 3:14-15 *For we have become partakers of Messiah, if truly from the beginning to the very end we hold steadfast to this true covenant; as is the saying, "Today, if you hear the echoes of His voice, do not harden your hearts to anger Him."*

I'm in chapter 3, I'm sorry. Hebrews 2 and verse 14.

Hebrews 2:14-16 *Since, then, the children have partaken of flesh and blood, in like manner He Himself **also** shared the same things, that through death He might cause to cease the one having the power of death, that is the devil; ... so He's coming in flesh and blood, just as Adam and Even did ... and He might release them, who, through fear of death, are all their lives subject to bondage. For He did not take on the likeness of cherubs, "but He takes on Him the seed of Abraham."*

Comment: Right? Remember, this is extremely important. If you want to understand the Messiah you have to understand seed and lineage and the importance it plays from Genesis 3 all the way down to Yahshua.

Hebrews 2:17-18 *Wherefore it is right, that He should in every manner resemble His brethren; that He might be merciful, and a high priest faithful in the things of Elohim, and might make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For since He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to help others who are also tempted.*

And this is where, wow, when you really think about this, right? We're human beings. We're not infinite, we're *finite*. From the day you're born you have so many days. It can be hundreds of days, it could be a few thousand days; but we're all going to die. That's evident. You're all born, there's a starting point and there's an end point.

And here it is we know so little. We only know matter, right? And now in this generation it's a generation where we're learning so much more, and technology is expanding, and we're able to get telescopes that can look through black holes,

and all of these things we're starting to understand a *little bit* more. And how even matter works, and how light works, and how time works. But even then, they're just concepts to our mind, we don't totally understand it.

How can we understand that Yahweh and Yahshua are eternal? How can we understand that they have no beginning and no end? And what were They doing for all this time? Before the creation of the earth and the solar system and the universe, what were they doing? What was going on? They don't tell us these things. But we know that They were eternal. We know that They have this eternal nature. And not just that ... that They're eternal ... but all They had to do was *speaking*—and it wasn't like They spoke and a table came up, or a chair came up—**They spoke and a universe came up! From Their words a universe just was created out of nothing.** Can you imagine? Sun and stars.

Do you know the power that the sun has? The power that that has. And like I said if we were just a couple of degrees closer to the sun we'd all be dead, we would all burn to death. If we were a couple of degrees *further* away we'd all *freeze* to death. And yet Yahshua and Yahweh have more *power* than the sun. They could stand in front of the sun. **They could actually blow on the sun and it can be gone!** I mean can you imagine this? They *created* it. The things that they created in this world, including human beings. Every one of us that is a miracle in itself, every baby born is a miracle. And the cells that we have, and the way that our hands work. And the way that we have a mind and we could think that we're not like an animal, we're not just instinctive—although we are instinctive to a certain degree—but that we can *think*, and that we can have *feelings*, and we could feel *hurt*, and we could feel *love*, and we could feel *mercy* and whatever ... we have free will that He allows us to *choose* to love Him and worship Him.

And here it is, this Creator, this One that created *everything*, every last human being, every last piece of matter, that He actually decided, and knew, that the only way that we could be redeemed was that He was going to have to put His eternal state on the side—leave His divinity there like it talks about in Philippians 2—and He was going to have to come to earth and go through nine months of a pregnancy of a woman, a virgin ... a woman that was never with a man ... and then He was going to have to go through being a baby, He was going to have to go through growing up, and He was going to have to go through *every single thing* that a human being does. But like it says here in Hebrews, it wasn't just to fulfill that prophecy. Because He could've fulfilled the prophecy by just coming as a human, right? Like an angel, there's angels that come as a man like with Sodom and Gomorrah. And they look like a man and they could just ... so Yahshua could've did that, He did it before. When He came to Manoah in the book of Judges, He looked like a man. He didn't ... and it was Yahshua there. But no, He *literally* gave that divinity, He gave His divinity up for that time and came as a human being and was 100% man.

He went through sickness; He went through suffering; He went through trial; He went through people that He befriended and He loved that violated that friendship and turned on Him; and He went through *every single thing* because He wants to know how we *feel*. That part of it. **He didn't have to do that for redemption, He did it for love.** Because when we get on our hands and knees and we pray, and we say, "Father," and we're praying to Him and saying, "I know you can't understand this, how I feel hurt today. You can't understand this, how I feel lonely today. You can't understand this, how I'm sick. Please, I've got this sore throat." But you know the Father says, "I may not be able to understand it, but My Son can." That He literally gave up everything.

And not just to feel that, not just like when He was building, as He was a builder, and He hit his finger with the hammer, that it would hurt, but ... and that He was sick; it talks about in Isaiah, how He was a man of sicknesses ... so He wanted to know how we feel, so when we're praying and ask for sickness He knows exactly what we're going through. But He actually even allowed Himself to be *humiliated*. To be totally ... **this is the Creator of everything, can you imagine? With His breath ... even when He was on this earth the wind stopped. He could command the rain, He could command the winds, He could command everything. I mean He was, He was Elohim the Son, the Creator of the world in a human body** and He allowed Himself to be totally *humiliated*. He allowed Himself to be mocked. He allowed Himself, not just to die for those sins, but to be on that tree and **to be spit upon, to be thrown rocks out**, to be, "Yea, come on, if You're the Messiah, why don't You come down from there?" And yet He put through *all that* humiliation because He loves us.

And sometimes when we're looking at this ... this is why it's so much more than just the prophecies that we're going to see in these next few weeks. It's the fact of, the relationship that He wants with us. **That He did that because He wants a relationship with each and every human being He created and how can He have that relationship if He doesn't have**

any, not just sympathy, but empathy? If He doesn't know what we're feeling, that when we come to Him and we're praying heart felt, that He could say, "I know. I've been there. I know exactly what you're feeling, I know what you're going through, and I'm there for you." And this is the love that He had for us. And this is what He wants more than anything. He wants a relationship.

And, you know something, there's only one true thing in this world, and that's Yahweh. And the fact that even He loved us enough He gave us His **word**, right? I mean we have pages and pages and pages. Our Bible, every Bible is a little different, our Bible is 1500 and almost 70 pages, right? **It's not one little scroll that was found that talked about this man Yahshua, and He lived for a few years, and He did this and we're going to believe it, right?** And that's the amazing part, Abraham believed without any of that. There was no Torah, there was no New Testament, there was no Brit Chadasha. And He believed just because Yahweh said it.

But He has given us everything. He has given us those four good news messages that **we literally can know Him. And it's not just** about the basic thing of salvation being a sinner. He gave us all little *details* of His life. He showed us when He was happy; He showed us when He was sad; He showed us when He was born; He showed us when He died; He showed us His resurrection; and He showed us all the little things of His life. He told us all the little details when He was out with the twelve. There's **nothing** that was kept untold from us. And that's why Luke said, *kings and prophets would have loved to see what we know and didn't.*

And you know how many thousands of years before the Messiah came, from Genesis 3, that this is what these people **were hoping for. This is what they're looking for. Adam and Even were looking for a messiah going all the way back then** and they didn't know what we know today.

The prophet Isaiah, that a lot of what we're going to go over in these messages here come from Isaiah. Do you know king David never met Isaiah? Isaiah lived around the year 740, king David was in the year 1000. King David never saw one prophecy in Isaiah. And the whole book is prophecies about *him*. They're prophecies about David and they're prophecies about the son of David who was Yahshua. How blessed we are. How blessed we are. And here we are the last generation, that in just ... like I said, year goes to year, and year goes to year, and here it is in just a few short tiny circles of that sun that go around the earth, every revolution is one biblical year, from Aviv to Aviv, in just a few short revelations ... revolutions of that sun, Yahshua is going to be here. His Kingdom is going to be here. And He's giving us the opportunity *now* to be part of what He's doing in these end times. And we have to get that. We have to get that personal relationship. We have to ... *every day* of our life we should be striving.

What can keep us from reading His words everyday? That He's blessed us with this. And before the printing press even when the words were there, it was only in a synagogue. It was only in ... everyone didn't have their own copy of the Bible. And I *do* believe that the Hebrew Roots Bible ... which I think is probably the closest translation, in English anyway, that we have today ... is also a part of prophecy of restoring all things. Because I know, like I said, I know for twenty-five years as a believer I didn't have this Bible, and I had to read from a King James, and I had to read from other Bibles that weren't so good. And I know that Yahweh has restored—it's not perfect—but He's restored it *for* us. And this is the love that He has for us. The very love that He has for us.

Yahshua also came to reveal The Father. And through Him, and His life, to give us a living example how to live on every aspect of life. So, besides just doing this so *He* understands *us*, He lived a perfect life so *we* understand *Him*. **He gave us the example in all things.** See, and in the Tanach we had the letter, but we didn't have the Spirit, and the Spirit of Yahweh wasn't in the people. So, it wasn't that easy to **know, to understand it.** But Yahshua came to *reveal* it; Yahshua came to open it up and tell us, "Well, the Torah says: *Thou shalt not murder.* I say, if you even get angry with your brother." He came to show us how to love our neighbor as ourself; and even to love our enemy.

I mean, there's things in that book that I tell you ... I talk to Jewish people who are not believers in Yahshua, and when they read the Good News messages, they are amazed. They're amazed at His wisdom; they're amazed at those words; they're amazed how they touch the heart. And many Jewish people that did come to faith in Yahshua ... that's the way they came to faith. Because the Jewish people usually brought up that it's taboo. Don't even look at the new Testament,

it's an evil book. And then they read it and they say, "The book is all Jewish! It's all Israelite. Everything in there is good." But Yahshua came to reveal the Father, which they didn't know before.

John 17. John the 17th chapter. John 17. Because, the Father has never been to earth. No one has *seen* the Father at any time, right? What do we know about Yahweh the Father? Like I said, He's a ... again, He's a spirit. What is a *spirit*? What is an eternal spirit? **We don't know!** We're not spirit; you can't see spirit. We can't understand what Yahweh *is*, **His greatness**. But yet, Yahshua came to earth to reveal that to us, and now we do understand, even in our finite minds, we understand to a degree.

So this was another thing, He came to pay the penalty of our sins; He came to live the way we do, to understand what we're going through so He can be that great High Priest and Savior for us; and He came to reveal the Father. That we would be able to have a relationship now with Yahweh. And that's why when we pray, who do we pray to? We pray to Yahweh the Father, but we pray *through* the Name of His Son. Because through His shed blood is what gives us access to that throne.

John 17:6 though 8, look what He says:

John 17:6-7 *I revealed Your name to the men whom You gave to Me out of the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to Me; and they kept Your Word. Now they have known that **everything** that You have given to Me I have given to them and they received them ... drop down to verse 11.*

John 17:11-20 *And no longer am I in the world, yet these are in the world; and I come to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, those whom You gave to Me, that they may be echad (united) as We are echad (united). While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name; I guarded those whom You gave to Me, and not one of them was lost, except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. And now I come to You, and I speak these things in the world, that they may have joy being fulfilled in them. I have given them Your Word, and the world hated them because they are not of the world, as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You take them from the world, but that You keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in Your truth; Your Word is truth. As You have sent Me into the world, I also send them into the world, and I fear for their sakes. I sanctify myself so that they may also be sanctified by truth. And I do not pray concerning these only, but also concerning those who will believe in Me through their word;*

And can you imagine? Yahshua taught the apostles, laid hands on them, and they taught others, and taught others, and taught others, and here we are in a 2,000 year unbroken chain of succession. And we're only here because of their faithfulness.

John 17:21-23 *that all may be echad (united) as You are in Me Father and I in You, that they also may be echad in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And I have given them the glory which You have given to Me, that they may be echad, as We are echad. I in them, and You in Me, that they may be perfected in one; and that the world may know that You sent Me and loved them, even as You loved Me.*

Wow. So this is what it is. Yahshua *came* that we could be one with the Father, that we could have this relationship that wasn't there before. And that's what was there from the garden of Eden. That was the whole *purpose* of man; to have this unity with Yahweh, this unified relationship that was taken away and that He gives us.

And, like I said, He gives us also, not only His *Word* that gives us that relationship—and that's why we need to be in this Word every day of our life. If you're feeling depressed, if you're feeling down, if you're feeling anything, **get in the Word of Yahweh**. Get in the Word of Yahweh. **Thank** Him for the things He's doing ... and it's impossible because Yahshua didn't come to make us depressed. He said, "I came to give life and give it more abundantly." And when your life is in His life, and His life is in your life, and you are echad with Him, you're never going to be. There's times where sad things happen, granted. There's sickness, there's sorrow, there's death, and there's a time to mourn, and there's a time to be happy. But your life shouldn't be like that. The life of a believer, if we're sanctified from the world, we should be the happiest people in the world. Because Yahweh is sparing us from that.

And you know what else He did for us? Here it is, right, if you look around the world, there's archaeology everywhere in the world; but little things. Show me a nation that you can go in and just find **city, after city, after city** of ancient things. And yet Israel, this tiny little land, about the size of New Jersey, where land is sparse, the whole land is one big archaeological mound. That's all it is. **Everywhere you look is that.**

And could you *imagine* that, not only did He preserve Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, and **now in these ent times we even have it in the original Aramaic**, that we have it in; that we could understand it. But He preserved these Biblical places that the believers in the end time ... and that's why I say it's the honor of my life that He put me there as the leader from Jerusalem and that I've been able to host the feast for the last sixteen years or so now. And I love it; I love it. Someone asked me one time, "Don't you ever get tired of going to the same places?" I'm like, "Are you kidding? I can go there ten thousand times ten thousand times." I *thank* the brethren for being there, because every time I can go to a Biblical place my spirit comes alive. **Because we're walking in the very footsteps of Yahshua. We're walking on the very stones He walked on; we're sitting in a synagogue that Yahshua sat in. Can you imagine? To sit where He sat, to understand the way He understood, and to walk in His very footsteps through the land of Israel.**

To take a boat ride on the sea of Galilee. And the very boat that they find that's 2,000 years old that Peter and Andrew abandoned when Yahshua says, "Leave everything and come follow Me." And 2,000 years later, just a few years ago ... **our neighbor**—our neighbor where we're living was the one who found that boat and came to faith through it. Amazing story. Can you imagine? There is no other 2,000 year old wooden fishing boat in the world. And they only find it *at that time*; they only find it as Yahweh is restoring all things; they only *find* it as He's renewing all these. And what an amazing thing that He gives us opportunity.

And that's why I say not everybody that are believers ... most of our brethren are third world brethren ... will get to Israel before Messiah comes, but it sure should be your desire. It should be every believers desire to be there **because that's where it comes alive**. That's where Yahshua lived, that's where His character, that's where every miracle that He did, and that's where He gave His life to pay the penalty for our sins that they come there. Yahshua also gave us His Spirit so that we can have His very mind and character and be one with Him. What a gift that was, right?

Let's go back to Genesis 4 now, because I really ... I needed as we get into this ... and like I said it'll be at least three parts, maybe more ... but I want to set the stage what this is really about. It's *not* just about picking out Hebrew words and coming to the meeting ... meaning and showing that only Yahshua was the only One ... there's three hundred messianic prophecies and no other person in the history of mankind fulfilled every prophecy but Him, from the Tanach. But to show what that means in our life.

And like I said, that's why I realized years ago if someone doesn't see the basic tenant that our human nature is evil and we're *not* good ... that's what most people think. That they're basically, humans are good, but we do bad things. No, that we're **evil**, and we're evil to the core, and the only thing that can change that evilness is by surrendering to Yahweh, giving up that human nature that we had, and letting His Spirit fill us up once the human nature is gone. That's it.

If someone doesn't see that then there's no where else to go. It doesn't matter how good I know the Bible, it doesn't matter what Scriptures I can tell them, if they don't have this heart of repentance and understand their nature they'll never come to true faith. And they'll *never* have the appreciation that they should for what our Savior Yahshua did or us. Each and every one of us ... and this is why I always say, and never, ever forget it, if every single human being that ever lived was righteous, and you were the only sinner, the plan would have stayed the same. The plan would have stayed the same. That He loves each of us the same, and would have died, and He did die, for each of us if we take it.

So, like I said, Genesis 3:15, the first messianic prophecy that there's going to be a Seed. So, what happens in Genesis 4 when Adam and Eve have their first child? Let's read it. Genesis 4 and verse 1.

Genesis 4:1 *And the man knew his wife Eve. And she conceived and bore Cain, and said, I have gotten a man, YAHWEH.*

Comment: Now most translations add in there, *I have gotten a man with the help of Yahweh; I have gotten a man with this of ...* No, if you look in the original Hebrew literally it says, *The man knew his wife Eve.* Right? So all this other nonsense about other theories of who's child Cain was, is nonsense. Because it's very clear Adam and Eve are having relations as a husband and wife would and she conceives. Adam and Eve are the parents, and who does she bore? **Cain**, and says, *I have gotten a man, Yahweh.*

Because she's thinking this is the promised messiah. Look, Genesis 3:15, what do we read there? There's going to be enmity between the two seeds. There's going to be a seed of the devil there's going to be a Seed of Yahweh ... from the man. And here it is, they're *thinking* that Cain is that seed. And that's why they call him *Kayin*, why? Because *I have gotten*, do you know what that words is in Hebrew? That word is *Kaniti*. Which means, to redeem, to purchase, to buy. That's what that word literally means. And the word, *Kayin*, comes from the same root. So, he is the *restorer*; he's the *repairer*. They're thinking *Kayin is the messiah*. And then look at the next verse.

Genesis 4:2a *And she continued to bear his brother Abel.*

Seems that they were twins. And why do they call him Abel—*Havel*? What does that mean? It means vanity; nothingness. So, names mean so much in Scripture. And that's why, for people to say Yahweh's name doesn't ... it doesn't matter what you call Him, man that is such a Greek mindset I can't even tell you. Even worse than a Greek mindset, I don't know what kind of mindset that could be. Because *every single name*, as we're going to see here in a couple minutes, means *something*. You're named for what you are, what you do.

And that's why when Yahweh says they are going to have this messiah, right? This *Seed* of the women is going to come, and he's born, and they call him *Kayin* ... he is the redeemer; he's the one that's going to restore it. And all of a sudden another one pops out, the brother, and they're thinking, **"No, it's not two seeds, it's one seed."** So, they call him *Havel*, which means nothingness, vanity.

And it's very interesting, because the word seed ... the word in Hebrew is *Zarah*. It is always singular. That word is never plural. But, it can be an absolute singular, like when it's talking about the Messiah one person; or it can be a singular like in the nation of Israel, collective singular, like a group.

But it never is plural. So, that's why when Yahweh said there's going to be a *Seed*, He's talking about one person. He's not talking about a group there, He's talking about one person. And that's why when *Kayin* is born, that's what they call him. He's the redeemer; he's the restorer. But then *Havel* is born ... they don't need him. **"We already got one, we don't need him."** That's what's here.

Now, interesting, just to prove my point, in Genesis 5, if you go over one more chapter it talks about:

Genesis 5:1a *This is the book of generations of Adam in the day that Elohim created mankind,*

So, here's the generations of Adam now, right? And what do we say? Every legal genealogy is only with the men, it's not with the woman. And just to prove the point to you, that from Adam and Eve, they were looking for Messiah from the very beginning, I want to show you the names of the first *ten* people in this genealogy, right? The first ten names in the genealogy are, Adam, Seth, Enos, Cainan, Mahalaleel, Jared, Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech and Noah. Now, let me tell you what each name means. Like we said, every name in Hebrew has meaning, every name has a point.

Adam means *man*; right, *Adom* means man. Seth means *appointed*. Enos means *mortal*. Cainan means *sorrow*. Mahalaleel means *the blessed Elohim*. Jared means *shall come down*. Enoch means *teaching*. Methuselah means *His death shall bring*. Lamech means something that's *longed after* or *despairing*. And Noah means *rest* or *comfort*.

Ok, so very interesting if you put this genealogy in exactly the way it's listed in Genesis 5, and now we read the *meaning* of all the names, here's exactly what it says: *Man is appointed mortal sorrow, but the blessed Elohim shall come down, teaching that His death shall bring the longed after rest.* I'll read it one more time. *Man is appointed mortal sorrow, but the blessed Elohim shall come down, teaching that His death shall bring the longed after rest.*

So, **wow!** How did the Rabbis ever miss this? The *whole* plan of salvation is right there in the first ten names of the genealogy in Genesis 5. The whole plan of salvation is there. And that's why I say, the importance of it, the importance of the *seed*, the importance of the genealogy of how they go and the importance of it being there.

And remember Adam lived 930 years, right? Do you know that Adam died when Lamech was 56 years old? So which means Adam was alive almost to the time of Noah. And *every single one* that was born there, was born with that. And that's why when Noah is born that his father Lamech is *thinking* that *he* is the rest, he's the comfort, he's the messiah. And we know that Noah wasn't the messiah, he played an important part, but he wasn't the messiah. But he was an important figure that was there.

So, let's continue now over here, and let's go next to Genesis 22. Because now we see what? Noah was perfect in all his generations like it said in Genesis 6 ... Noah is perfect in all his generations ... and that's why he's the *seed*; that seed has to continue. And that's why, like I said, in Genesis 6 we see that Satan is trying to corrupt the seed to corrupt the plan of Yahweh; it doesn't work.

But in Genesis 22 Yahweh finds now Abraham. Who, again, is from the seed of Noah. He's a descendant from Noah in that pure generation, right? And that's why the circumcision is there so that we would know from generation to generation, which is the promised seed.

In Genesis 22 and verse 16 Yahweh says to Abraham:

Genesis 22:16-18 *And He said, I have sworn by Myself, declares YAHWEH, that on account of this thing you have done, and have not withheld your son, your only son, that blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your **seed** ... zerah ... as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is on the lip of the sea. And your Seed shall possess the gate of His enemies. **And in your Seed** shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have listened to My voice.*

Wow. So, why is Abraham picked to be the one to carry on this plan of Yahweh through his seed? Because, *you have not withheld your son, your only son*. And that was the thing. The same way that Yahweh did not withhold His only Son, Abraham didn't withhold *his* only son. And Abraham qualified; and says in Genesis 26:5 because Abraham kept the Torah and the commandments and the judgments that he qualified before Yahweh to be part of that seed.

Now, over here, is He talking over here when He says, *and in your Seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed*, is He talking about the seed of Israel or is He talking about one particular Seed? Well, let Scripture interpret Scripture. Let's go to Galatians 3 and verse 16. Because like we said the word *seed*, is always singular. But it can be an absolute singular as a person or it could be a collective singular as a group.

So when we go to Galatians 3:16 what does He say?

Galatians 3:16 *Now the promises which were made to Abraham and to his **seed** as a covenant. ... we just read it in Genesis 22 ... He did not say, "To your descendants," as many but, "your descendants," as One, that is Messiah.*

So very clearly we see that Paul is telling us that in Genesis 22 this is *not* to the nation that many times Rabbis will say. It's to *One* it's talking about. Why? Because why is Abraham's seed going to be blessed? And He says, ***And in your Seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.*** Not even king David was promised to be king over all the earth. King David was promised to be king in Israel ... he has an eternal dynasty that's there; when He returns we know from the tabernacle of David that the throne is going to be built there ... but David was never promised the nations. He was promised a nation. He was promised to be king of Israel. The *Messiah* is promised to be King of all the earth—King of the nations.

So that's why it's singular. *In your **Seed** shall all the nations be blessed.* Because we know that when Messiah returns and Israel will be back on their land ... Judah is already there; we're in the process now that Yahweh is restoring the Ephraimite tribes. We're going to talk a lot more about that in the coming months also because we're in that time period

now that this restoration of the tribes is starting ... but we see that when Yahshua returns *all* the nations in the earth are going to be blessed, why? Because they're all going to be part of this covenant. Right now the covenant is only through one family, through the family of Israel. Anybody on the earth can join that covenant, it's not inclusive to only Israelites, you can be grafted in if you're from the nations, but it's still only to one family right now. But in the millennium there'll be promises to every single one.

And **Matthew 24:14** *And this good news of the Kingdom will be published in all the earth for a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.*

Wow. So, here it is, Yahshua is actually allowing us, He's blessing us, to actually be **fulfilling this prophecy** that comes in Genesis 22—I mean ... Genesis ... yea, Genesis 22—that the Messiah will be a blessing. His Seed will be a blessing to all nations. **And we are doing that for Him. We are being that blessing by bringing this good news message to the nations.**

At Sukkot every year we have about 25 nations, every year at Sukkot in Jerusalem that represent. Today there'll be people from all over the world that will be watching this with us. Just recently when we had our new congregation join us in Papua New Guinea and they said this good news will go to the farthest end, right? To all nations. Papua New Guinea is the furthest nation on earth. And now, this is happening; it's happening all over the world. We have more than 200 nations and territories every month who come to our website and millions of people every year now, getting this good news message.

And we're not the only ones, we're not exclusive. Yahweh has other administrations, He has other sacred name congregations that are also doing good works. They're doing something different. But our work is the work he has from Jerusalem. Our work is the work He has from Israel; and the Torah will go forth from Zion, the Word of Yahweh from Jerusalem.

So, what a blessing it is to be part of this restoration that He's doing in the Holy Land. I love it; being part of archaeology and *seeing* some of these things. **The tabernacle of David, can you imagine?** To see that with my eyes and to be there, and to know what it means. Wow, what a great time we're living in.

So we are ambassadors to fulfill this. And that's why the Matthew 24—it's not just a slogan, it's not just a saying—we are **blessed** that we are part of this end time prophecy of fulfillment.

Micah 5:2. Because now we see, right? The seed of the woman, Adam and Eve, and then the seed from there went to Noah; and then the seed from there to Abraham. And we know from Abraham it went on to Isaac, and Yakov. But now Yakov had twelve sons; and of those twelve sons, *one of them* would be the continued seed where the Messiah would come from. We know from Scripture you have the birthright, and you have the scepter. And the birthright promise went to Joseph; Joseph had the birthright. But *Judah* had the scepter; Judah had the kingship, right?

So, here we see in Micah 5:2 it's going to tell us where the seed is going to go to next.

Micah 5:2a *And you, Bethlehem Ephratah, ... Ephratah means double blessing; blessed. You of double blessing ... You Bethlehem ...*

Comment: Bethlehem, house of bread, right? Yahshua is the Bread of Life. And who lived in Bethlehem? King David. *Just* a couple of years ago for the *first time* in archaeology they actually found a scarab, a stone that had in it, Bethlehem, from the time of king David in Paleo Hebrew. That had the name Bethlehem and about the king collecting taxes from Bethlehem, where David's from. So, He says:

Micah 5:2 *You, Bethlehem Ephratah, being least among the thousands of Judah, out of you He shall come forth to Me to become One ruling in Israel; and His goings forth have been from of old, from the days of eternity.*

Wow, what an unbelievable messianic Scripture this is. Because number one, it tells us *where* the Messiah will be born, *Bethlehem*, right? The *tribe* He will come out of, *Judah*. And His days are from the days of eternity. The word in Hebrew,

H'Olam, it is the strongest wording that you can ever use in Hebrew to mean no beginning and no end. So I don't know how anybody could just read this one Scripture and think that the Messiah did not pre-exist. Because that's what it says here, its the strongest wording you can get that He had no beginning and no end. And I mean we have many ... I just went over a couple months ago about *Is Yahshua Elohim?* But many, many Scriptures that show His eternal existence that's there. But here we have *one* little verse tells us the town He'll be in, the tribe He's from and His eternal existence.

Let's go to Genesis 49—we'll see the same thing. Genesis 49, a blessing to the tribes by Jacob before he dies. And look what he says to Judah. Genesis 49 and verse 8.

Genesis 49:8-10 *Judah, may your brothers praise you, your hand be on the neck of your enemies. May the sons of your father bow themselves to you. Judah is a lion's whelp. ... Right? Judah is a lion's whelp. And what is the lion of Judah? That's the sign of the Messiah; the lion of Judah ... My son, you have risen up from the prey; he stoops, he crouches like a lion; and like a lioness, who can rouse him? The scepter ... kingship ... The scepter shall **not** depart from Judah, nor the lawmaker from between his feet, ... the Torah ... until He comes to whom it belongs (Shiloh), and the obedience of the people to him.*

Very interesting that word *from between his feet* in Hebrew is *regal* and the brightest star in the sky is Regulus. It comes from the same root word. And where is the star Regulus? It's between the feet of the lion; the constellation of the lion **which was the sign when Yahshua was born**. That was the sign of ... a part of the star of Bethlehem that was there.

So very interesting that Judah is going to be blessed that they're going to bring this Torah along until ... to make sure that ... because if there's no Torah then how would you have the prophecies of the Messiah? But we see that *Judah*, by this prophecy, will be *reigning* nation until the Messiah comes. So the lineage has to be there. Remember, without the lineage, without the seed, there's no Messiah. And, at 70AD when the Temple was destroyed, all lineages were destroyed. So, today, we could know someone's Jewish, right? You could do DNA. But you can't know if he's from David or not. David is only *one* tribe of Judah. And the Messiah has to come from the tribe of David; not just being a Jew as it gets narrower and narrower.

So, after 70AD it's impossible for anybody to know their lineage—not down to that anyway. You might be able to know that you're a Levite; you might be able to know that you're a Jew; but you *can't* know ... there's no written lineage coming from David to Solomon to this one, to this one, or Nathan like we see in **Matthew 1**, or we see in **Luke 3** ... which shows the Messiah had to come before 70AD. He would've had to come there.

But very interesting they use a word here, *shiloh*, *until He comes to whom it belongs; shiloh*. The only time in the Bible the Messiah is called *Shiloh*. And it literally ... it's actually a possessive pronoun more than a personal name. Because it literally means, *until He comes to whom it belongs* ... is the English translation of *Shiloh*.

But what's very interesting about that is, is that the amniotic sack that a fetus is formed in, in Hebrew that word is *shilyah*. And it comes from the same root as *shiloh*. So, it's like a play on words here that Yahweh is using, that the Messiah, *although* He is going to be kingly and heavenly, He's going to be born in a *shilyah*. The *Shiloh* will come in a *shilyah*. That's why I say, that it's really neat to see in Hebrew the play on words there, like we saw with *Kayin* and *Kanati*. It's there, and you have to understand that and understand what names mean, the importance of names, to really understand the prophecies.

But that's why they never understood it. Because, how on earth ... and we'll get into this in the next one of the Messiah in like **Isaiah 9**, *unto us a child is born and unto us a Son is given*. And yet they're saying that He's a King, and He's eternal, and He's called *The Mighty El*. **How can a child that's being born from a woman be called *Mighty El*?** It makes no sense until you understand the fulfillment of the prophecy. It makes no sense until you understand about the virgin birth.

And I'll tell you something, we're going to be going there next, you could start going to Isaiah 7. But, there is no bigger controversial prophecy, messianic prophecy, in Israel today, or maybe even in the world than the virgin birth. A matter of fact, there are even, believe it or not, there's even many Christians who stopped believing in the virgin birth.

And when you come to Israel and you deal with rabbi's and you ... you could understand it. Because face it, if you grew up not believing in Messiah, and somebody is coming to you and telling you about Yahshua, and now they're telling you that your Elohim is going to impregnate a woman, and she's going to have a baby and He's going to be the Messiah. There's nothing that could sound more pagan than that. And a matter of fact **it is pagan**. There's pagan ... you can go to a lot of pagan mythology and this is exactly what you see. You see these Greek gods, and these other gods that are impregnating women, and you're coming out with all of these ... but that's not what the prophecy says. There's never no relations between Elohim the Father and Mariam the mother. It's just that Yahweh is putting His Spirit and creating this virgin birth. Because it wouldn't be a virgin birth if there was a relationship there, it doesn't matter who it's with. If there's a relationship it's not a virgin. But she's a virgin birth. She's having a child when she's never had any kind of relations what so ever.

So, although I could understand *why* this ... the idea of it would sound uneasy to maybe rabbi's and Jewish people, they really have to understand what the concept is. The concept is ... just like with Isaac, right? When Abraham was ready to kill Isaac and Yahweh said, "Don't lay your hand on that child." Right? And where did he go? He went to mount *Moriyah*. Which means what? *Yahweh will see to it; Yahweh will provide*.

And that's all He's saying here. That yes, there's got to be a seed of Adam. There's got to be a physical seed of that woman and the seed of Adam, but, there also ... if the second Adam is going to succeed where the first Adam failed, Yahweh the Son, not Yahweh the Father, but Yahweh the Son, the other co-eternal being has got to leave His divinity to the side and He's got to come to earth because that's the only way it's going to work. Because as humans **we can't do it for ourselves. We never can**. And that's why Yahshua comes to earth in the woman's body without any relations, and that's why she's a virgin, and that's the miracle of it as we're going to see here.

But when we go to chapter 7 of Isaiah; and when I read it at first, maybe it might seem like, yea, well where is the miracle? But let's start going through it. Isaiah chapter 7.

Isaiah 7:1-2 *And it happened in the days of Ahaz: ... Ahaz the king ... the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up to Jerusalem to war against it, but were not able to do battle against it. And the house of **David** was told, ... not just the king ... **the house of David was told**, saying, Syria is allied with Ephraim, ... so **Ephraim now is fighting with Syria against Judah** and the house of David; important that he uses that term here ... *and his heart and the heart of the people shook, as the trees of the forest shake from the wind.**

Comment: So now Yahweh's got to get involved. Now, why does Yahweh have to get involved, right? Remember, Ephraim ... and part of the prophecy is going to be that in 65 years Ephraim will not even be a nation anymore. So, Yahweh allowed Ephraim to go in captivity, why couldn't He allow Judah to go into captivity? **Because there's a prophecy to the house of David. There's a prophecy that there will not be someone lacking to sit on the throne of him, right? To be there until the prophecy is fulfilled, until the Messiah comes, that if Judah went into captivity here, Satan would win.** There'd be no seed anymore. The seed would be gone.

So, now Yahweh's got to intervene. Not because of Judah, because Ahaz is an evil king, Judah is doing all kinds of sins. But Yahweh is intervening because of the house of David. Yahweh's intervening because He gave His word that, "No way. This is going to go on at least until My Son is born. And then after that, if it's got to ... Judah's got to go into captivity so be it." But it's not going to be until the Messiah comes because that's what the prophecy says.

So now Yahweh says to Isaiah:

Isaiah 7:3a *Go and meet Ahaz, you and your son Shear-Jashub,*

Comment: Now this is Isaiah's son, right? What does that name mean? That name means *a remnant will return*. So his son's ... that's why he's telling his ... to bring his son. Because his son's name literally means, *a remnant will return*, and that's what the prophecy is. The prophecy is always redemption, right? That's what messianic means. That's what the Messiah is coming to do; to redeem.

Isaiah 7:3b-6 *at the end of the conduit of the upper pool, to the highway of the Fuller's Field. And say to him, Be on guard and be calm. Do not fear nor timid of heart because of the two tails of these smoking firebrands, because of the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria, and of the son of Remaliah. Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah have plotted evil against you, saying, Let us go up against Judah and make her to dread, and break her for ourselves, and set a king in her midst, the son of Tabeal.*

Comment: So now that's what they're saying. They're going to overtake Judah, they're going to get rid of all the Jews, and they're going to put their own king there. And it's very interesting because that word *Tabeal*, it means, *good for El*. But if you change the vowel pointing, it means, *good for nothing*. So it's another play on words there. That Yahweh is saying, "Okay, this guy who's supposed to be good for El, you're going to bring him there to **thwart My plan** for the seed of David? He's going to be good for nothing."

Isaiah 7:7-8 *So says Adonai YAHWEH, It shall not rise, it shall not happen. ... He can't let it happen. It would go against His word ... For the head of Syria is Damascus, the head of Damascus is Rezin; and within sixty-five years Ephraim shall be broken from being a people.*

Comment: So this was part of Ephraim going into captivity. This is somewhere around 800BC. And we know Ephraim from 734-718 they *did* stop from being a nation.

Isaiah 7:9-12 *And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If you will not believe, surely you will not be established. And YAHWEH spoke again to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign from YAHWEH your Elohim; make deep the request, or make it high above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, nor will I tempt YAHWEH.*

Comment: So now Yahweh's saying, "Go ahead. I'm going to stop it. You ask Me for any sign. Because I'm going to *prove* to you that Judah will be a nation until the Messiah comes." So then Ahaz is afraid to ask for a sign. So Yahweh says, "Okay, you don't want a sign? I'm going to give you a sign. I'm going to give you a sign to prove that Judah will be a nation until the Messiah comes."

Isaiah 7:13-17 *And He said, Hear now, O house of David, is it too little that you weary men, but will you also weary my Elohim? So, YAHWEH Himself will give you a sign: Behold! The virgin will conceive and will bear forth a son; and she will call His name ImmanuEl. He will eat curds and honey until He knows to refuse the evil and choose good. For before the boy shall know to refuse evil and choose good, the land that you hate will be forsaken before both her kings, YAHWEH shall bring the king of Assyria on you, and on your people, and on your father's house, days which have not come since the days Ephraim turned aside from Judah.*

So, let me just say right up front, *in English* this is confusing. Because, yes ... not the part of the Messianic prophecy about the virgin. Okay, that's pretty clear. But why does He say, "*before the boy knows to refuse evil and choose good, the land that you hate will be forsaken by both her kings, and Yahweh will bring the king ...*"? That didn't happen when Yahshua was on earth.

So, you could see it's a little bit confusing, in the English not in the Hebrew. And where the confusing part comes in, you have to understand when it comes to prophecy that, yes, there are books ... when we get to Isaiah from Isaiah 40 to Isaiah 66, for almost 26 books is almost completely prophetic. Just about *all* of it is end time prophetic things. Most of the book of Zechariah is prophetic. But most prophecies are not like that. Most prophecies are as you're reading the history of something ... it's called a prophetic insert ... Yahweh throws in an insert of a prophecy in there. And that's the way most of the prophecy is. Like we read in Micah. We just read Micah 5:2 about the Messiah. Nothing else in there is messianic and then all of a sudden he comes in where the Messiah is going to be born. It's a messianic *insert*.

Now, in English, why does it make it difficult to understand it? Because an insert ... I mean in English when you use the word *you* what does that mean? If I say, "*You, can you come here?*" Do I mean one person, or do I mean a group? See in English the word *you* can be plural or singular. In Hebrew it's not like that. In Hebrew the word *you* is singular or plural you know.

So now let me show you ... because the insert is in verses 13 and 14. I'm not going to go over the whole story again, because we know it, right? Syria is going to attack Judah; Ephraim is helping them, and they want to thwart the plan of Yahweh. **If Yahweh allows this and there's no more Judah, the Messiah won't come** and Satan wins. So, what does Yahweh do? Yahweh says He's going to show a sign. So let's start in verse 9.

Isaiah 7:9 *The head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If **you** ... singular—He's talking to Ahaz ... will not believe, surely you will not be established.*

Comment: So Ahaz is not believing it. And that's why Ahaz is going to be taken out from there. And then Yahweh speaks to Ahaz again. And He says:

Isaiah 7:11-12 *Ask a sign from YAHWEH **your** Elohim; ... singular—He's talking to Ahaz ... make it a deep request, make it high and above. But Ahaz says, I will not tempt YAHWEH ... now comes the prophetic insert.*

Isaiah 7:13- 14a *And He said, Hear now, O house of **David**, ... so now this is to all the house of David; to Judah ... is it too little that **you** ... plural ... weary men, but will **you** ... plural ... weary my Elohim? So YAHWEH Himself will give **you** ... plural ... a sign: **Behold!***

Comment: Now very interesting. Whenever you see that word behold—*Hineh* in Hebrew—whenever that word is there before the perfect article ... Behold! **The virgin—H'Almah** ... it is always something that's future. So it *can't* be talking about there. Just by the simple rules of grammar of Hebrew. So by the way He says, He's talking now plural.

Isaiah 13b-14 *Is it too little that you weary, but will **you** weary ... plural ... YAHWEH will give **you** ... plural ... a sign. ... Hineh! HaAlmah ... Behold! The virgin ... which literally means it's something in the future ... will conceive and bring forth a son; and she will call His name ImmanuEl ... Elohim is with us. Now, verse 15 you're back to who? You're back to Ahaz.*

Isaiah 7:15a *He shall eat curds and honey until He ...*

This is talking about who? This is talking about the boy that's coming. This is talking about Isaiah's son. So, now you're back to the attack that's coming, which He will allow the attack from Assyria, but it's not going to destroy the nation. So if you don't understand the prophetic insert you'll never understand the prophecy. And in Hebrew it makes much more sense than in the English, but that's why we have a study Bible to share that with you.

So, now the other thing is, the other controversy is, "Well, if Yahweh really meant this to be a virgin, then He would have used the word *petulah* and He wouldn't have used the word *almah*." Which is absolutely false. It's absolutely false with that, because if you look in Scripture ... try to find my paper here ... if you look in Scripture, there are three words that could be used here. One is *naharah*, which is a damsel. That can mean a virgin or a non-virgin; it can mean a widow or a virgin. The second is, *petulah*, which many people say should be here. But yet if you look in **Joel 1:8** ... we're not going to go there ... **Joel 1:8** uses *petulah* and it's a reference to a widow. It's not in reference to a virgin. A woman, a young damsel that's never been with a man. Yet, *almah*, is used one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, I don't have time to go through all the Scriptures, but every time the word, *almah*, is used it's only used for a virgin who's never been with a man.

So, *almah*, is the perfect word that should be used here. The other thing is ... she will call His name ImmanuEl—Elohim is with us. Why would you call a ... if someone was born, Isaiah's son or somebody's born from a woman, a normal birth, why would you call him ImmanuEl? Why would you call him Elohim is with us? You would never do that.

And, Yahweh says to Ahaz, **"Ask for a sign; ask for a big sign!"** Right? **"Ask for something big!"** Like with Hezekiah, He makes the sun go back 10 degrees. Is a woman having a child a sign? Come on, it's happened 50 billion times since Adam and Eve. No. But it *is* a sign if it's a virgin. It *is* a sign if it's a woman that never had relations with a man—and that's exactly what happened.

If you go to Matthew 1 and verse 18 we see the fulfillment of this. Matthew 1 and verse 18.

Matthew 1:18-19a *And the birth of Yahshua Messiah was this way (His mother Mariam had been betrothed to Joseph) before the coming together of them, she was having found babe in womb by the Holy Spirit. But her husband, Joseph, ...*

Comment: They were only engaged, but he's still considered a husband. The babe was in the womb, the babe was in the *shilyah*, the sack, right? So, together she was found having babe in the *shilyah* by the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 1:19-21 *But her husband, Joseph, being just, and not willing to make her a public example, he purposed to divorce her secretly. And he was thinking about these things, behold, a cherub of YAHWEH was seen by him in a dream, saying, Yoseph, son of David, be not afraid to take Mariam as your wife. For that in her is generated by the Holy Spirit. And she will conceive a son, and you shall call His name Yahshua, for He will save His people from their sins.*

Comment: Just the way you would write it in Hebrew or Aramaic. His name is Yahshua; what does Yahshua mean? He will save His people from their sins—Yahweh's salvation.

Matthew 1:22-23 *And all this happened that might be fulfilled which was spoken by YAHWEH through the prophet, saying, "Behold! The virgin will conceive in her womb and will bear a son, and will call His name Emmanuel," ... Elohim is with us ... which is interpreted, Elohim is with us ... Is Yahshua Elohim? Of course He is.*

Matthew 1:24-25 *And being aroused from sleep, Joseph did as the cherub of YAHWEH commanded him, and took his wife, and did not know her until she bore her son, the Firstborn. And called His name Yahshua ... Yahweh's salvation.*

So, very, very clearly there the virgin birth ... important Scripture ... but believe it or not, it's something that very controversial, and many messianics in Israel today stopped believing in the virgin birth. But it's important to understand it because now we understand that the Messiah that's coming would not just be a *seed* of Adam, and a *seed* of Isaac, and a *seed* of Jacob, and a *seed* of Judah, and a *seed* of David, but He would be the *literal* Son of Yahweh.

If we go to Proverbs; Proverbs 30 and verse 4. Proverbs 30 and verse 4, says:

Proverbs 30:4 *Who has gone up to Heaven, and come down? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in His garment? Who has made all the ends of the earth to rise? What is His name, and what is His Son's name? ... come on ... Surely you know. ... What is His name, what is His Son's name? Surely you know. ... Yes, we know it; the Father's name is Yah Yahweh and the Son's name is Yahshua Yahweh.*

Psalms, the second Psalm we see this again; *amazing* Psalm, Psalm 2.

Psalm 2:1-4 *Why have the nations raged and the people are meditating on emptiness? The kings of the earth have placed themselves; yea, the rulers have plotted together against YAHWEH and against His Messiah, ... is this messianic? You better believe it is; and it's end time. ... saying, We will break their bands in two, and throw off their cord from us. He who sits in the heaven will laugh; YAHWEH will mack at them.*

Comment: Right? New world order this, new world order that, and people are so worried. Yahweh's watching it. It's actually the new world *disorder*, because none of their plans ever come to pass because Yahweh is supreme over everything. And Yahweh and Yahshua are sitting in the heavens, and they're laughing at it. He says:

Psalm 2:5-6 *Then He will speak to them in His anger, and in His wrath He will terrify them; ... the day of Yahweh that's coming ... Yea, I have set **My king** on My holy mount on mount Zion. ... Right? Who's the King of Jerusalem? Yahshua; **Matthew 5:34.***

Psalm 2:7-12 *I will declare concerning the statute of YAHWEH: He said to Me, You are My Son. Today I have begotten You. ... and that's in **Acts 13:33**, is mentioned again. **Mark 1:11** same thing, right? When Yahshua was being baptized that's the voice that they heard out of heaven, saying, ... *You are My Son. Today I have begotten you. Ask of Me, and I will give**

the nations as Your inheritance; ... Didn't we just say, nations were never promised to king David only to the Messiah? ... and as Your possession the ends of the earth. You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. Now, then, be wise, O kings; be taught, O judges of the earth. Serve YAHWEH with fear; and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Oh the blessings of all those who flee to Him for refuge!

Yahshua came the first time, they were looking for the King of Judah, and they got the Lamb of Yahweh. Now, they're looking for the Lamb of Yahweh, and the King of Judah's coming. That'll be one of our parts of this; is going to be the reigning King—Messiah the reigning King. But we see here; we see here that the Messiah *is* the Son of Yahweh.

And it's very interesting, in the Dead Sea Scrolls—which are *written* from the second century BC until the first century AD, the time that Yahshua lived—there is actually a scroll there ... because like I said, Jews say, “Oh, there's nothing in Jewish theology ever that Yahweh has a Son.” And yet, when we look at the Essenes, who were priests then, the very scroll itself is called *The Son of Elohim*.

Let me read that to you. This is coming from Q4246 [should be 4Q246]; that's where they found the scroll. And it says:

[Column I] Dwell upon Him. He fell before the throne, O King forever. You were angry and changed the complexion of your face. Depressed is your gaze. But you shall rule over everything, and your deeds will be great. Yet distress will come on the earth; there shall be war among the nations and great carnage is in the cities which the bands of the King of Assyria will cause and Egypt shall be with them, but Your Son shall be great upon the earth. And all nations on earth shall make peace with Him. And they shall serve Him for He shall be called Son of the Great Elohim. And by His name ... right? We just said, what is His name, what is His Son's name? Yahshua ... By His name He shall be called.

[Column II] And He shall be hailed as Son of Elohim. And they shall call Him Son of the Most High. Like comets that one sees so that their kingdom will rule. He shall reign for some years upon the earth and shall trample everything. One nation shall trample on another nation, and one Province on another Province until there arises a people of Elohim and everyone will rest from the sword. Then His Kingdom will be everlasting Kingdom and all His ways shall be truth. He shall judge the earth in righteousness and the land with truth and everyone shall have to make peace. The sword shall disappear from the earth and every nation will submit or worship Him. The Great Elohim is Himself His might. He shall make war for Him; people shall give in to His power. All of them He shall cast down before them. His dominion and rule shall be everlasting. And none of the abysses of the earth shall prevail against it.

Wow, that's coming from the Dead Sea Scrolls, right? And we're seeing here, we're seeing that, yes, this was a concept. It was a concept in the first century they *were* looking for a Messiah. Unfortunately like I said, they were thinking that it was going to be a king to rule then. They didn't understand that the Messiah first had to come and be the suffering servant.

Isaiah 42 He says:

Isaiah 42:1 *Behold My Servant; I will support Him; ... who's talking? Yahweh. Who's He talking to? The Messiah. So, is Yahweh the same being as Yahshua? No. Yahweh the Father is calling the Messiah, who we know now is His Son, His servant, He says ... in whom My soul delights! I have put My Spirit on Him; He shall bring forth justice to the nations. ... Just like we said, Messiah returns, and He's King and ruler over all the earth.*

Isaiah 42:2-3 *He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. ... He's not going to be a wild-eyed street preacher out there screaming, “Repent! Repent!” No, they're going to come to Him. Just the way it was with Yahshua ... A bruised reed He shall not break, and a smoking wick He shall not quench; He shall bring forth justice to truth.*

Comment: Right? He's very gentle. A bruised reed, right? You don't even see it, you walk, you walk ... [breaking sound] you break that reed. No, He's gentle. Just like when the parable of the ... when He fed the 5,000 He said, “Gather *all* that's left over that nothing be lost.” He's a very gentle ... He cares for every single person.

Isaiah 42:3-4 *A bruised reed He will not break, a smoking wick He will not quench; He shall bring forth justice to truth. He shall not fail nor be crushed until He has sent justice in the earth; and the coasts will wait for His Torah. ... So, right, the message of the Torah is going to go overseas like we're seeing.*

Isaiah 42:21 *YAHWEH is delighted for His righteousness' sake; ... I'm in verse 21 now ... He will magnify the Torah and make it honorable.*

And here's the key, another thing that the Christianity ... and the messiah that they look for is one that's a *lawless* one. He's one that's a rebel. He's one that's coming to do away with his father's law. You never see that. Yahshua said in **Matthew 5**, "I did not come to do away with the Torah and the prophets, but I came to fulfill."

In **Matthew 19** they asked Him, "Master, what do we have to do to get eternal life?" "Keep the Torah." And a matter of fact with most Christians don't realize what they're doing, because for Yahshua to be the Messiah, He has to fulfill all the Scriptures we're going over here, and that we will go over in the next lessons. If He doesn't, He's not the Messiah.

And, in **Deuteronomy 13**, I'm not going to go there for time-wise, but **Deuteronomy 13** clearly says, "If somebody comes to you, even if they do miracles, but they take you away from the Torah, he's a false prophet." So, the Christians are actually *proving* that their Jesus is a false prophet when they're saying he did away with the Torah. **Because here the servant of Yahweh is making the Torah honorable, right?** Because before the Torah was only in the letter, but He came to make it honorable. He showed the intention of the heart. "*The Torah says, 'Thou shall not kill.' I say, if you get angry you already did it.*" So, He came and He made the Torah honorable is what He did.

John 3; we're going to start ending up here. Can't believe how fast the time can go when you're talking about our Messiah. John 3 and verse 12. Because we could have a hundred lessons on this and it wouldn't be enough to show Yahshua's greatness and the wonderful sacrifice that He made for each and every one of us. John 3 and verse 12.

John 3:12-13 *If I tell you earthly things, and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? And no one has gone up to Heaven, except He having gone down out of Heaven, ... we just read that in Proverbs 30: Who has gone up to Heaven, and come down? Only ... the Son of Man is He who is in Heaven. ... so, only Yahshua has done this.*

John 3:14-21 *And even as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so everyone believing into Him, should not be destroyed, but have everlasting life. For YAHWEH so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone believing into Him should not perish, but should have everlasting life. For YAHWEH did not send His Son into the world that He might condemn the world, but that the world might have life through Him. The one believing into Him is not condemned; but the one not believing has already been condemned, for he has not believed into the name of the only begotten Son of YAHWEH. And this is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness more than the Light, for their works were evil. For everyone practicing wickedness hates the Light, and does not come to the Light, that his works may not be exposed. But the one doing the truth comes to the Light, that his works may be revealed, that they exist, having been worked in Elohim.*

So, we clearly see here that *this* is why there was a need for a messiah—that Yahweh is restorer, He's a redeemer. And, like I said the fallen nature of man, every human being that ever lived from the day he's born to the day he dies is on a one way ticket to the Lake of Fire—from his own doing, not from Yahweh. But, because Yahweh loved us so much, He actually sent His son to the world to, like we said, to *conquer* sin—to pay the penalty of the sin and actually *conquer* it. And to *restore* us back to Eden; to *restore* what Adam lost; to restore the relationship with the Father that we didn't have; to bring us the Holy Spirit. And He loved us so much, like I said, that He went through humiliation, He went through beating, He went through torture ... **and the patience that He had.**

Because even like He said, remember in the Garden of Gethsemane where they came and Peter cut off the ear of Malchus, the priest's servant? And what did Yahshua say? "Put your sword back in the sheath. He who lives by the sword will die by the sword. Don't you know now I can call on my Father and ask for 12 legions of Angels?" And yet He had the *patience* to go through that suffering and that humiliation and do it **for His love for us.** So, how much patience should we

have? **When we only have to wait a few more tiny years.** And maybe not that. Any of us can die today. **But we need to have the patience** to fulfill the great commission that Yahweh has given us. The fact that He loved us enough that He called each of us by name.

How thankful are we? How thankful are we that Yahweh and Yahshua ... great sacrifice to send His only Son to come to the earth and suffer and be humiliated so that so that He could understand us? How grateful are we that Yahweh has fully preserved *all* the four good news messages with page after page of Yahshua's very words of life so that we can know everything from His birth, His life, His suffering, His death, His resurrection?

How grateful are we that we could know His very words, how He felt; and He allows us to feel and to understand His love for us and to transform our minds into the very minds of Messiah? How thankful are we that Yahweh has chosen us to be part of Yahshua's restored congregation from Jerusalem and that He's preserved all the Biblical places like we said, in the Holy Land? That *all* these places where Yahshua was, **where he walked, the very synagogues where He would've sat and taught. That we could sit there in those synagogues** and we can experience the fullness of Him. How great is that?

John 15 and verse 11. The last Scripture I'm going to go into, because we're really over time here. John 15 and verse 11.

John 15:11-16 *I have spoken these things to you ... and these are Yahshua's last words on earth before He was going to be crucified; He says, ... I have spoken these things to you that My joy may abide in you, and your joy may be filled. This is the commandment, that you love one another as I loved you. Greater love than this has no one, that anyone should lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. I no longer call you slaves, for the slave does not know what His Master does. But I called you friends, because all things which I heard from My Father I made known to you. You have not chosen Me, but I chose you and planted you, that you should go and should bear fruit, and your fruit remain, and whatever you should ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you.*

Wow. We haven't chosen Him, but He's chosen us. And you know, if you're an honest human being with real human nature, everyone of us knows, and everyone of us has asked the question, "Why on earth would you call me? What do I have to offer *You*?" And you know what the answer is? **Nothing.** None of us have anything to offer Him. **He's the Creator of the universe, what do we have to offer Him?**

He called us, like it says in **Corinthians 1**, "Not many wise men not are called, not many men of noble birth." He calls us of weaker state so that *His* greatness goes throughout all the earth. And that's why *every day* of my life I praise Yahweh because I look at what Yahweh has done in my life, and each one of you should look at what He's done in your life. And what He's done, the miracle of what He's done—this good news going to the earth, *all* of the materials, the things we've done, **it's all through Him!** It's not through me, **it's in spite of me.**

And that's why I am so appreciative to Him. Because He's taking somebody that had nothing to offer, and not only is He giving me eternal life and forgiven all my sins, He's given me a worth in His Kingdom. He says to each of us in **Romans 8** that we are like He says here, **we're no longer slaves, we're brothers, we're co-heirs with Him! He's coming back and He wants to share with us this Kingdom that rightfully belongs to Him!** And do we live for Him every day of our life? Are we living for our own selfish desires; are we living for our own *wants*; or are we living everyday to that Kingdom; and living for Him by the grace of what He did for us? That *every day* of our life we want to live to Him.

I was saying since the beginning of this message, it's all about lineage. And I hope you really understand it now. Because it really ... from Genesis 3, it's all about lineage until Yahshua. Now what does it say in **Galatians 3 and verse 29**? "If you be Messiah, you are Abraham's seed and an heir according to the promise." No longer ... and that's why you don't need circumcision any more. Because now that Messiah fulfilled His promise, the lineage is over. The lineage was till *Him*. Now as we're grafted through to Him, through baptism, we become a seed of Abraham. It's not the other way around.

But like I said, it's all about lineage. And that's why the lineage of Adam had to go to Noah, who had to go to Abraham, who had to go to Isaac and Jacob, who had to go to Judah and David and to the Messiah. But do you realize now that you are part of that lineage? That like He says, **He has chosen you to be part of that lineage**, not by physical blood of Israel, but by His spiritual blood—the blood that He shed out. If you give your life up, if you sacrifice it to Him, if you be His

bond servant, that *you* can *be* a very brother of His. You can have that lineage that He has and be in the very family that He's in. What greater joy can we have?

So, brethren, this is just part one. I have several other parts. The next part is going to be about, *Messianic Signs Part 2—The Suffering Servant*. I pray that you were blessed by this. Listen to it several times. We're going to be getting into much, much more. But there is only one person on earth that has ever fulfilled all of these things that has come in the flesh and did all this so that He could have that personal relationship with us. He's the redeemer, He's the restorer, and He's the reuniter, Yahshua Messiah. Shabbat Shalom.