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The world is getting a little crazy and ramping up to the return of the Jewish Messiah in the year 2033. Covid-19 changed the entire world in 2019-2020. On February 24, 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine. On October 7, 2023, Hamas attached and mascaraed 1400 Israelis. Benjamin Netanyahu declared war on Hamas the next day. Studying the Bible for the past 50 years I expect nuclear war to break out before the end of 2026 and I believe 10 or more of our cities here in the United States of America will be destroyed. We have entered a time called out in the Bible as "Jacob's Trouble". It is imperative that all Jews and Gentiles read and understand God's plan for the redemption of mankind and embrace the New Covenant.

Adonai's plan for the redemption of man can be summarized in 3 simple points.

- 1. Faith to believe the Bible as God's spoken/written word.
- 2. Man has sinned against God, preventing him from ever gaining eternal life and living with Adonai in Paradise.
- 3. For 2500 years, God taught the Hebrews through animal sacrifice that without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin. The sacrificial death of an animal and God's written word teach us the ultimate sacrifice could only be part of the living Godhead, coming to earth as Messiah, and shedding His blood hanging from a tree on Golgotha. This act alone has opened the door to heaven to those that have and will come to believe in Yeshua.

How can we have faith the Bible is God's spoken/written word? Scripture tells us in the New Covenant, 2 Peter 1:19-21: And so we have <u>the prophetic word confirmed</u>, which you do well <u>to heed</u> as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, <u>for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit</u>.

The prophetic word spoken of above include the major prophets with books in the Jewish Tanach which are Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel and the minor Prophets which are Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi. Today all these prophets have been found to be true over the centuries where fulfilled prophecy has come to pass just as these men prophesied. It is interesting that the book of Daniel is not listed in the Tanach under prophets, but instead, under the Writings. I can think of two possible reasons for this. Adonai is purposely drawing attention to this one book out of all the books of the prophets. The prophet Daniel is the only prophet that prophesied the exact time Messiah would be crucified, shedding His blood <u>to make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness</u>. The other reason might be that this prophetic book paints an entirely different narrative for man's redemption that the rabbis don't want to admit to.

Daniel 9:24-27:

"Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy. "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times. "And after the sixty-two

weeks *Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined. Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week, He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate."

On the day Messiah was crucified (<u>Messiah shall be cut off</u>), rising 3 days later from the dead, everything changed for man's redemption. No longer was animal sacrifice able to atone for sin. Yeshua made this clear to all Jews during His 3 year preaching ministry from 0030 to 0033 by performing miracles including feeding 5000, walking on water, raising the dead, casting out demons and so much more.

The rabbis in the last two thousand years never did connect the dots when it came to the "New Covenant" spoken of in Jeremiah and how it connects to the prophecy in Daniel foretelling the master plan of redemption. The Christian Bible, the New Testament, is really the "New Covenant" explaining Yeshua's ministry and the redemption of all mankind. Redemption for only those that will embrace Him and become a disciple of Yeshua. Yeshua is the door for all of us and we must pass through to be able to enter Heaven and have eternal life.

Psalm 118:20-23: This is the gate of the Lord; The righteous will enter through it. I shall give thanks to You, for You have answered me, And You have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief corner stone. This is the Lord's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.

John 10:7-9: (New Covenant) Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, <u>I am the door</u> of the sheep. All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door. If anyone enters <u>by Me</u>, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

Jeremiah 31:31-34:

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when <u>I will make a new covenant</u> with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah — not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

The Tanach speaks volumes about Messiah Yeshua.

Isaiah 8:13-16:

Adonai, <u>Master of Legions</u>, Him shall you sanctify; He is your reverence, and He is your strength. He shall be a sanctuary, but also a striking stone and a stumbling rock, for the two houses of Israel: a trap and a snare for the inhabitants of Jerusalem. And many people will stumble over them; they will fall down and be broken, trapped and ensnared.

Most Jews today are fallen, broken, trapped and ensnared, as the scripture above shows, stumbling over their own Messiah. My "heart" cries for all Jews and is saddened that most Jews are not listening.

Isaiah 9:6-7:

For a child has been born to us, a son has been given to us, and the dominion will rest on his shoulder; the Wondrous Adviser, Mighty God, Eternal Father, called his name Sar-shalom [Prince of Peace]; upon the one with the greatness in dominion and the boundless peace that will prevail on the throne of David and on his kingdom, to establish it and sustain it through justice and righteousness, from now to eternity. The zealousness of Adonai, Master of Legions, will accomplish this!

Isaiah 6:1-5:

In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting upon a high and lofty throne; high and lifted up, and its legs filled the Temple. Seraphim were standing above, at His service. Each one had six wings; with two it would cover its face, with two it would cover its legs, and with two it would fly. And one would call to another and say "Holy, holy, holy is Adonai, Master of Legions; the whole world is filled with His glory." The doorposts moved many cubits at the sound of the calling, and the Temple became filled with smoke. Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am doomed: I am a man of impure lips, for my eyes have seen the King, Adonai, Master of Legions."

I want to talk about these words from the above Isaiah verses: <u>Master of Legions; the whole world is filled</u> <u>with His glory</u>. Master of Legions is another name for Yeshua, Messiah, that walked our planet 2000 years ago. <u>The whole world is filled with His glory</u> is factual in the sense of fulfilling. John 1:1-5: (New Covenant)

In the beginning was the Word, (the Word is Master of Legions) and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. (Yeshua had the job of creating the entire universe.)

Note: "Adonai, Master of Legions" appears 235 times in 14 books in the TANACH. "Master of Legions" is copied from an Orthodox Tanach. Other translations use the words "Lord of Hosts."

Isaiah 7:14: Therefore, my Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the young woman will become pregnant and bear a Son, and you will name him Immanuel. (From Hebrew `immānū'el, literally: God with us.)

Isaiah 48:16: Approach me, hear this: I did not speak in secrecy at first, From the time the decree (Decree-creation took place) was issued I was there. And now, My Lord, Adonai/ELOHIM, has sent me with His spirit. (Three persons, 3 in 1)

Isaiah 42:5: Thus says the God, Adonai, who created the heavens and stretched them forth; Who firmed the earth and its produce, Who gave a soul to the people upon it, and a spirit to those who walk on it: (Add your body for 3 in 1.)

Genesis 3:22: And Adonai God said, "Behold Man has become like the Unique One among us, knowing good and bad;...

Adonai has so many little nuances within a number of scriptures and here is one where it says, "<u>the Unique One</u> <u>among us"</u>. Adonai is saying here, that one of the Godhead is unique and different from the other two. The Father is light but has no physical form except for brilliant light, smoke and sometimes fire. The Holy Spirit is invisible as you would expect from His name but is responsible for speaking to the prophets and guiding us believers in Yeshua. The unique one is Yeshua Himself which has a human form and physical characteristics the other two do not have.

I have tried to keep this paper as simple as possible, not to confuse anyone's thinking any more than necessary to help you understand the need for you to confess Yeshua to become believers in your Messiah.

Only Gentiles can convert, which I did in 1973. Jews do not convert, they need only to return to their Jewish faith. Knowing that that faith must include confessing Yeshua with their mouths and believing in Him. The following New Covenant verses are the key to salvation.

Romans 10:9-10: (New Covenant)

That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Proverbs 18:21: Death and life are in the power of the tongue....)

These are Yeshua's words from Luke 24:44-49: (New Covenant)

Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that <u>all things must be</u> <u>fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.</u>" And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

A lot to think about for sure. Buy yourself a New King James Version Bible (NKJV) or a New American Standard Bible (NASB) which includes both the Old and New Testament. This Old Testament is exactly the same as the Jewish Tanach with all the same books. The only difference is the order of the books. The New Testament or New Covenant is an entirely Jewish book, written by Jews, with a Jewish message of salvation and redemption.

Isaiah 53:1-12:

Who would believe what we have heard! For whom has the arm of Adonai been revealed! Formerly he grew like a sapling or like a root from arid ground; he had neither form nor grandeur; we saw him, but without such visage that we could desire him. He was despised and isolated from men, a man of pains and accustomed to illness. As one from whom we would hide our faces; he was despised, and we had no regard for him. But in truth, it was our ills that he bore, and our pains that he carried, but we had regarded him diseased, stricken by God, and afflicted! He was pained because of our rebellious sins and oppressed through our iniquities; the chastisement upon him was for our benefit, and through his wounds we were healed. We have all strayed like sheep, each of us turning his own way, and Adonai inflicted upon him the iniquity of us all. He was persecuted and afflicted, but he did not open his mouth; like sheep being led to the slaughter, or a ewe that is silent before her shearers, he did not open his mouth. Now that he has been released from captivity and judgement, who could have imagined such a generation? For he had been removed from the land of the living, an affliction upon them that was my people's sin. He submitted himself to his grave like wicked men; and the wealthy to his executions, for committing no crime and with no deceit in his mouth. Adonai desired to oppress him and He afflicted him; if his soul would acknowledge guilt, he would see offspring and live long days and the desire of HASHEM would succeed in his hand. He would see and be satisfied with his soul's distress. With his knowledge My servant will vindicate the Righteous One to multitudes; it is their iniquities that he will carry. Therefore, I will assign him a portion from the multitudes and he will divide the mighty as spoils-in return for having poured out his soul for death and being counted among the wicked, for he bore the sin of the multitudes, and prayed for the wicked.

Hosea 4:6: My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge..... (Old Covenant) ("Destroyed" in reference to the second death and spending eternity in Sheol.)

John 8:32: And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (New Covenant)