

**I AM יהוה YOUR ELOHIM.
WALK IN MY LAWS, AND
GUARD MY RIGHT-
RULINGS, AND DO THEM.
AND SET APART MY
SABBATHS, AND THEY
SHALL BE A SIGN
BETWEEN ME AND YOU,
TO KNOW THAT I AM יהוה
YOUR ELOHIM.'**

YEHEZQĒL / EZEKIEL 20:19-20

Fourth Commandment

And you, speak to the children of Yisra'el, saying, 'My Sabbaths you are to guard, by all means, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, to know that I, יהוה, am setting you apart.

Exodus 31:13

SABBATH SIGN OF COVENANT

And I also gave them My Sabbaths, to be a sign between them and Me, to know that I am יהוה who sets them apart.

Ezekiel 20:12

Vayera (וירא) He Appeared





Shofar Call to service



Opening Prayer - Br. Mick G.



Musical Praise w/ Davidic Dance

- [Shabbat Shalom](#)
- [New Jerusalem \(Matt Gilman\)](#)
- Davidic Dance
- [Sons of Abraham](#)
- [It's Your Life \(Teshuva\)](#)
- [Hu Yavo \(He Will Come - Joshua Aaron\)](#)

Announcements

- Natzarim Yahshua – ITS OFFICIAL 😊 😊 😊
- Next Shabbat we will be at Jun and Lu Francke's
- Moedim 2020 planning committee
 - Volunteers
- Challa Bread sign-up / rotation
- Order of Service
 - Parasha Reading
 - Lunch
 - Parasha Midrash

Blessing of the Children - Hebrew

*V'ahavta et YHWH Elohecha, b'chol l'vavcha uv'chol
nafsh'cha uv'chol m'odecha.*

*V'hayu had'varim ha-eileh asher anochi m'tzav'cha hayom al
l'vavecha.*

*V'shinantam l'vanecha v'dibarta bam b'shivt'cha b'veitecha
uv'lecht'cha vaderech uv'shochb'cha uv'kumecha.*

*Uk'shartam l'ot al yadecha v'hayu l'totafot bein einecha. Uch'tavtam
al m'zuzot beitecha uvish'arecha.*

*L'maan tizk'ru, vaasitem et kol mitzvotai vih'yitem k'doshim
l'Eloheichem. Ani YHWH Eloheichem,
asher hotzeiti et-chem mei-eretz Mitzrayim lih'yot lachem l'Elohim
ani YHWH Eloheichem.*

Blessing of the Children - English

You shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your might.

Take to heart these instructions with which I charge you
this day. Impress them upon your children. Recite them
when you stay at home and when you are away, when
you lie down and when you get up. Bind them as a sign
on your hand and let them serve as a symbol on your
forehead; inscribe them on the doorposts of your house
and on your gates. Thus you shall remember to observe
all My commandments and to be holy to your Elohim.

I am Yahweh, your Elohim, who brought you out of the
land of Egypt to be your Mighty One: I am Yahweh your
Elohim.

Vayera - “He Appeared”

- **Torah:**

- **Genesis 18: - 22:4**

- **Prophets:**

- **II Kings 4:1-37**

- **Brit Hadasha:**

- **Luke 2:1-38; Romans 9:6-9;
Galatians: 4:21-31; Hebrews: 6:13-
20; James 2:14-24**

GENESIS 18:1-31 (TLV)

Then ADONAI appeared to him at Mamre's large trees while he was sitting in the entrance of his tent during the heat of the day. ² When he lifted up his eyes to see, suddenly, three men were standing right by him. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ Then he said, "My Lord, if now I have found favor in your eyes, please do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Please let a little water be brought so you can wash your feet, and make yourselves comfortable under the tree. ⁵ And let me bring a bit of bread so that you can refresh yourselves—then you can pass on—since you have passed by your servant.

They said, "Do just as you have said." ⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Knead three measures of fine flour and prepare bread loaves!" ⁷ Then to the herd Abraham ran and took a young ox, tender and good, and he gave it to the servant, who prepared it quickly. ⁸ Then he took butter and milk and the young ox that he had prepared and set it before them. While he was standing by them under the tree, they ate.

⁹ Then they said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?"
"There, in the tent," he said.

¹⁰ Then He said, "I will most surely return to you in about a year's time, surprisingly, Sarah your wife will have a son."
Sarah was listening at the entrance of the tent, which was behind Him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years—Sarah had stopped having the way of women. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I've grown decrepit, can I have desire—and my lord so old?"

Then ADONAI said to Abraham, "Why is it that Sarah laughed, saying, 'Can I really give birth when I am so old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too difficult for ADONAI? At the appointed time I will return to you—in about a year—and Sarah will have a son."

¹⁵ Sarah denied it saying, "I didn't laugh!" For she was afraid. But He said, "No—for you did laugh."

Then the men got up from there and looked down over Sodom. Abraham was walking with them to send them off, ¹⁷ when ADONAI said, "Should I keep secret from Abraham what I am about to do, ¹⁸ seeing that Abraham will most certainly become a great and mighty nation and in him all the nations of the earth will be blessed? ¹⁹ For I have made myself known to him so that he will command his sons and his household after him to keep the way of ADONAI by doing righteousness and justice, so that ADONAI may bring upon Abraham what He has spoken about him." ²⁰ Then ADONAI said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great indeed, and their sin is very grievous indeed. ²¹ I want to go down now, and see if they deserve destruction, as its outcry has come to Me. And if not, I will know."

²² Then the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham was still standing before ADONAI. ²³ Abraham drew near and said, "Will you really sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you really sweep away and not spare the place for the sake of fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from You to do such a thing—to cause the righteous to die with the wicked, so that the righteous and the wicked share the same fate! Far be it from You! Shall the Judge of the whole world not exercise justice?"

²⁶ Then ADONAI said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous people within the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."
Then Abraham answered and said, "Look, pray, I have decided to speak to my Lord, though I am dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose the fifty righteous people are lacking five. Will You destroy the whole city for lack of five?"

And He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

²⁹ So he spoke to Him yet again and said, "Perhaps forty will be found there?"

And He said, "I will not do it for the sake of the forty."

³⁰ Then he said, "Please, let my Lord not be angry, so I may speak. Perhaps thirty will be found there?"

And He said, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

³¹ Then he said, "Look, pray, I have decided to speak to my Lord: Perhaps twenty will be found there?"

GENESIS 18:32 - 19:26 (TLV)

And He said, “I will not destroy it for the sake of the twenty.”

³² Then he said, “Please, let not my Lord be angry, so I may speak once more. Perhaps ten will be found there?”

And He said, “I will not destroy it for the sake of the ten.”

³³ Now when He had finished speaking to Abraham, *ADONAI* left, and Abraham returned to his place. Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening, while Lot was sitting at the gate of Sodom.

When Lot saw them, he got up to meet them, and bowed down with his face to the ground. ² Then he said, “Here, please my lords, please turn aside to your servant’s house, spend the night and wash your feet. Then you can get up early and go on your way.”

But they said, “No. We will spend the night in the open plaza.”

³ But he urged them strongly, so they turned aside to him and they came into his house. He prepared a feast for them and baked *matzot*, and they ate. ⁴ They had not yet lain down when the men of the city (the men of Sodom) surrounded the house—from youth to elderly, all the people without exception.

⁵ And they called out to Lot and said to him, “Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us so that we can have relations with them!” ⁶ But Lot went out to them at the doorway and shut the door behind him, ⁷ and said, “Please, my brothers, don’t act wickedly. ⁸ Look, I have two daughters who haven’t been intimate with a man. Please let me bring them out to you—do to them whatever is good in your eyes! However, do nothing to these men—since they have come under the protection of my roof.”

⁹ “Get out of the way!” they said, and they said, “This one came as an outsider and dares to judge! Now we’ll treat you worse than them!”

So they strongly pressed against the man, Lot, and moved in close to break the door down. ¹⁰ But the men reached out their hands, brought Lot into the house with them, and shut the door. ¹¹ Then they struck the men at the doorway of the house with blindness—from youth to elderly—so that they gave up trying to find the doorway.

¹² Then the men said to Lot, “Who else related to you is still here? A son-in-law, your sons and your daughters, whoever else is related to you in the city—bring them out of the place!

¹³ For we are about to destroy this place, because their outcry has become so great before *ADONAI* that *ADONAI* has sent us to destroy it.”

¹⁴ So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law who were going to marry his daughters, “Get up!” he said, “Get out of this place! For *ADONAI* is about to destroy the city!” But in the eyes of his sons-in-law, he was like a joker.

¹⁵ So when morning dawned the angels rushed Lot, saying, “Get up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or else you will be swept away with the city’s iniquity!” ¹⁶ But he hesitated. So the men grabbed his hand, his wife’s hand and his two daughters’ hands—because of *ADONAI*’s compassion for him—and they brought him out and left him outside the city. ¹⁷ When they brought them outside, one said, “Flee for your life! Do not look behind you, and do not stop anywhere in the surrounding area! Escape to the hills, or else you’ll be swept away!”

¹⁸ But Lot said to them, “No, my Lord, please! ¹⁹ Look, please, your servant has found favor in Your eyes and You have magnified Your merciful loyalty, which You have shown me by letting me live. But I can’t escape to the hill country—for the disaster will overtake me and I’ll die! ²⁰ Look, please, this city is close enough to flee there, and it’s little. Please let me escape there. Isn’t it small? And let me live!”

²¹ So He said to him, “Behold, I will grant your request concerning this matter too—not to demolish the city of which you have spoken. ²² Hurry! Flee to safety there, because I cannot do anything until you arrive there.” (This is why the town is named Zoar.)

²³ The moment the sun rose upon the land, Lot entered Zoar, ²⁴ and *ADONAI* rained sulfur and fire upon Sodom and Gomorrah from *ADONAI* out of the sky. ²⁵ So He demolished these cities and the whole surrounding area, all the inhabitants of the cities and the vegetation of the ground.

²⁶ But his wife looked behind him and she turned into a pillar of salt.

GENESIS 19:27 - 20:17 (TLV)

²⁷ Now Abraham rose early in the morning to the place where he had stood before *ADONAI*, ²⁸ and he looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward the entire land of the surrounding area, and saw, behold, the smoke of the land ascended like smoke from a furnace. ²⁹ So it was, as God destroyed the cities of the surrounding area, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the upheaval, when He demolished the cities where Lot had dwelt. ³⁰ Then Lot went up from Zoar and dwelled on the mountain, his two daughters with him, because he was afraid to dwell in Zoar. So he lived in a cave—he and his two daughters. ³¹ Then the firstborn said to the younger, “Our father is old, and there is no man in the land to come to us as is the custom of the whole land. ³² Come on! Let’s make our father drink wine so that we can lie with him and keep the seed from our father alive. ³³ So they made their father drink wine that night, and the firstborn came and lay down with her father. Yet he did not know that she lay down and got up. ³⁴ On the following day, the firstborn said to the younger, “See! I slept with my father last night. Let’s make him drink wine tonight as well. Come on! Sleep with him so that we’ll keep the seed from our father alive.” ³⁵ So they made their father drink wine that night as well, and the younger got up and lay down with him and he did not know that she lay down and got up. ³⁶ So Lot’s two daughters become pregnant by their father. ³⁷ Then the firstborn gave birth to a son and named him Moab: he is the ancestor of the Moabites to this day. ³⁸ The younger also gave birth to a son and named him Ben-Ammi: he is the ancestor of the sons of Ammon to this day.

Then Abraham journeyed from there to the land of the Negev and settled between Kadesh and Shur. While he was dwelling as an outsider in Gerar, ² Abraham said of Sarah his wife, “She is my sister.” So King Abimelech of Gerar sent for and took Sarah. ³ But God came to Abimelech in a dream at night and said to him, “Behold, you are as good as dead, because of the woman whom you have taken—since she is a married woman.”

⁴ Now Abimelech had not come near her. So he said, “My Lord, will You slay a nation, even though innocent? ⁵ Didn’t he say to me, ‘She’s my sister’? And she herself even said, ‘He’s my brother.’ I did this with integrity of my heart and guiltlessness of my hands.”

⁶ Then God said to him in a dream, “Yes, I myself knew that you did this with integrity of your heart, so I, yes I Myself prevented you from sinning against Me. That is why I did not allow you to touch her. ⁷ So now, return the man’s wife, for he is a prophet. And let him pray for you and you will live. But if you do not return her, know that you will surely die—you and all who are yours.”

⁸ Abimelech rose early in the morning, called all his servants and spoke all these words in their ears—and the men were very frightened. ⁹ Then Abimelech called to Abraham and said to him, “What have you done to us, and how have I sinned against you, that you brought great sin upon me and my kingdom? You’ve done to me things that should not be done!”

¹⁰ Abimelech also said to Abraham, “What motivated you to do this thing?”

¹¹ Abraham said, “Because I thought, ‘There is certainly no fear of God in this place, so they’ll kill me, because of my wife.’”

¹² And besides, she really is my sister. She’s my father’s daughter, though not my mother’s daughter. Then she became my wife. ¹³ So when God made me wander away from my father’s house, I said to her, ‘This is your loyalty that you must show me: in every place we go, say of me, ‘He is my brother.’”

¹⁴ Then Abimelech took sheep, cattle, male slaves and female slaves and gave them to Abraham, and returned his wife Sarah to him. ¹⁵ Then Abimelech said, “Look, my land is before you. Dwell wherever it pleases you.” ¹⁶ At the same time he said to Sarah, “Look, I’ve given a thousand shekels to your brother. Look, it is compensation for everything that happened—so to everyone with you, you are vindicated.”

¹⁷ Then Abraham prayed to God and God healed Abimelech, his wife and his female slaves so that they could bear children.

¹⁸ For *ADONAI* had completely locked up every womb in Abimelech’s household because of Sarah, Abraham’s wife.

GENESIS 21:1-33 (TLV)

Then ADONAI visited Sarah just as He had said, and ADONAI did for Sarah just as He had spoken. ² So Sarah became pregnant and gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age, at the appointed time that God had told him.

³ Abraham named his son who was born to him—whom Sarah bore for him—Isaac. ⁴ Then Abraham circumcised Isaac, his eight-day-old son, just as God had commanded him.

⁵ Abraham was 100 years old when Isaac his son was born to him.

⁶ So Sarah said, “God has made laughter for me! Everyone who hears will laugh with me.” ⁷ She also said, “Who would have said to Abraham, ‘Sarah has nursed children’? For I have given birth to a son in his old age!”

The child grew and was weaned—Abraham made a big feast on the day Isaac was weaned. ⁹ But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian whom she had born to Abraham—making fun. ¹⁰ So she said to Abraham, “Drive out this female slave and her son, for the son of this female slave will not be an heir with my son—with Isaac.”

¹¹ Now the matter was very displeasing in Abraham’s eyes on account of his son. ¹² But God said to Abraham, “Do not be displeased about the boy and your slave woman. Whatever Sarah says to you, listen to her voice. For through Isaac shall your seed be called. ¹³ Yet I will also make the son of the slave woman into a nation, because he is your seed.”

So Abraham got up early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave them to Hagar, putting them on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away. She went and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

¹⁵ When the water from the skin was finished, she abandoned the child under one of the bushes. ¹⁶ Then she went and sat herself down opposite, about a bowshot away, for she had said, “I can’t bear to see the child dying!” So she sat down opposite and lifted up her voice and wept.

Then God heard the boy’s voice and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and He said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid, because God has heard the boy’s voice where he is. ¹⁸ Get up! Lift the boy up, and hold on to him with your hand, for I will make him a great nation.”

¹⁹ Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water, and she went and filled the water skin, and gave the boy a drink.

²⁰ God was with the boy and he grew. He dwelled in the wilderness and became an archer. ²¹ He dwelled in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Now it came about at that same time that Abimelech—with Phicol the commander of his army—said to Abraham, “God is with you in all that you do. ²³ So now, make a pledge to me here, by God, that you will not violate your word with me or with my descendants or with my offspring. As I have shown loyalty to you, show the same to me, and to the land in which you have lived as an outsider.”

²⁴ Abraham said, “I make a pledge.” ²⁵ Now Abraham had rebuked Abimelech because of the well of water that Abimelech’s servants had seized. ²⁶ So Abimelech said, “I don’t know who did this thing. Nor did you tell me, nor did I hear about it until today.”

Then Abraham took a flock of sheep and cattle and gave them to Abimelech, and the two of them made a covenant.

²⁸ Abraham set seven young ewe-lambs apart from the flock of sheep by themselves. ²⁹ Abimelech said to Abraham, “What do these seven ewe-lambs that you’ve set by yourselves mean?”

³⁰ He said, “You are to accept the seven ewe-lambs from my hand, so that they may be a witness for me that I dug this well.” ³¹ That is why that place is named Beer-sheba, because there both of them made a pledge, ³² and they made a covenant in Beer-sheba. Then Abimelech got up, with Phicol the commander of his army, and they returned to the land of the Philistines.

³³ Then he planted a tamarisk tree in Beer-sheba and called there on the Name of ADONAI, the Everlasting God. ³⁴ He lived as an outsider in the land of the Philistines for many days.

GENESIS 18:22:1-5 (TLV)

Now it was after these things that God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham.”^[a]

“*Hineni*,” he said.

² Then He said, “Take your son, your only son whom you love^[b]—Isaac—and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains about which I will tell you.”

³ So Abraham got up early in the morning, saddled his donkey and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son. He split wood for the burnt offering, and got up and went to the place about which God had told him. ⁴ On the third day, Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from a distance. ⁵ Abraham said to his young men, “Sit yourselves down here with the donkey. As for me and the young man, we’ll go over there, worship and return to you.”

2 Kings 4:1-31 (CJB)

The wife of one of the guild prophets complained to Elisha. “Your servant my husband died,” she said, “and you know that he feared *ADONAI*. Now a creditor has come to take my two children as his slaves.” ² Elisha asked her, “What should I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?” She answered, “Your servant has nothing in the house but a flask of oil.”

³ Then he said, “Go, and borrow containers from all your neighbors, empty containers; and don’t borrow just a few!

⁴ Then go in; shut the door, with you and your sons inside; and pour oil into all those containers; and as they are filled, put them aside.” ⁵ So she left him and shut the door on herself and her sons. They brought her the containers while she poured.

⁶ When the containers were full, she said to her son, “Bring me another container”; but he answered, “There isn’t another container.” Then the oil stopped flowing. ⁷ She came and told the man of God; and he said, “Go, sell the oil, and pay your debt; then you and your sons can live on what’s left.”

⁸ One day Elisha visited Shunem, and a well-to-do woman living there pressed him to stay and eat a meal. After this, whenever he came through, he stopped there for a meal. ⁹ She said to her husband, “I can see that this is a holy man of God who keeps stopping at our place. ¹⁰ Please, let’s build him a little room on the roof. We’ll put a bed and a table in it for him, and a stool and a candlestick. Then, whenever he comes to visit us, he can stay there.”

¹¹ One day Elisha came to visit there, and he went into the upper room to lie down. ¹² He said to Geichazi his servant, “Call this Shunamit.” He called her; and when she arrived, ¹³ he said to him, “Tell her this: ‘You have shown us so much hospitality! What can I do to show my appreciation? Do you want me to say anything to the king for you? or to the commander of the army?’” She answered, “I’m happy living as I do, among my own people.” ¹⁴ He said, “What, then, is to be done for her?” Geichazi answered, “There’s one thing — she doesn’t have a son; and her husband is old. ¹⁵ Elisha said, ‘Call her.’” After he called her, she stood in the doorway. ¹⁶ He said, “Next year, when the season comes around, you will be holding a son.” “No, my lord,” she answered. “Man of God, don’t lie to your servant!” ¹⁷ But the woman conceived and gave birth to a son the following year when the season came around, just as Elisha had said to her.

¹⁸ When the child was old enough, he went out one day to be with his father, who was with the reapers. ¹⁹ Suddenly he cried out to his father, “My head! My head hurts!” He said to his servant, “Carry him back to his mother.” ²⁰ When he had taken him and brought him to his mother, he lay on her lap until noon; and then he died. ²¹ She went up and laid him on the bed of the man of God, shut the door on him and went out. ²² She called to her husband and said, “Please send me one of the servants with a donkey. I must get to the man of God as fast as I can; I’ll come straight back.” ²³ He asked, “Why are you going to him today? It isn’t *Rosh-Hodesh* and it isn’t *Shabbat*.” She said, “It’s all right.” ²⁴ Then she saddled the donkey and ordered her servant, “Drive as fast as you can; don’t slow down for me unless I say so.”

²⁵ She set out and came to the man of God on Mount Karmel. When the man of God saw her in the distance, he said to Geichazi his servant, “Look, here comes that Shunamit. ²⁶ Run now to meet her, and ask her, ‘Is everything all right with you? with your husband? with the child?’” She answered, “Everything is all right.” ²⁷ But when she reached the man of God on the hill, she grabbed his feet. Geichazi came up to push her away, but the man of God said, “Leave her alone. She is in great distress, but *ADONAI* has hidden from me what it is, he hasn’t told me.” ²⁸ Then she said, “Did I ask my lord for a son? Didn’t I say not to deceive me?” ²⁹ Then Elisha said to Geichazi, “Get dressed for action, take my staff in your hand, and be on your way. If you meet anyone, don’t greet him; if anyone greets you, don’t answer; and lay my staff on the child’s face.” ³⁰ The mother of the child said, “As *ADONAI* lives, and as you live, I will not leave you. He got up and followed her. ³¹ Geichazi went on ahead of them and laid the staff on the child’s face, but there was no sound or sign of life. So he went back to Elisha and told him, “The child didn’t wake up.”

2 Kings 4:1-31 (CJB)

32 When Elisha reached the house, there the child was, dead and laid on the bed. **33** He went in, shut the door on the two of them and prayed to *ADONAI*. **34** Then he got up on the bed and lay on top of the child, putting his mouth on his mouth, his eyes on his eyes and his hands on his hands. As he stretched himself out on the child, its flesh began to grow warm. **35** Then he went down, walked around in the house awhile, went back up and stretched himself out on the child again. The child sneezed seven times, then opened his eyes. **36** Elisha called Geichazi and said, “Call this Shunamit.” So he called her; and when she came in to him, he said, “Pick up your son.” **37** She entered, fell at his feet and prostrated herself on the floor. Then she picked up her son and went out.

Luke 2: 1-38 (WMB)

Now in those days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. 2This was the first enrollment made when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3All went to enroll themselves, everyone to his own city. 4Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to David's city, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, 5to enroll himself with Miriam, who was pledged to be married to him as wife, being pregnant.

6While they were there, the day had come for her to give birth. 7She gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a feeding trough, because there was no room for them in the inn.

8There were shepherds in the same country staying in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock. 9Behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10The angel said to them, "Don't be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be to all the people. 11For there is born to you today, in David's city, a Savior, who is Messiah the Lord. 12This is the sign to you: you will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth, lying in a feeding trough." 13Suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army praising God and saying, 14"Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men."

When the angels went away from them into the sky, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem, now, and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." 16They came with haste and found both Miriam and Joseph, and the baby was lying in the feeding trough. 17When they saw it, they publicized widely the saying which was spoken to them about this child. 18All who heard it wondered at the things which were spoken to them by the shepherds. 19But Miriam kept all these sayings, pondering them in her heart. 20The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, just as it was told them.

21When eight days were fulfilled for the circumcision of the child, his name was called Yeshua, which was given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22When the days of their purification according to the Torah of Moses were fulfilled, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord 23(as it is written in the Torah of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord"), 24and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the Torah of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."

25Behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. 26It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. 27He came in the Spirit into the temple. When the parents brought in the child, Yeshua, that they might do concerning him according to the requirement of the Torah, 28then he received him into his arms and blessed God, and said,

29"Now you are releasing your servant, Master, according to your word, in peace;

30for my eyes have seen your salvation,

31which you have prepared before the face of all peoples;

32a light for revelation to the nations,

and the glory of your people Israel."

33Joseph and his mother were marveling at the things which were spoken concerning him. 34Simeon blessed them, and said to Miriam, his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which is spoken against. 35Yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

36There was one Hannah, a prophetess, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher (she was of a great age, having lived with a husband seven years from her virginity, 37and she had been a widow for about eighty-four years), who didn't depart from the temple, worshiping with fastings and petitions night and day. 38Coming up at that very hour, she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of him to all those who were looking for redemption in Jerusalem.

Romans 9: 6-9 (TS2009)

- However, it is not as though the word of Elohim has failed. For they are not all Yisra'ěl who are of Yisra'ěl, neither are they all children because they are the seed of Abrahā, but, **“In Yitshāq your seed shall be called.”** That is, those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of Elohim, but the children of the promise are reckoned as the seed. For this is the word of promise, **“At this time I shall come and Sarah shall have a son.”**

Galatians 4: 21-31 (TS2009)

- Say to me, you who wish to be under Torah, do you not hear the Torah? For it has been written that Abraham had two sons, one by a female servant, the other by a free woman. But he who was of the female servant was born according to the flesh, and he of the free woman through promise. This is allegorical, for these are the two covenants: one indeed from Mount Sinai which brings forth slavery, which is Hagar, for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Yerushalayim which now is, and is in slavery with her children. But the Yerushalayim above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it has been written, **“Rejoice, O barren, you who do not bear! Break forth and shout, you who do not have birth pains! For the deserted one has many more children than she who has a husband.”** And we, brothers, as Yitshaq was, are children of promise. But, as he who was *born* according to the flesh then persecuted him born according to the Spirit, so also now. But what does the Scripture say? **“Cast out the female servant and her son, for the son of the female servant shall by no means be heir with the son of the free woman.”** Therefore, brothers, we are not children of the female servant but of the free woman.

Hebrews 6:13-20 (TS2009)

- For Elohim, having promised Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, swore by Himself, saying, **“Truly, blessing I shall bless you, and increasing I shall increase you.”** And so, after being patient, he obtained the promise. For men do indeed swear by the one greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute. In this way Elohim, resolving to show even more clearly to the heirs of promise the unchangeableness of His purpose, confirmed it by an oath, so that by two unchangeable matters in which it is impossible for Elohim to lie, we might have strong encouragement, we who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the expectation set before us, which we have as an anchor of the life, both safe and firm, and entering into that within the veil, where **יהושע** has entered as a forerunner for us, having become **High Priest forever according to the order of Malkitsedeq.**

Hebrews 11:13-19 (TS2009)

- In belief all these died, not having received the promises, but seeing them from a distance, welcomed and embraced them, and confessed that they were aliens and strangers on the earth. For those who speak this way make it clear that they seek a fatherland. And yet, if they had indeed kept remembering that *place* from which they had come out, they would have had the chance to return. But now they long for a better *place*, that is, a heavenly. Therefore Elohim is not ashamed to be called their Elohim, for He has prepared a city for them. By belief, Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Yitshaq, and he who had received the promises offered up his only brought-forth son, of whom it was said, “**In Yitshaq your seed shall be called,**” reckoning that Elohim was able to raise, even from the dead, from which he received him back, as a type.

James 2:14-24 (TS2009)

- My brothers, what use is it for anyone to say he has belief but does not have works? This belief is unable to save him. And if a brother or sister is naked and in need of daily food, but one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,” but you do not give them the bodily needs, what use is it? So also belief, if it does not have works, is in itself dead. But someone might say, “You have belief, and I have works.” Show me your belief without your works, and I shall show you my belief by my works. You believe that **Elohim is one**. You do well. The demons also believe – and shudder! But do you wish to know, O foolish man, that the belief without the works is dead? Was not Abraham our father declared right by works when he offered Yitshaq his son on the slaughter-place? Do you see that the belief was working with his works, and by the works the belief was perfected? And the Scripture was filled which says, “**Abraham believed Elohim, and it was reckoned to him for righteousness.**” And He called him, “**he who loves Elohim.**” You see, then, that a man is declared right by works, and not by belief alone.

Lunch



Vayera (Mid-rash)





PAUL THE PIOUS JEW

- Paul thinks like a Jew, behaves like a Jew, IS a Jew!
- He does NOT have a Gentile worldview
- Personally verified that he was a Pharisee of Pharisees many years after salvation
- His training under Gamaliel formed the basis of his theology, with new info on Yeshua layered on top
- Most Believers unconsciously read the Bible through Western Gentile eyes, as first formulated by the early Church Fathers ⁴



Messiah in your bible....

- Never worshiped on Sundays
- Never bowed down to idols
- Never looked at Rome as the new Israel
- Never started a new religion
- Never voided the commandments
- Never used rosaries in prayers
- Never observed pagans feasts
- Never spoke against commandments
- Never erected Christmas trees
- Never called any man "Pastor"
- Was never born on Dec. 25th
- **He teaches on Sabbath day (not sunday) ~ Luke 13:10**
- Did keep all bible commanded feasts
- Did read and quote from the Torah
- Did eat only bible/torah based foods
- Did call everyone to repentance.

Q & A



Closing Prayer Br. Mike McLeod



Aaronic Blessing - Br. Samuel

• בְּרַכֵּהּ יְהוָה, וַיִּשְׁמְרֶהּ

- **)Yevhārēkh-khā Yahweh veyishmerēkhā ...)**

• יָאֵר יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ, וַיְחַנֶּךָ

- **")Yā'ēr Yahweh pānāw ēlekhā viḥunnēkkā ...)**

• יֵשָׁא יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ, וַיֵּשֶׁם לָךְ שְׁלוֹם

- **")Yissā Yahweh pānāw ēlekhā viyāshēm lekhā")**

- **B'Shem Yahshua Ha Mashiach Sar Shalom**