



## Jews For Yeshua Ministry

*"To the Torah and the Testimony,  
if anybody does not speak according to these words,  
it is because they have no light in them"*

Isaiah 8:20; Revelation 12:17; 14:12

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### WHAT, THE TORAH, DONE AWAY?

Earlier we discussed a little about what it means to be a Jew. That to be a Jew means to believe in the Jewish Messiah, the Messiah Yeshua, who taught and lived out the faith of Avraham in its pure form; and that this faith is simply the Torah and the promises given to Avraham, revived through Moshe (Moses), and preserved by the tribal kingdom of Judah.

The religion that Yeshua and the Emissaries (Apostles) taught was simply this same faith of Avraham, revived through Moshe (Moses), and preserved by the tribal Kingdom of Judah, minus some of the oral traditions, addition of a few new ones, and corrections concerning some others.

This Faith of Avraham includes various promises as written in **B'resheet (Genesis) 17:4-8** which states,

**17:4** My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations.

**17:5** No longer shall your name be called Avram, but your name shall be called Avraham, for I have made you a father of *many* nations.

**17:6** I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make *nations* of you, and kings shall come from you.

**17:7** And I will establish My covenant between Me and you, and your seed after you in their generations, for an eternal covenant, to be God to you and your seed after you.

**17:8** Also, I give to you and your descendents after you the land in which you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an eternal possession, and I will be their God."

These promises are that Adonai would be God to us for all eternity, that we would possess the land of Canaan for all eternity, and that through Avraham and his Seed/Descendent (singular); **B'resheet (Genesis) 26:4**, who is the Messiah, all the nations would be blessed.

These blessings come to us through obedience to the Torah of Adonai, and through remission of sin provided through the Testimony of the Promised "Seed", who we know as Yeshua, Mashiach ben Yoseph, and also the Prophet like unto Moshe..

The eternal possession of Canaan was to become the Land of Israel; and Avraham's seed, the nation of Israel that Adonai promised the Land to.

The Scriptures say that if you have put on Yeshua, the Jewish Messiah of Israel, then you also are a descendent of Avraham, and heir of the nation, and land, **of Israel**.

People of the nations (gentiles) who believe in Yeshua, you have been grafted into the Olive

Tree of Israel, of which Yeshua is the root, Avraham, Yit'zak (Isaac), and Yaaqov (Jacob) with his 12 sons, the trunk, and the standard that the Almighty gave to His people to govern His Kingdom, Israel with, is the Torah.

You say the Torah is done away, but it is written to Avraham in **B'resheet (Genesis) 17:1-2**,

**17:1** ...walk before Me and ***be blameless***,

**17:2** and I will make My covenant between Me and you.

And in **B'resheet (Genesis) 26:3-5** Adonai says to Yit'zak (Isaac),

**26:3** I will give to your descendants all these lands, and I will perform the oath given to your father, Avraham...

**26:4** and in your Seed (singular) all the nations of the earth shall be blessed,

**26:5** ***because Avraham obeyed My voice and guarded My hedge, My commandments, My appointed times, and My Laws.***

As it is also written concerning Elisheva (Elizabeth) and Zechar'yah (Zechariah), the parents of Yehochanan the Immerser (John the Baptizer) in **Luke 1:5-6**,

**1:6** ...they were both righteous before יהוה, walking in all the commandments and appointed times of יהוה ***blamelessly***.

When Yehochanan (John) the Immerser was born, his parents had him circumcised the 8th day, according to ***the covenant of Avraham***, at which time Zechar'yah, the Torah obedient father of Yehochanan (John), proceeded to prophesy, proclaiming in **Luke 1:68-79**,

**1:68** "Blessed be יהוה, God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people,

**1:69** and raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant, David...

**1:72** ...to perform the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant,

**1:73** the oath which He swore to our father Avraham...

**1:77** ...and to give the knowledge of salvation to His people by the remission of their sins."

And Miriam (Mary), the mother of Yeshua, said upon Yeshua's birth, in **Luke 1:54-55**,

**1:54** יהוה has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy,

**1:55** as He spoke to our fathers, to Avraham ***and to his Seed*** forever."

Miriam (Mary) and Yoseph also had Yeshua circumcised on the 8th day, in accordance with the covenant made with Avraham; and Miriam offered up sacrifices for her first-born, and observed the period of purification as commanded by Adonai in the Torah.

Yeshua and his parents observed Pesach (Passover), as it is written in **Luke 2:41**,

And Yeshua after being in the wilderness 40 days overcame temptation by standing on the commandments of Torah. Three of which are quoted as follow, as it is written in **Luke 4:1-13**,

1- Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God; **D'varim (Deuteronomy) 8:3**.

2- You shall worship יהוה your God and Him only shall you serve; **D'varim (Deuteronomy) 6:13**.

And,

3- You shall not tempt יהוה your God; **D'varim (Deuteronomy) 6:16**.

In **Luke 5:14**, Yeshua commanded the leper He just cleansed *to go make an offering for his cleansing as commanded by the Torah*.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Yeshua states in **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 5:17-19** that He did not come to do away with the Torah, or with the prophets, but to bring them out in fullness; and that not the least stroke of a pen will under any circumstance pass from the Torah until the heavens and the earth have passed away, and all things brought to completion.

Yeshua then states that whoever breaks the least of the commandments, and teaches others so, will be least in the Kingdom of Adonai.

If breaking the least of His commandments, and teaching others to do the same, will make one least in His Kingdom, what will become of those who break the greater of His commandments and teach others so?

I tell you they will be cast out into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

They will be cast out of the Wedding Feast because though they professed Yeshua as their Messiah, they were not wearing His wedding garments of righteousness acquired through faith and obedience, but wearing the filthy garments of personal opinions, disobedience, and self defined standards.

These are the ones who will say to Him in that day, "Master, Master, have we not prophesied in your Name, cast out demons in your Name, and done many miraculous works in your Name?"; and He will say, "Depart from Me, I never knew you, you workers of iniquity." **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 7:21-23**.

Iniquity is willful sin, and sin is violation of the Torah, of God's" Law". And He will say to them, "Depart from Me, I never knew you, you who intentionally violate Torah."

The Sermon on the Mount is interesting because Yeshua begins it by declaring that,

1- He did not come to do away with Torah, that

2- Not the least stroke of a pen in Torah will under any circumstance pass away until heaven and earth pass away. And to declare that,

3- Whoever breaks the least of the commandments of Torah and teaches others to do so will be called least in the Kingdom of יהוה.

Then He ends the sermon three chapters later by declaring, “Depart from me. I never knew you” to people who were professing to be believers, but whose professions were not combined with obedience to the Torah of Adonai! And what did Yeshua teach in those three chapters, in between those opening and closing statements? He taught the commandments of Torah.

He taught commandments directly from **Shemot (Exodus) 20:13-14, Shemot (Exodus) 21:14, from V'yikra (Leviticus) 19:18 and V'yikra (Leviticus) 24:20; from D'varim (Deuteronomy) 5:17-18, D'varim (Deuteronomy) 19:21 and D'varim (Deuteronomy) 24:1.**

He, likewise, taught many other commandments taken directly from principles taught in Torah, and taught those principles as commandments, in addition to those things that were already given as commandments prior.

In **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 23:2-3** Yeshua says,

**23:2** The scribes and Pharisees sit in the seat of Moshe (Moses),

**23:3** therefore whatever they tell you to observe [from Moshe], that observe and do.”

And for those of you who believe that faith is incompatible with Torah observance, Yeshua says in **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 23:23,**

**23:23** Woe to you scribes and Pharisees for you pay 1/10<sup>th</sup> of mint, and anise, and cumin, but have neglected ***the weightier matters of the Torah*** - justice, mercy ***and faith.***”

Yes, “faith.” ***The Torah*** teaches faith.

Then Yeshua goes on to say, after His resurrection, in **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 28:19-20,**

**28:19** Go and make disciples of the nations, immersing them in the Name of the Father, in the Name of the Son, and in the Name of the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit),

**28:20** teaching them to ***observe everything I have commanded you.***”

So what does “everything” include?

He taught them the Torah, and then commanded them to obey what He had taught them, and then commanded them to teach those among the nations, among the "gentiles", to do the same.

They kept the Feasts and other Appointed times. They observed the Sabbaths; they went to Synagogue and taught and studied from the Torah.

They obeyed the commandments of Adonai and His statutes and judgments, just like Avraham did, and just like Moshe (Moses) did; and just like the millions of other believers in the Torah and promises given to Avraham did prior to Yeshua's arrival.

Likewise, what did the Emissaries (Apostles) do after Yeshua left them after the resurrection? They went and celebrated Shavuot, which is called Feast of Weeks; otherwise known as “Pentecost” in Christian circles.

It seems very strange that they would be celebrating Shavuot if the Torah was done away; and even stranger yet that they would be blessed with the immersion (baptism) of the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) on that day, if it, indeed, had all been done away.

But celebrating they were, and immersed by the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) they were.

As it is written in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 2:1-4**,

**2:1** Now when the day of Shavuot had fully come, they were all together in one place.

**2:2** And suddenly there came a sound from Heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind. And it filled the whole residence where they were sitting.

**2:3** Then there appeared to them divided tongues as of fire, and one sat upon each of them,

**2:4** and they were all filled with the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) ...”

So what did they teach after this experience? That the Torah is now done away, contrary to Yeshua’s teachings? And contrary to the blessing of the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) they just received while observing a Feast commanded through Torah that was supposedly done away?

Of course not!

Is what they did teach was as is recorded in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 2:38-39**,

**2:38** Repent and be immersed (baptized) in the name of Yeshua for the remission of Torah violation (sin), and you shall receive the gift of the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit),

**2:39** For the Promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are far off.”

What Promise? The “Promise” given to Avraham. And repent of what? Of sin, of violating the Torah, for sin is the violation of Torah. **I Yehochanan (I John) 3:4**.

Also in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 3:1**, the Emissaries (Apostles) went to the Temple *during the hour of prayer*. And what did they teach? To “forsake the law of Moshe” that our entire nation and government is founded upon? Which would be the equivalent of asking an American to forsake the United States Constitution?

No. They taught once again, “Repent and be converted that your sins may be blotted out.”

Now if you know your history, you know that the early assembly was made up of Jews, and converts, and proselytes to the faith only; which means they were all Torah obedient.

That is, they all obeyed “God’s Law”. Just like the people of America obey American law; and as those of Britain obey British law; and those of China, Chinese law; and those of Arabia, Moslem law, etc...

Even so, the early assembly was made up of those who obeyed God’s Law; given to Avraham, revived through Moshe (Moses), and preserved through the southern Kingdom of Judah.

This is because the Torah was, and is, and always shall be, the law of the divinely ordained nation of Israel when it is being a faithful bride. To speak against the Torah is to speak against Israel; and against the God of Israel who ordained it.

And God's Law, the Torah, is not the "10 commandments" that the gentile church dreamed up in order to support their anti-Torah theology, but the first 5 books of Scripture - B'reshet (Genesis) through D'varim (Deuteronomy).

And as it says in **Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 2:3**, the Torah of יהוה shall go forth from Zion and the word of יהוה from Jerusalem.

As it is written in **Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 2:2-4**,

**2:2** And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of יהוה's House shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it.

**2:3** And many people shall go and say, "Come you, and let us go up to the mountain of יהוה, to the House of the God of Yaaqov (Jacob); and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths, for out of Zion shall go forth the Torah (the Law), and the word of יהוה from Jerusalem".

**2:4** And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people, and they shall beat their swords into farming equipment, and their spears into farm tools; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

Yes, the believers of the early assembly were all Torah obedient, because they were all law-abiding citizens of the nation of Israel whose Constitution was, and always shall be, the Torah which the nation of Israel was founded upon.

As such, to do away with the Torah, would be to do away with Israel, and with the God of Israel.

That is, for them, or for anyone, to teach that the Law of Adonai, which the Kodesh (holy, set-apart) nation of Israel was founded upon by Adonai Himself, had been, or is somehow "done away", would have been the same as teaching that the nation of Israel, and Adonai who created it, and the promises He gave to Avraham, were all, somehow, done away. For one is the divine authority and expression of the other.

I want this to be very clear before we proceed, that the nation of Israel was a religious nation, with a religious government, whose existence and authority were derived directly from Adonai Himself through the Torah and promises given to Avraham, revived through Moshe (Moses), and preserved through the Southern Kingdom of Judah.

When Yeshua was crucified, He was crucified for declaring Himself to be the Messiah, the King of the Jews; **Yehochanan (John) 19:19**, which by extension means the King of Israel.

When you become one with Messiah, you are becoming one with the royal leadership of Israel. You are becoming a faithful adherent to the Torah which was issued by Adonai Himself to be the Law of the land. You are becoming a follower of the teachings of Yeshua who was a Torah obedient (law-abiding) Jew, and the King of all who practice that same faith that He himself lived and taught.

The Scriptures state that Yeshua gave us an example that we should walk in it; **I Kepha (I Peter) 2:21-24**, and Yeshua's example was one of perfect Torah obedience.

You cannot claim to be one with the Kadosh (Holy, set-apart) Messiah and lead an un-kadosh (unholy, unset-apart) life. You cannot claim to be one with a Jewish Messiah and live as a pagan disciple.

You cannot claim to be one with a sinless Messiah and live a life of continued sin.

You cannot claim to be one with a Torah obedient Messiah and live a life contrary to Torah.

You cannot claim to believe in Messiah and remain a non-Israelite, a non-Torah observant person of the nations (a gentile).

If you are a believer, then you have been grafted into Israel, and as such are under the divine "Law", under the divine Torah of the King of Israel, ordained by Adonai Himself as the constitution of the nation of Israel.

I cannot think of a single religion on earth that actively teaches the exact opposite of the alleged founder of their religion other than those who claim to be following the so called "New Testament".

Buddhists follow the teachings of Buddha; Moslems the teachings of Mohammed; Hindus the teachings of Hinduism and so on. But when it comes to the theology of the modern "church", doctrine is often anything but what Yeshua taught.

Yeshua stated that not the smallest detail of the Torah would be done away until heaven and earth pass. And He, likewise, stated that heaven and earth would pass away, but that His words will never pass away.

But the "church" teaches it was all done away at the cross, and that His teachings only apply to Jews, not to "Christians" who profess to be followers of His teachings.

Yeshua went to synagogue on the Sabbath, but the "church" goes to church on Sunday, like the pagan sun-worshippers did.

Yeshua kept Pesach (Passover), but the "church" celebrates Isht-r and her egg-laying Isht-r bunny, like the pagans did.

Yeshua celebrated Pesach and Unleavened Bread with unleavened bread, but the "church" celebrates none of the holy days set-apart and ordained by Adonai in Scripture.

Yeshua kept Sukkot (Tabernacles), but they keep Halloween.

He kept Chanukah; **Yehochanan (John) 10:22**, the Feast of Dedication), but they keep the Roman Saturnalia Festival known today as Christ-**mass**; which becomes even more erroneous by the fact that mass is a ceremony held on behalf of the dead that are dwelling, or who are going to dwell, in the fictional place of purgatory, not on behalf of one's birthday. And Yeshua is not dead, or in the fictional place of purgatory, but is alive in Paradise, and preparing for the establishment of His Millennial Kingdom on earth!

Yeshua says, "Go and sin no more", but they say, "You are under 'grace' not under the Law", and therefore repentance becomes an option rather than a mandate.

Yeshua says obey the Torah given through Moshe (Moses), but the "church" obeys human traditions in place of Torah and calls **that** obedience.

Modern theology in effect teaches the exact opposite of what Yeshua taught. You don't believe me? Then read His teachings yourself. Obtain for yourself a red-letter edition of Scripture and look up His words. You'll find everything He taught was in perfect harmony with Torah, and came straight out of Torah.

There is one Creator, one universe, one nation, one people, and they are all governed by one law, one standard; and that is the standard of Torah, spoken by the very mouth of Adonai Himself, and His children hear His voice.

In **Ma'aseh (Acts) 5:25-42**, the Emissaries (Apostles) taught in the Temple in the Name of Yeshua, and were kicked out of the Temple for teaching in His Name, not for teaching that the Torah was done away. No, they were teaching that the One they crucified was the Messiah and that He had come to give ***repentance and remission of sins*** to Israel.

There it is again, remission of sins to Israel.

Not to the heathen who continue practicing paganism, or to those who Christianize paganism in the name of Christ, but to give repentance and remission of sin to the natural olive tree of Israel, and to those wild olive tree branches who are being grafted into the natural olive tree through the Torah of Adonai, and Testimony of Yeshua.

To the Torah and the Testimony, if anyone does not speak according to these words, it is because they have no light in them; **Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 8:16-20**.

To be a "believer" means *to become one with Messiah*, and therefore one with Israel. You are but one member of many in the body of Messiah, who is the head of the body of Israel.

Throughout Ma'aseh (Acts) it states plainly that they, as believers in Yeshua, went to synagogue every Sabbath.

What is the main function of the synagogue? It is to worship Adonai, and to learn His commandments.

As it is written in **Kohelet (Ecclesiastes) 12:13-14**,

**12:13** *Reverence יהוה and obey His commandments*, for this is the ***whole duty of mankind***,

**12:14** for God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, whether it is good or whether it is evil.

So that's what synagogues did, was teach how to reverence Adonai and obey His commandments.

Even after Kepha's (Peter's) vision, [which Adonai presented to Kepha (Peter) to let him know it was acceptable to fellowship with the uncircumcised believers who had not yet officially converted], the Emissaries (Apostles) still continued to go to synagogue.

As it is written in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 13:5**,

**13:5** And when they arrived in Salamis they preached the word of יהוה in the synagogues.

And in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 13:14**,

**13:14** They came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and sat down.

When was the last time you stepped into a synagogue to teach or learn the Gospel?



Notice, this is all after the resurrection, and after the vision which Kepha (Peter) received at least 10 years after the resurrection, that the Sabbath was still being observed.

And these uncircumcised people of the nations (these gentiles) that were in the city of Antioch almost a decade after the resurrection **were where** when the Emissaries (Apostles) came to minister to them? **In the synagogues, on the Sabbath.**

So what are the Emissaries (Apostles), and these uncircumcised people of the nations (gentiles), all doing going to the synagogue for, and keeping the Sabbath for, if it all was done away?

This brings up the point of Kepha's (Peter's) vision.

People love to use this vision to say that it's okay now to eat pigs, rats, bats, flies, cockroaches, and maggots. But the interpretation of the vision is plainly given in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 10:28** where it says,

**10:28** you know how it is against Torah for a Jewish man to fellowship with, or to go to one of another nation; but יהוה has shown me that I should not call **any man** common or unclean.

**Ma'aseh (Acts) 11:1-18** repeats this explanation of the vision.

Also, in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 10:14** Kepha (Peter), after seeing the sheet of unclean things, and being commanded to slay and eat, he says,

**10:14** ...Not so Master, for I have never eaten anything common or unclean.

What an odd comment to make 8-10 years after the resurrection, 8-10 years after the law of the divinely appointed government of Israel was supposedly "nailed to the cross."

And even odder yet, that the statement would be made by one individual of twelve, chosen from among the hundreds of millions of people in the earth to represent His Name and teachings.

There is only one reason why Kepha (Peter) made this statement. It is because the Torah was not done away at the cross.

That's why in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 10:28**, ~10 years after the resurrection, Kepha (Peter) is quoting the Torah; saying it is unlawful for an adherent of the faith to have table fellowship with (to dine with) one of another nation.

The point of fellowship, likewise, brings up **Ma'aseh (Acts) 15:14-21** where the new uncircumcised gentile believers were required to obey four basic tenets of Torah before their profession and immersion (baptism) into the faith could be accepted as valid.

Yes, four critical commandments had to be applied before table fellowship could be established with them as valid believers. Three of those commandments came straight out of the Torah, and one out of the Oral Law known today as the Talmud.

**1** - Not to worship idols;

**2** - Not to eat blood;

**3** - Not to eat animals that had been killed through strangulation, and

**4** - Not to engage in sexual immorality.

Commandments 1,2 and 4 came straight out of Torah, and commandment 3 a judgment of the Oral Law - and all four of these commandments are directly stated in opposition to practices inherent in the pagan rituals that the new believers were professing to be forsaking. And take note that only 2 of them are part of the so called "10 commandments".

So, another way put is, before "table" fellowship could be established, the new believer had to demonstrate clearly that they were committed to serving Adonai, the God of Israel only, and to serving no other beside Him.

That is, they were being required to show fruits of repentance.

And if they demonstrated these four sacrifices of obedience, these four fruits of repentance, then it was declared sufficient evidence to validate their profession of faith in Yeshua as sincere; and as **Ma'aseh (Acts) 15:21** states, they could learn the rest of the commandments of Torah at the synagogues each Sabbath thereafter as they grew and matured in the Faith.

So the Torah is clearly not being taught as done away by any means.

More evidence of Torah obedience among the believers from the nations (gentile believers) is as follows.

In **Ma'aseh (Acts) 16:1-3**, Shaul (Paul) had Timothy, who was a convert from the nations (a gentile convert), circumcised.

And **Ma'aseh (Acts) 18:1-4**, Shaul reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, in order to persuade both Jews and Greeks that Yeshua was the Messiah.

These events now are more like 18 years past the resurrection, and approximately 8 years after Kepha's (Peter's) vision, and the Greeks are still sitting in the synagogues on the Sabbath, side by side with the Jews, to learn the Torah and to listen to Shaul (Paul) teach that Yeshua is the Messiah of Israel.

In **Ma'aseh (Acts) 18:18**, Shaul (Paul) takes a Nazarite vow, which requires the hair to be shaved off the head and an animal sacrifice to be offered up. **B'midbar (Numbers) 6:1-21**.

In **Ma'aseh (Acts) 18:21**, Shaul (Paul) presents a determination and eagerness to be in Jerusalem in time for the Feast.

In **Ma'aseh (Acts) 20:16** Shaul (Paul) seeks to be in Jerusalem in time for Shavuot (Pentecost), and as it is written in **Ma'aseh (Acts) 21:20** concerning his visit,

**21:20** ...you see brother Shaul (Paul) how many tens of thousands of Jews there are who believe, and they are all zealous for the Torah.

They were all zealous for the Torah? That's like saying they're all on fire for the Torah, or that they're all passionate for the Torah; but yet these passionate lovers of Torah are all believers in Yeshua as the Messiah, over a decade and a half after the resurrection, and over a decade after the people of the nations (the gentiles) began being grafted in apart from the Temple sacrifices.

But they had been informed by gossipers that Shaul (Paul) taught contrary to the Torah, *and so, to prove to them that these rumors about him were **not** true*, he proceeded to join himself with four of these Torah obedient believers in Messiah by taking a Nazarite vow with them, to be purified with them, to make the appropriate offering with them, and to pay their expenses for them concerning their vows.

Be rest assured, there is only one Gospel.

From the time of Adam to the time of the end, there has always been, and always will be, only one Gospel. It is the same yesterday, today and forever; and like its Author, it changes not.

If Shaul (Paul) taught anything contrary to what Yeshua taught, if he taught there was one Gospel for the Jews and another for the people of the nations (the gentiles), then he was a false teacher, teaching a false Gospel.

But Shaul (Paul) himself says that if anyone teaches another Gospel, then let them be cursed. And I say the same to you.

So, let me leave you with a few thoughts to chew.

Are you a sinner? If you profess to be a believer, then you have confessed yourself to be a sinner.

And if you have confessed yourself to be a sinner, then you have confessed yourself to be a violator of the Torah; because that is what sin is - the violation of Torah; **I Yehochanan (I John) 3:4.**

I find it interesting that **Yehochanan (John)** in **verse 3:4** had to clarify this fact, decades after the resurrection, because the definition of sin has been known by our people since the beginning of time. Perhaps the letter was written to a predominantly gentile assembly, who needed reminding of that which was obvious to the Jew.

Whatever the case, you, as a believer, have confessed yourself to be a sinner, a violator of the Torah, of "God's Law". And Adonai has told you, has told everyone, to repent. And to repent means to stop sinning, that is, to stop violating the Torah, to stop violating God's standard defining for us what is right and what is wrong.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 3:6-9** says,

**3:6** Whoever is in Yeshua does not practice sin (does not practice violation of Torah). Whoever habitually violates the Torah has not seen Him or known Him.

**3:7** Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous as He is righteous.

**3:8** He who habitually violates the Torah is of the devil...

**3:9** Whoever has been born of **יְהוָה** does not continue to violate Torah...

Now I must say, if the Torah was "nailed to the cross" at the resurrection, then it becomes a very strange thing for the Emissary (Apostle) Yehochanan (John) to say these things several decades after the Torah was supposedly done away; and done away contrary to Yeshua's teaching at that.

And even stranger, is that if this was an erroneous and false teaching of the Emissary (Apostle) Yehochanan (John), that Yeshua would turn around and give him the vision of the Book of the Revelation.

We need to wake up and stop allowing ourselves to be spoon fed the Accuser's version of the Gospel.

I tell you, I know a man who was in the homosexual scene for eight years, and who engaged in homosexual acts for about twenty years. But by combining his faith in Yeshua with obedience to Adonai's commandments, he is now free and joyfully married with two children.

I know a man who abused drugs, and narcotics, and alcohol, for 23 years, and who was a drug dealer as well, but through the Torah of Adonai and the Testimony of Yeshua His Son, he has now been free for 31 years.

I know a man who used to smoke, but through the Torah and the Testimony, he has not smoked for 25 years.

I know a man who was addicted to pornography, but through the Torah and the Testimony, he is now free.

I know a man who used to steal, but through the Torah and the Testimony, he now works for his meals.

I know a man who used to have a foul mouth, but through the Torah and the Testimony, now praises come out.

I know a man who used to cross-dress, but through the Torah and the Testimony, he's now a man at his best.

I know a man who used to engage in prostitution, but through the Torah and the Testimony, he is now a new creation.

I know a man who was a sex addict, in bondage to sin, yes he was. But Yeshua once said that if you know Him, then you'll know the truth, and through the truth, you'll be set free.

And through the Torah of Adonai and the Testimony of Yeshua, the truth has indeed set him free. For the men I've described in this list up above is all the same man, set free in His love.

Yes, the commandments of Adonai are truth, His Torah is truth, and the Testimony of His Son, the Messiah Yeshua, is truth. And the truth set this man free. And this man's testimony is a witness to all, that those born of Adonai, do indeed, no longer willfully sin.

Yeshua says in the Book of the **Revelation, chapters 2 & 3,**

To him who overcomes, I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of יהוה...

He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death...

To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna to eat, and I will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it...

He who overcomes and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the potter's vessels shall be broken to pieces, as I have also received from my Father. And I will give him the morning star.

He who overcomes I will make him a pillar in the Temple of My Father, and he shall go out no more, and I will write on him the Name of My Father and the name of the city of My Father, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My Father, and I will write on him My new name.

To him who overcomes, I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father in His throne.

It is he who endures to the end who shall receive salvation; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 24:13.**

It is they who obey His commandments who shall have the right to the tree of life and who may enter in through the gates of the City; **Revelation 22:14.**

Likewise, it is only those who continue in sin, those who are of corrupt character, the sorcerers, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idol worshippers, those who love and practice lies - the unrepentant, who are left outside of the gates of the city; **Revelation 22:15.**

Therefore, love יהוה with all your thoughts, soul, and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself, **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 22:37-39;** as even the Torah teaches us to do.

Repent so that your Torah violation (sins) may be blotted out.

Celebrate Pesach (Passover), and do not worship idols or graven images.

Do not lust after your neighbor's wife.

Do not mistreat or oppress a foreigner or stranger.

Do not kidnap your brother.

Do not condemn the innocent, or let the guilty go free.

Do not practice hypocrisy.

Owe no one any debt.

Do not worship, or bow down to, any other gods.

Give honor to the elderly.

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