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Dear brothers and sisters in Messiah,

Shalom! שלום

"Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of Jehovah unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

זְכַרְיָה 4:6 "וַיֹּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר-יְהוָה אֶל-זְרֻבָּבֶל לֵאמֹר לֹא בִמְחִיל וְלֹא בִכֹּחַ כִּי אִם-בְּרוּחִי אֶמֶר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. Proverbs 14:12. In writing these words, Solomon, the king of Israel, reminded his people not to neglect God and His ways, which leads to life and not to death. This verse came home to Irene and myself as we recently had the opportunity to lead a group trip to the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum in Kentucky, USA. In our collective daily devotions we read from the first six chapters of Genesis, the creation of the world in Genesis 1-2, the fall of man into sin in Genesis 3, the godly and the un-godly lines in Genesis 4-5, and the judgment of the flood that God sent in Genesis 6. In our visits to the museums and in our meditations, one thing was sure, and that was the fact that God is always right, and that His word is always true. Solomon's father, King David proclaimed in Psalm 119:160. **Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.** The apostle Paul continued in giving the same godly advice to the believers in the city of Rome by saying, **...let God be true, but every man a liar...** Romans 3:4. But, praise be to God, who found delight in mankind and provided for us a way of salvation through our Lord *Yeshua* the Messiah, the seed of the woman, who defeated satan when He died a substitutionary death for us. **For Messiah also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:** 1 Peter 3:18.



A few weeks ago, the Lord opened the door to participate in a live radio discussion aired on WDCX in Buffalo, pertaining to the move of the US Embassy in Israel, from the city of Tel-Aviv to Jerusalem, the capital city of Israel. The question was raised as to whether or not the Land of Israel, and the city of Jerusalem belong to the Jewish people? This has been the subject of dispute by many around the world, including world leaders. Unfortunately, even Christians do not see eye to eye on this matter, there are so many different opinions, views and interpretations by bible believers about this subject. We believe that the Word of God gives us an answer to this question, as Scripture clearly indicates that God gave, unconditionally, the Land to the people of Israel, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, as an everlasting possession. Already, in one of the early promises made by God to Abraham and his descendants, we read, **And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God,** Genesis 17:7-8. Scripture is filled with evidence that this Land was given by God to His people Israel, not because His earthly people deserve the land, or because Israel is always obedient to God, but because God Himself made this choice, to whom all the earth, and this land belong. Speaking to Israel He said, **for the land is mine, for ye are strangers and sojourners with me.** Leviticus

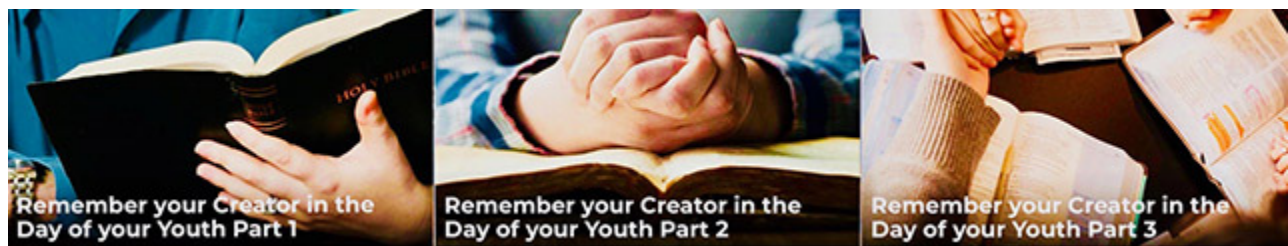


25:23b. God did not ask the opinion of Abraham, or of any man, when He made this promise. God is sovereign and can do as He pleases, it is important for all of us to accept what God says in His Word. If one does not believe and accept the Word of God in relation to His people Israel, how can one accept the promises of God in relation to the assembly, the church. God clearly, and unconditionally said to Abraham, **I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.** We are confident that God will bring to pass every promise that He made to His people, whether it is to His earthly

people Israel, or to His heavenly people, the assembly, the church. This will surely happen, even

though none of us is deserving of all that God has promised to those who are His people. Should you wish to listen to this discussion, you can access it by going to this link, <http://www.holyscripturesandisrael.com/radio/#interviews>

We were very thankful to know that our series on the book of Ecclesiastes was featured for a full month on the front page of TWR360, which resulted in our receiving positive feedback from listeners who enjoyed the ministry. <https://www.twr360.org/ministry/375/holy-scriptures-and-israel/> It is encouraging to receive good responses from those who listen to our radio programs through the internet, such as this one from New Delhi, India. *Dear Sir/Madam, I have listened to some of the inspirational interviews of Gideon. There are of great spiritual value. They are helping my family and myself to lead a good life. Listening live stream audio via the internet radio gives me the opportunity to listen to my favourite programmes at my free time. I am thankful to Holy Scriptures and Israel to show me the right way to live a fulfilling and happy life. The Word of God through the Gospels is a great messenger of goodness, motivation and encouragement. I can understand the good from the evil that presently fills up most of the world. I am a retired senior Govt official and a believer in our Saviour, the Lord. I would be happy to hear more about you. God Bless.* It is also encouraging to hear from listeners to the radio ministry as well, this came from a listener to our early morning program on WDCX Buffalo, NY. This dear listener wrote, *Hello Brother Gideon, I just wanted to tell you that I look forward to your radio program every morning at 5:30 a.m., while I am driving to work. I enjoy listening to you preach the Word. I have been a Christian for many years, and get SO much out of God's Word spoken through you! Keep up God's good work! God Speed...*



Recently our booklet "Response to anti Missionaries" which was published in English, has now been translated into French by one of our brethren in France. This booklet was written in 2001, as a response to a booklet entitled "The Jewish Response to Missionaries," which was written by a Jewish Rabbi who opposes the gospel and the person of our Lord *Yeshua* the Messiah, and was circulated in many cities. In response to this booklet I have sought to show from scriptures that *Yeshua* - Jesus is indeed the Messiah. We are now looking into reprinting this booklet, in both English and French. It is currently available on the Holy Scriptures and Israel website. Our prayer is that the Lord will use it to help those of our Jewish people who have questions, to see from the Hebrew Scriptures that the Messiah of Israel is the Lord *Yeshua*.

In our local ministry, things are continuing on well by the grace of God. The Lord sustains Irene and myself and we are blessed to be able to serve the Lord *Yeshua*, both in our local assembly in Niagara-on-the-Lake, and in our outreach meetings of Holy Scriptures and Israel, in Toronto. The summer months are ahead of us, and as the Lord leads, we will be participating in young people meetings, bible camp and ministry meetings in various assemblies, sharing the Word with those with whom will be in touch. We are also in the midst of preparation for the Bible teaching trip to Israel, which will take place in October in the will of the Lord, registration has begun and we look to the Lord for His guidance.



Thank you dear brothers and sisters for your love and for your faithful prayers for us, as we continue on in serving the Lord one step at a time. We were just reminded, when speaking with a sister in the Lord, who lives in Israel, of one of the lines from the poem written by C.T. Studd. *Only one life, twill soon be past, only what is done for Christ, (for*

Messiah,) will last. How good to know that our lives are in the hand of God, and along with king David we can say, **My times are in thy hand.** Psalm 31:15a.

Please pray for:

- The Holy Scriptures and Israel.
- The Bible teaching of radio and websites.
- The radio and website listeners.
- The Toronto weekly meetings.
- The Lord to use the booklet response to anti missionaries.
- The upcoming summer activities.
- Our salvation of our people Israel.
- Our fiscal health and strength.
- **Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.** Psalm 122:6

"For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."
Isaiah 62:1

God bless you.

In Messiah,

Aileen & Irene

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