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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 "וַיַּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל זְרֻבָבֶל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בִכֹּחַ כִּי אִם-בְּרוּחִי אָמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

How thankful to our God and His beloved Son, our Lord Jesus the Messiah, we ought to be, for daily bestowing His grace toward us. The LORD taught Moses and the children of Israel, the truth of His grace, when He gave His Law to the nation. Moses, when he was on Mount Sinai receiving the Law / Torah, learned that the Holy God of Israel, is also the God of all Grace, even after Israel broke the very first commandment of the Law, **Thou shalt have no other gods before me**, Exodus 20:3. The LORD uttered this proclamation before Moses, saying, **The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, long suffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children to the third and the fourth generation. Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.** Exodus 34:6-7.

This recorded biblical event in the history of our forefathers, is so precious to our hearts, that a Holy God, who cannot look upon sin, said of Himself that He is **merciful and gracious, long suffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin**. This proclamation by God Himself, became a song which for generations has been sung by our people, it is a song that is inscribed in my mind and heart,

which I can never forget. As little children we sang this song of our gracious God, in our homes and synagogues, especially during the Day of Atonement, YOM KIPPUR, when we sought forgiveness for our sins. How wonderful that this same God of Grace came down to this world, in the person of His Son, to take upon Himself our Sin and sins. May He help us to never forget that we are saved by His grace, through faith in the Lord Jesus the Messiah, alone. Ephesians 2:8.

We would like to share with you some of the ways in which the Lord has been opening doors, for your prayers. We recently received a call from a believer in Niagara on the Lake who is a listener of our Holy Scriptures and Israel radio program, asking us to pray for Michael, a Jewish man he had introduced me to before Covid hit. Apparently, Michael was quite distraught, as his wife was in the hospital with a serious condition and in danger of losing her life. We prayed together over the phone, for the physical and spiritual healing of Michael and his wife. This Jewish couple are not, as yet, believers in Jesus the Messiah, but he is willing to listen, and we know that God is able. After praying, we read the verse from Ephesians 3:20, **Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that work in us.** Interestingly, just days after this phone call, I went to our local clinic to do a blood test and by divine design this very Jewish fellow for whom we had prayed was standing in line waiting to do a blood test as well. Thankfully, he was happy to see me and since we were the only ones there, we were able to have an intimate conversation about his wife, her needs, and the reality that we all need to turn to the Lord Jesus the Messiah, before it is too late. I pointed to some scriptures where the Hebrew Prophets foretold the coming of the promised Messiah. My Jewish friend told me that our meeting was no coincidence, and that he would like to continue our conversation sometime in the near future. Please remember to pray for the health and salvation of Michael and his dear wife.



Also, dear brother Lance from the Brawley Assembly in California connected me with a nice Jewish man called Yitshak, in English his name is Isaac. Yitshak was in Brawley for the purpose of planting and growing a fruit called, Etrog - אֶתְרוֹג in the vicinity of Brawley. Etrog is a yellow citrus fruit used by the people of Israel during the feast of Tabernacles / Sukkot, as one of the

four species commanded by the LORD to be part of the celebration of the Feast of Booths, mentioned in Leviticus 23:40. **And you shall take for yourselves on the first day the fruit of beautiful trees, branches of palm trees, the boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days.** The Lord gave me some 15-20 minutes to speak with Yitshak, a Hassidic, conservative Jewish man. Yitshak was gracious as he spoke with me, showing his concern for me as a fellow Jew. He asked me if I had recited the SHEMAH that morning. He was referring to the SHEMAH ISRAEL passage, found in Deuteronomy 6:4, which says, Hear, O Israel, The LORD our God is one LORD. It is a call by God, to Israel, to remember that He alone is One LORD, and that we, Israel, are to worship Him only and not another, unlike the other nations who worship many gods. It is recited faithfully every morning, by observant Jews. I must say that it was very moving for me to see His concern for my soul. During the conversation I shared with Yitzhak about *Yeshua* the Messiah, and told him that I was a Jewish believer in *Yeshua* the Messiah. Yitshak was not too pleased with this, as the subject of the person of Jesus and His claim to be divine is one of the greatest obstacles for our Jewish people. Just as Isaiah foretold, **He will be as a sanctuary, But a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, As a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.** Isaiah 8:14. Please remember Yitshak in your prayers.

We were encouraged to receive through our Holy Scriptures and Israel website, this simple note from a Christian who listens to our Bible teaching on the site. He wrote, **First let me say that after thirty- one years of being a Christian, I have finally found the true connection between Jesus and my role as a Christian.** We responded and asked him what in particular had made the connection for him, he replied, I would say it is the cross reference to the Old Testament that did it for me. Your step by step meticulous approach in providing a basis for those themes mentioned in the book of the Revelation opened up for me a misconception that the book of the Revelation was only intended to be read and or listened to. Your teaching on the Book cleared that up rather quickly. Therefore, I am carefully going through the messages and I reckon it might take me upwards of six to eight months before I am completely comfortable with the material in the Book. Thanks again. Please do not stop.

The Lord continues to bless His work, and we are encouraged as we regularly receive inquiries regarding our Bible studies and outreach meetings. We praise God for His help with the radio, websites, and the ability to furnish a setting whereby any who wish to be under the sound of the Word of God is welcome to join us through Zoom.

We recently received this request from a home group desiring to attend some of our meetings. We are from the area, and are wondering if you are currently doing your 1pm Sat Shabbat service, if so, are there any restrictions, new protocols due to Covid 19, etc. We were introduced to your ministry through a very unconventional way - making ourselves available to someone at just the most opportune time. The Lord answers prayer and He does so quickly. We have been wanting to find others with like minds and hearts for both the Lord and His people - Israel. We would like to know if your services are still in operation before we make the trek to Toronto. There would be five of us in total... We wrote back informing them that we were not meeting in Toronto due to Covid and that we were holding our meetings via Zoom. They responded saying, they would greatly enjoy joining our online meetings and that they were a residential discipleship home for men, who have been freed from controlling issues/addictions by the grace and truth of our Lord *Yeshua*. We were happy to have them join us for our meeting this past Saturday.



We continue to record each week a Bible teaching message, taught from a Hebrew-Messianic perspective, and make these messages available on both YouTube and Facebook. We trust that the Lord will use them for the benefit of anyone who will be willing to watch and listen including Jewish individuals who may seek some spiritual help. We have found this avenue to be very helpful in reaching a wider audience, below is the latest message on the parables which has been posted. This week's new parable is The Parable of the Divided Kingdom (Part Two) (מִשְׁלַּל הַמַּמְלָכָה הַנִּחְלָקֶת, חֵלֶק 2)

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Irene and I appreciate those of you, dear brothers and sisters, who faithfully pray and support us in this ministry. We give thanks to the Lord for His Grace, to Him be the glory. **For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.** Romans 11:36.

Please pray for:

- Our weekly Zoom meetings.
- The radio, website and YouTube outreach.
- Those who attend our Bible classes.
- Yitshak, the Hassidic Jew I spoke with.
- Michael, and his wife who is very sick.
- Irene, me and our families.
- **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,

A. Meon & Irene