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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 "וַיֵּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר-יְהוָה אֶל-זְרֻבְבָּל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בְכֹחַ כִּי אִם-בְּרוּחִי אֶמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

We are grateful to the Lord, dear brothers and sisters, for your faithful prayers and the many ways that you have been an encouragement to us in the ministry which the Lord Jesus the Messiah has set before us. The apostle Shaul / Paul knew very well how to encourage the people of God, when he wrote these uplifting words to the brethren in Corinth, **Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.** 1 Corinthians 15:58.

As you all know, Ontario is in extended lockdown until May 20th and we're told that things look grim in our hospitals. We continue to hear of those recently infected and of those who work so tirelessly to save them. We ask for special prayer for Sarah, a daughter of dear friends of ours. Sarah has recently become a nurse and is currently working in the hospital with Covid patients. Sarah loves the Lord and we would ask for His special protection as she cares for those who are sick. Please remember to pray for all our frontliners. We have dear friends in the police force who daily face difficult situations and we pray that they will be sustained and preserved from harm. We are thankful for the liberties enjoyed thus far in this country, and pray that they will continue to be upheld. Above all, may each one of us strive to be a light shining in the darkness, portraying the love of the Lord Jesus, our Messiah.

In spite of many hindrances and restrictions, the Lord has allowed us to continue to minister the Word through the radio and the internet, and for this we praise our God. Our three weekly Bible studies on Zoom continue to be well attended, for many, this is the only avenue they have to study the Word and have some fellowship with other believers. We like to take a little time before our studies begin to have some fellowship together and take the opportunity to share any concerns for prayer. What a blessing it is to be able to hold each other up in prayer and to encourage one another in these difficult times. Indeed, we can say with the psalmist, **For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.** Psalm 100:5.



In the will of the Lord, we plan to live stream our Saturday / Shabbat ministry meetings on the social media platforms of [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#). Presently, these weekly meetings are held on Zoom. In preparation for live streaming, we are looking to acquire suitable recording and converting equipment, in order to present the Word in broadcast quality. We plan, with the help of the Lord, to have these bible teaching messages posted, and remain on our Holy Scriptures and Israel channels for the benefit of any who may wish to view them later on. Presently, we post a new bible teaching video each week on these platforms, our latest video recorded is **The Parable of the Laborers**

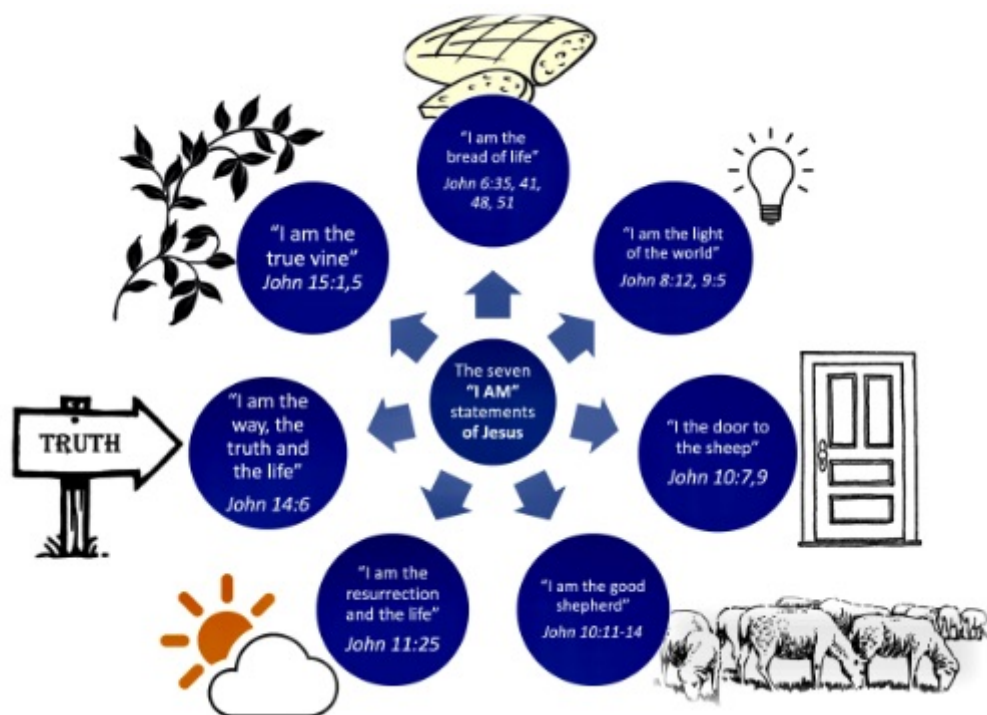
in the Vineyard (מִשַּׁל הַפּוֹעָלִים שֶׁבְּכֶרֶם). Please pray with us as we prepare these Bible teachings, our desire is to present the gospel of our Lord Jesus the Messiah from an Hebrew Messianic perspective.

The past couple of weeks has seen the Jewish community in Israel, and around the world, pause in order to remember three important dates in its recent history. The first was *Yom Ha-Shoah*, - יום השואה, the Holocaust Memorial Day, remembering the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis some 80 years ago. The second was *Yom Ha-Zikaron*, - יום הזכרון, Remembrance Day, which follows some days later, remembering the thousands of Israelis who have been killed in defending Israel, and the third was *Yom Ha-Atzmaut*, - יום העצמאות, Independence Day, with Israel celebrating 73 years of independence.

Since the days of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and later on Joshua, there has always been a Jewish presence living in the Promised Land yet amazingly, it is only 73 years since Israel became a state which was recognized as a nation among the nations of the world, living once again in their God given land. Many Jews of the diaspora were awakened by the Lord, as were my grandparents on both sides of my parents, to go and return back to their homeland. This after 2000 years of *GALUT* - גָּלוּת, / dispersion, which happened in 70 A.D., when the Romans destroyed Jerusalem and its Temple, taking it's people captive. While we praise God for the physical restoration of Israel, we long for the spiritual and physical re-birth of the nation of Israel which will take place at the second coming of our Lord Jesus the Messiah. The prophet Hosea wrote in chapter 6:2-3. **Come, and let us return to the LORD. For He has torn, but He will heal us. He has stricken, but He will bind us up. After two days He will revive us. On the third day He will raise us up, That we may live in His sight.**



In our March newsletter we asked you to pray, as we were preparing for our annual outreach gospel meeting during the Feast of Passover. We wish to thank you for your prayers, the Lord blessed us and we were happy to have many join us for the ministry of the Word and the presentation of Christ / Messiah in the Passover. We were also very happy to have some Jewish guests attend, some which have requested to receive invitations for our Zoom Bible studies. We pray that the Lord will use these studies to open their eyes and draw them to Himself. **For Isaiah says, LORD, who has believed our report. So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.** Romans 10:16B-17. For those of you who could not attend the Zoom meeting we have prepared a video presentation which you can watch on our Holy Scriptures and Israel YouTube channel, just click on [this link](#) to view the video.



As for our Saturday / Shabbat ministry meeting, we have arrived to the tenth chapter of the gospel of John, where we read one of the most striking statements which *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah made, His statement was, *I and My Father are One*, - אֲנִי וְהָאֵב אֶחָד, found in John 10:30. By this startling statement, which our Lord proclaimed before the spiritual leaders of Israel, He claimed to be divine, and to be equal to God the Father and God the Holy Spirit. The subject of the Triunity of the Godhead and the divinity of *Yeshua* / Jesus the Man, is an essential truth that one must grasp and clearly understand. We are enjoying immensely to read together the sevenfold I AM statements which Jesus our Messiah said of Himself in the gospel of John. How wonderful it is for each of our brothers and sisters to understand the greatness of the person of our Lord *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah, God the Son, who is the very God of Israel who spoke to Moses from the bush saying. **I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.** Exodus 3:14B.

As we look forward, we trust that the Lord will encourage each of us and give us the needed grace and strength for the way. **The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14.

Please pray for:

- The virus situation in Ontario.
- Our young sister Sarah.
- Our frontliners in the police force.
- The Radio and Website outreach.
- The Weekly Bible classes.
- The needed 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,

G. Leon & Irene



Please pray for Israel to open their hearts and see Yeshua our Messiah who said, "I am the light of the world." John 8:12