# Yeshua/Jesus REVEALED throughout Old Testament



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**Summary**: Most of us may miss dozens of passages **in the Old Testament** that point to Christ as Savior, the promised Messiah and returning King of Kings. This teaching will give numerous examples we might otherwise read right over. You will appreciate Christ more than ever and be excited to see him glorified from Genesis onwards.

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Hello everyone. Did you realize that so much of the Old Testament we may be reading right over actually reveals and points to the Son of God as our Savior?

Welcome everyone. I'm Philip Shields, one of God's forgiven sinners who is now a part of his Family, as you are. What a wonderful Abba (Daddy) we have, who just happens to be God MOST High, God Almighty.

And today we're going to be speaking of Jesus, Yeshua of Nazareth, Son of God. He is so praised, written about, sung about, worshiped in the Old Testament that most people read right over.

# Opening Prayer praising Father and Yeshua. (It's on the audio)

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It is not uncommon that many Christians believe the God of the Old Testament was not so kind. To many, that God was probably the one we know as the Father, *they* say. But in fact, The Tanakh – the Hebrew scriptures, the Old Testament – speak volumes about our Messiah. I want to glorify our King and Savior by revealing how the Old Testament pointed constantly to Him.

Ancient Israel eventually became 2 houses: the House of Israel and House of Judah. They even sometimes went to war against each other. <u>But both houses failed to recognize or see their Messiah in their Hebrew scriptures</u>. Are you seeing him in the Old Testament scriptures? Even his very NAME is all through the Old Testament. So let's get started.

WHY do we need this topic: Paul's greatest quest was "that I may KNOW HIM and the power of HIS resurrection" (Phil 3:9-11). When you understand this sermon today the whole Old Testament, the Hebrew Scriptures, will come alive to you as never before and you will be praising your Yeshua, your Jesus, as never before.

#### The name "Yeshua" is used for "salvation" over and over

**For example, let's start with the very NAME we know today as "Jesus,"** or as his Hebrew mama would have called him – *Yeshua* – meaning "salvation" or "YHWH is salvation". That word, that name *is all through the Old Testament*. In fact they SANG to him, without realizing it – and they still do – at their Passover services or Seder.

The English name and pronunciation "Jesus" was never spoken or written as such til the 1600's, by the way. But when you use his correct Hebrew name, whole scriptures will spring to life.

Or if you or your group chooses the man-made name spelled "Yahshua" to force the name "Yah" into Christ's name, you'll miss whole sections of scripture pointing to Messiah by name, by Yeshua, which I'll show in just a couple more minutes. Because the Old Testament scriptures speak of "salvation" using the Hebrew word "yeshua" in the original Hebrew text, most people miss how so many scriptures are naming him by name. This will become more clear as we go along.

# Jews often sang what they called the "Hallel" -- Psalms 113-118 at Passover, Pentecost and Feast of Tabernacles.

When we read Matthew 26:30 – "when they had sung a hymn", they were singing or chanting the Hallel, the hymns of praise. But CJB says "when they had sung the Hallel". Hallel means praise. So Hallelu Yah means "Let's us Praise Yah!" They didn't just sing "a hymn" – they "Hymned", they sang the Hallel – Psalm 113-118.

But right there, they were praising HIS NAME – Yeshua.

# Remember in many places where we read "salvation" in our English Bibles – the Hebrew word for salvation is "yeshua".

And Yeshua is the correct way to say his original name given by the angel to Mary – but you'll miss all this I'm about to show you if you tamper with his name and try to artificially insert "YAH" into his name – like Yahshua – a man-made name and invention. But in the Hebrew, **Strong's word #3444** is "yeshua" when you read "salvation" in so many places. Let me show you a few.

## **Psalms 116:13**

"I will take up the cup of salvation (yeshua), And call upon the name of YHVH."

Yeshua was also YHVH. YHVH molded Adam from the dirt – Gen 2. YHVH was the one who came visibly and had lunch with Abraham (Genesis 18). But no one has seen the Father, so that had to be the Word, who became flesh as Jesus Christ (John 1:14). See my 2 sermons on "Was it the Father, the Son or Both?"

At his Last Supper, Jesus told his disciples to take and drink of his cup, remember? <u>Matthew 26:27</u> – He took the cup, gave thanks and told them all to drink of it, as it was the New covenant in his blood. And all that was prophesied right here **Ps 116:13** – "I will take up the cup of yeshua (salvation)."

The Son of God, their GOD and Savior, was "hiding" in plain sight!

### **Psalms 16:5**

"YHVH, You are the portion of my inheritance and my CUP; You maintain my lot."

## Psalms 118:14

"YHVH is my strength and song, And **HE has become my salvation**." (my Yeshua)

#### Psalms 118:21

"I will praise You,

For You have answered me,

And have become my yeshua (salvation)."

Are you getting what I'm saying? At the 3 pilgrim feasts each year, these songs of Hallel (Psalm 113-118) were being sung. And our Savior's NAME was being mentioned all the time, even by those intent on killing him but they were blinded to see this truth. Paul calls it a "veil" over their eyes in **2 Cor. 3:12-18**. Little did they know they were instead singing praises to their hated Jesus.

There's more. On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the Feast of Tabernacles, they would draw copious amounts of water from **the well called Siloam, which means "SENT".** Yeshua said HE was the one sent. Hallelujah! They would read Isa 12. The one "SENT" was Yeshua.

#### <u>John 4:34</u>

Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who <u>sent</u> Me, and to finish His work."

### John 5:22-23

"For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, 23 that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father.

He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him."

#### Isaiah 12:2-3

"Behold, God is my salvation (Yeshua)

I will trust and not be afraid;

'For Yah, YHVH (the LORD), is my strength and song;

He also has become my yeshua (salvation.')"

# 3 Therefore with joy you will DRAW WATER From the wells of Yeshua (salvation)."

What was water pointing to? Just plain water? Think and figure it out. Again, here is Yeshua being revealed to those whose eyes could see.

When Yeshua spoke to the Samaritan woman at the well in John 4, he spoke of "living water". And I believe this very sinful woman, ashamed to go draw water earlier in the cool of the day as she couldn't stand the ridicule of the town's women, was the very first person to have Jesus himself identify himself as the promised Messiah. Living water. This is the Wells of Yeshua – of Salvation.

Look at what was going on between the Jewish Rabbi Jesus, speaking to a woman, alone, who was Samaritan – all of which were "no-no" to the Jews of his day. But remember he went to SAMARIA because he said he needed to go, he must go, to Samaria. *His whole intention was to give hope to this terribly depressed sinful woman!* 

This disgraced and sinful woman was the first person Yeshua revealed himself to as the promised Messiah. I hope that gives you joy and peace.

#### John 4:7-15

Then a woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." 8 For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

9 Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, **being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.** 

10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

11 The woman said to Him, *"Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep.* Where then do You get that living water?

The well indeed was deep. There indeed was much to harvest as he says later. He had his own pitcher! His "pitcher" to draw water was going to be the woman, who was going to be instrumental in bringing many Samaritans to Christ. Have you thought of that before?

12 Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

So this woman was going to be his jar to draw the depths of Samaria with. And the well <u>was</u> deep. There was much to harvest.

13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." (John 7:37-39)

15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

#### John 4:21-26

21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will <u>neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father.</u> 22 You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

23 But the hour is coming, **and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth**; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things."

Messiah and Christ both mean "anointed one".

## 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

<u>There's no "He" in the original Greek in this verse.</u> In KJV and NKJV, it's in italics, indicating it is an added word. He simply said, "I AM who speak to you." He was revealing He was the Great I AM, along with his Father. (See my recent sermons on "Is it the Father, or the Son, or Both").

Of course **John 7:37-39** also speaks of living waters flowing from our bellies spiritually once we receive the Holy Spirit.

Here's another scripture showing the very name of who the Promised Messiah will be and that he is coming.

#### Isaiah 62:11

"Indeed YHVH has proclaimed to the end of the world:

"Say to the daughter of Zion,

<u>'Surely your salvation (yep – Yeshua) IS coming:</u> Behold, His reward is with Him, And His work before Him.'''

God's salvation is coming by the one named Salvation, or Yeshua.

Yes it all pointed to the Messiah. The Old Testament over and over pointed to Messiah as the Good Shepherd, as Psalm 23 famously does. Jesus of course accepted that title of being the Good Shepherd many times, such as in John 10.

Many times when the Bible refers to "the arm of God", that's a code phrase for Yeshua, or the Word of YHVH.

### Isaiah 40:10-11

"Behold, LORD God shall come with a strong hand,

#### And His arm shall rule for Him;

Behold, His reward is with Him,

And His work before Him.

11 He will feed His flock like a shepherd;

He will gather the lambs with His arm,

And carry them in His bosom,

And gently lead those who are with young"

Jesus is often called the arm of God Most High. So when you read that, think "this could be referring to Messiah". Look up **Isa. 51:5, 9 on your own.** 

#### Isaiah 52:10

"LORD has made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations;

And <u>all the ends of the earth shall SEE</u> **The salvation (yeshua) of our God.**"

IN Hebrew – the earth shall see "the Yeshua of our Elohim" Isn't that inspiring? The very NAME of the Messiah is pointed out.

Also look at Isaiah 53:3; 59:15-17.

#### "I am a worm" Psalm 22:6

Psalm 22 is a Messianic psalm, all about the Messiah's crucifixion. I have a sermon **titled "I am a worm"**. We have over 14,000 views of this sermon already. Please check that one out. Just put "I am a worm" into the Search Bar. Pick the SECOND link to "I am a worm" – which is the sermon. Or use the link below. **It's only 32 minutes long**.

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Psalm 22 is a well-recognized "messianic psalm" pointing to Jesus' crucifixion. In verse 6, he is quoted as saying, "I am a worm". This was no earth worm or maggot or most other worms but referred to a very specific one that pointed so perfectly to what Yeshua would do.

**Psalm 22:6** – "I am a worm". You need to see how all that pointed to Christ in close detail that will amaze you. My lesson on it will show how Christ's sacrifice for us, was all right there giving of himself for all of us who accept him – depicted so perfectly by  $\underline{a\ worm}$  of all things.

Here's the link to that sermon pointing so beautifully to Jesus Christ. Be amazed at how perfectly this shows us our Savior.

# SOME more examples from the Old Testament that pointed to Jesus Christ, son of God.

Adam and Eve. "Adam" is translated also as "man" or "Mankind" – and speaks of people (see Genesis 5:2-3 for example). Other times it speaks specifically of the person we know as Adam. <u>Adam comes from "adama" – of the earth</u>, of the ground. The first Adam was of this earth, earthy. The connotation of "red dirt" is also in there, where we find later a similar name or word, "Edom" – pointing more clearly to red.

Eve – the first woman, came from Adam's flesh and bones *from one body* and in intimate love they become one flesh again.

#### Genesis 2:23-24

And Adam said:

"This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;

She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and **be joined to his wife**, **and they shall become one flesh**."

Paul used this same passage to go deeper. He felt what I just read was not only about Adam and Eve but was pointing to Jesus and HIS Bride!

## **Ephesians 5:30-32**

"For we are members of <u>His body</u>, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."

32 This is a great mystery, but <u>I speak concerning Christ and the</u> church."

1 Cor. 6:16-17

#### Romans 5:12-14

- <sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned— <sup>13</sup> (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.
- <sup>14</sup> Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of **Adam**, **who is a type of Him who was to come.**
- <sup>15</sup> But the free gift *is* not like the <sup>[a]</sup>offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many."

# 1 Corinthians 15:45

"And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The <u>last Adam</u> [that's Yeshua] became a life-giving spirit".

# How Noah's Ark also pointed to Jesus

**The ARK of Noah** – all of it pointed to Christ and salvation. I'd like you to ponder and research that, and tell me what you find.

<u>I'll give one example: there was only one DOOR to the ark</u>. Christ is that one door. There is no other name given under heaven by which we may be saved", right? ONE door. **Acts 4:12**. That door is Christ (John 10:7,10)

What else can you think of? There was NO RUDDER mentioned on the ark. They depended on GOD to steer the ship to where HE wanted it to go.

In fact there is no described bow (front) or stern (back) of the ark.

There's so much more.

# ABRAHAM / ISAAC (Genesis 22)picture God and Yeshua.

**Let's now look at the story of Abraham and Isaac**. To me it is clear that Abraham depicts God the Father and Isaac is a picture of Messiah. Forget thinking of Isaac as a child

or teenager. Josephus the Jewish historian says he was 25. More likely, I believe, he was in his early 30's. In any case, he wasn't a child.

God had promised Abraham that he would father what would turn out to be an uncountable number of children. But look what God does:

- He calls Abraham at 75 years of age who did not beget the promised child until he was 99. He was 100 when Isaac was born.
- His wife was barren, no children, and unable to have children.

Isn't God phenomenal? THIS is where God started – so when it all happened, it would be obvious it was all God's doing! Somehow these 2 were to bring about the birth of millions through them and their children, of whom they had NONE so far.

Ten years after God's promise, there was still no son from Sarah, so they thought God must want them to try to figure this out, and so Sarah proposed her slave Hagar be the surrogate mother; actually a "WIFE" to Abram. So often we also try to do or figure out what we think might help God a little. Abraham was now 85 years old, ten years after God first spoke to him, and so far, he was able to still do the male role in sex with this young woman. So Abraham agreed. They didn't ask God for his thoughts on this. Let's read it.

#### **Genesis 16:1-4**

"Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. And she had an Egyptian maidservant whose name was Hagar. 2 So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the Lord has restrained me from bearing children. Please, go in to my maid; perhaps I shall obtain children by her." And Abram heeded the voice of Sarai.

3 Then **Sarai**, **Abram's wife**, **took Hagar** her maid, the Egyptian, and gave her to her husband **Abram to be his WIFE**, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan. 4 So he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress became despised in her eyes."

God had not intended Hagar to be the source of the countless children when He told Abram that he would be the father of many nations. This was trying to solve the problem by our own works. WE do that too often too. The promised son was God's work and God wouldn't agree that their actions fulfilled his promise.

Hagar got haughty after delivering Ishmael, and felt like the real wife.

And remember, there is a bonding that happens when a man and any woman experience that level of intimacy. Hagar had to eventually be expelled from Abraham's camp, along with her son Ishmael.

Abraham even told God he would be happy to call Ishmael the son of God's promise (**Genesis 17:17-20**) but God was having none of that. So at age 99, God told them that within a year, they would have a son when barren Sarah was 90 and Abraham was 100, and by then, no longer able to do his male role either. God did a miracle. Abraham was able to perform and Sarah's barrenness was healed. Apparently Abraham had no problem begetting children even long after this, as through Keturah and others when Sarah had died.

So Isaac (meaning "laughter) was born. God called Isaac Abraham's "son, your only son, whom you love" (Genesis 22:1-3), again, actually pointing to Jesus, God the Father's only

son. He was to sacrifice Isaac on Mount Moriah, where the Temple was eventually built (2 Chronicles 3:1-2).

More on this in a minute. Somehow, probably by revelation from Jesus Christ, <u>Paul was</u> <u>able to see the spiritual lessons from these physical stories</u>, that Hagar represented the Old Covenant and Mt Sinai. Sarah represented the New Covenant and heavenly Jerusalem. (Galatians 4:21-26). The two women, Paul explains, represent the two covenants.

When God told Abraham to sacrifice his son, his only son Isaac, we see in this the spiritual story of God the Father sacrificing his son, his only Son Jesus the Anointed (Christ). But Yeshua/Jesus had no ram in the bush to save him. He did die a brutal death. But see the spiritual story here. Isaac was at least 25 according to Josephus, and I suspect could have been in his early 30's like Yeshua/Jesus was, as he was picturing Jesus. At this point, notice Abraham's faith – v. 5b

## Genesis 22:4-8 NKJV

Then on the third day Abraham lifted his eyes and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; **the lad and I will go yonder and worship**, *and WE will come back to you*."

6 So Abraham took the WOOD of the burnt offering <u>and laid it on Isaac</u> <u>his son</u>; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together.

[Note: So we just read how Isaac carried the wood for the sacrifice. What do you see SPIRITUALLY in this? So as Jesus carried the stake he would be crucified on, so also Isaac carried the wood for his sacrifice of himself, though God stopped that (Genesis 22:9-19). But who it pointed to- Jesus – had to finish being sacrificed brutally.

And each of us, ALL of us, are admonished to carry our OWN wood, our own cross, right? (Matthew 16:24). In Greek, the word "cross" or "tree" comes from the Greek that can be translated simply as "wood".

7 But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son."

Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"

8 And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together.

#### V 8 International Standard Version

Abraham answered, "*God will provide himself* the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." The two of them went on together"

Almost identical wording in so many: "God will provide <u>himself</u>..." in English Revised Version, American Standard version, Aramaic in basic English, etc.

God did provide the ram caught in the thorns by his shofar – his horns. Jesus comes to take away the Adamic curse of thorns, which in fact were crushed on to his forehead for us.

It would take 10 sermons to do this topic justice. But let me point out just a few more how in the Old Testament the Savior is revealed.

## MORE Old Testament examples POINTING TO Yeshua/Jesus

- \*\* **Joseph, son of Jacob**, pictured Jesus in so many ways. Can you think of any? He was betrayed by his own brothers, and still saved them later. That's one example of many. How he depicted Jesus is worthy of an entire sermon.
- \*\* **The MANNA** pictured Christ. That was the bread from heaven that actually pictured Yeshua (John 6)
- \*\* Crossing the Red Sea pictured burial in Christ; baptism (1 Cor. 10:1-4)
- \*\* the Split rock that God used to provide water, definitely pointed to Christ our Rock. By the way, totally unintentionally, the lighthouse we use for this website, Light on the Rock, is "Split Rock Lighthouse" on Lake Superior.
- \*\* Moses, meaning "drawn out" pictured Christ.
- \*\* **Joshua** leading them to the promised land. His name definitely his very name pictures Yehoshua, or Yeshua who leads us into the real promised land.
- \*\* The bitter waters of Marah and then a <u>tree</u> was thrown into it picturing Jesus' cross that takes away our bitterness.

#### Exodus 15:23-25

"Now when they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they were bitter. Therefore the name of it was called Marah. 24 And the people complained against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?"

- 25 **So he cried out to YHVH, and YHVH showed him a TREE**. When he cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet."
- \*\* The serpent on the pole during the plague of serpents in the wilderness (Num 21:7-9) And how Christ became sin for us (2 Cor. 5:21).

#### John 3:14-15

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

# The HIGH PRIEST pictured Christ

I urge you all to listen to my sermon I re-posted in 2023 recently, about "How Jesus is working as our High Priest" now. There's so much you'll actually learn about Jesus if you take the time to study that sermon.

So many details of what the High Priest was, what he wore, what he did and how he did those things – pointed actually to Jesus. I lay it out in that sermon. Please study it soon while it's on your mind. You'll be glad you did.

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I love how the 12 tribes were represented on his breastplate of Judgement over his heart. And he carried on each shoulder six of the names of the 12 tribes, engraved on to Onyx stones.

#### Exodus 28:29-30

"So AARON [now Jesus] shall bear the names of the sons of Israel on the **breastplate of judgment OVER HIS HEART**, when he goes into the holy place, as a memorial before YHVH continually.

30 And you shall put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim, and they shall be <u>over Aaron's HEART</u> when he goes in before YHVH. So AARON shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel <u>over HIS HEART</u> before YHVH CONTINUALLY."

Your NAME is inscribed in the palm of God's hand (**Isaiah 49:16**). YOU are over his heart each day as well, as pictured by the High Priest of Israel and his breastplate and the 2 onyx stones. You are the apple of God's eye (**Zechariah 2:8**). **Check out my blog. Use Search Bar: "Apple of his eye".** 

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# The TABERNACLE and TEMPLE pictured Jesus the Christ

The Tabernacle itself also pictured and foretold Jesus the Anointed one. There are so many things and this could be a multi-part sermon too.

- **ONE ENTRANCE ONLY to the Tabernacle of Moses**. There's only one name given under heaven by which we may be saved Acts 4:12. Jesus is the door, the one entrance (John 10:7-10).
- First item you came to after entering through the door into the Tabernacle complex, was **the altar of sacrifice** where the slaughtered bulls and sheep were offered for sin. This was picturing our confession of sin and being forgiven (1 John 1:9) upon repentance. What did Peter preach on Pentecost: "REPENT and be baptized" for the forgiveness of sin (Acts 2:38). The blood of Christ cleanses us of all sin (Heb. 9:14, 22; Eph 1:7)
  - All the sacrifices pictured Jesus. The lambs, the sheep, goats, bulls, calves, doves. All pictured the Christ.
  - It also reminds us that we are to present our bodies to God as a living sacrifice (Rom 12:1).
- **Brazen altar of water for cleansing** showing our sins all washed away.

- Then only the priests (sons of Aaron) could go in the Holy Place. WE are the royal priesthood today but we're able to go boldly to get close to God to throne of grace, only because of Jesus (Hebrews 4:16). Remember the ONLY way to the Father was through Jesus Christ (John 14:6b)
- **Menorah lampstand with seven lights:** Yeshua is our Light, and the light of the world (John 1:4; 8:12; 12:45) and was pictured by the center lamp, the Servant Light or Helper light, which was used to light all the other lamps.
- **Table of shewbread with 12 loaves of unleavened bread.** Jesus is our bread of life. John 6:32-41.
- The altar of incense picturing our many prayers. Psalm 141:2 and Revelation 5:8; 8:3-4 (more is said in the audio how wonderful, sweet and aromatic are our prayers before God)

## **Psalms 141:2**

"Let my prayer be set before You as incense, The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice."

**Incense was burned morning and evening Ex. 30:7-8.** We probably should pray at least 2x a day. Daniel and David prayed three times a day -morning, noon and night. I also teach **the Constant Contact** idea. Look it up as a sermon title on Search Bar.

**The veil or curtain between the Holy Place and Holy of Holies clearly pictured the FLESH of Jesus** according to Hebrews. ONLY the High Priest could go through the veil into the Most Holy Place, and only once a year, on the Day of Atonement. The VEIL was torn in half when Christ died, <u>Matthew 27:51</u>. The veil or curtain represented his flesh, ripped open by the Roman soldier and out came blood and water (John 19:34), representing his ripped-open body for us that opened the way to direct contact <u>always</u>, to God Most High. (Much more on audio).

Through Christ we can come boldly before our Father in heaven. Praise you, Jesus. We worship you, Father.

#### Hebrews 10:19-20

"Therefore, brethren, having <u>boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus</u>, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, **through the veil**, **that is**, **His FLESH**..."

• The Ark of the Covenant looked like a wooden box covered with gold inside and out. It pictured God's throne. The lid, the Kippur – was called the MERCY Seat. When you come before God Most High, your Father, remember he sits on a throne called the Mercy Seat.

The two covering golden cherubs were on top looking down. This ark represented God's merciful throne. Remember the seat <u>was above</u> the 10 Commandments lower down, inside the ark. "Mercy triumphs over judgment" (**James 2:13b**), and we must show mercy ourselves.

• INSIDE the ark were several important items. First **the Covenant, the handwritten 10 commandments, literally "the 10 Words', which was the foundation of the first covenant** (yes, the 10 commandments was the old covenant!) That's why the ark was called the Ark of the Covenant.

#### **Exodus 34:27-28**

Then LORD said to Moses, "Write these words, for according to the tenor of these words <u>I have made a covenant</u> with you and with Israel." 28 So he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he neither ate bread nor drank water. **And He wrote on the tablets the** <u>words of the covenant</u>, the Ten Commandments" (or the Ten Words).

In the NEW covenant, we're not saved by what we do, but once we're saved by grace through faith, yes — we still keep the 10 Commandments, not to be saved, but because we're saved. It's the way to show the love of God, how HE lives, what HE is like. So at the Last Supper/Passover, Jesus took bread and red wine — both picturing Jesus directly. The red wine especially was the basis of our new covenant with God. "This is the new covenant in my blood...". The unleavened bread is his life, now being lived in us and for us.

# 1 Corinthians 11:25 (also Luke 22:20)

"In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "**This cup** <u>is the</u> <u>new covenant</u> <u>in My blood</u>. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Any of you who haven't studied my **2-part sermons on how the New Covenant is vastly different from, and better than, the Old one**, and how the new Covenant is a NEW one, not a "renewed" covenant of the old covenant. But I know too many of you live as if you're still living in the old covenant. You want to be in the New Covenant and understand it. Be sure you do check out the sermons on Covenant, especially the chart I made in Part 2.

Also inside the ark were Aaron's rod that budded and a container of manna, the hidden bread of life which God gives to those who overcome. Rev 2:17. It's called "the hidden manna". All of this pointed to Jesus. (More discussed in the audio).

Just be aware when reading the Old Testament THAT SO MUCH you're reading is really pointing to Yeshua the son of God, the Savior, and his cup of salvation. Drink of his cup, all of you. Isaac carried the wood and pictured the Christ. Adam pointed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam, Jesus. The first Adam passed sin on to all humanity (See Romans 5:15-20 if that's not clear to you). The second Adam passed on his perfect righteousness to all who accept him.

We are now saved by grace through faith in HIM (Eph 2:8-10). Jesus perfectly fulfilled the righteous requirement of God's law. It's clear in Romans 8:4. So we ask HIM to now be our life, our righteousness, our Peace. (I explain more in the audio). I'm not saved by my own commandment keeping. Neither are you. "NOT of works, Lest any man should boast", right? I'm saved by the perfect obedient commandment-keeping of the Son of God.

Our calling is to change, called "conversion". Repent and be converted, Peter said in **Acts 3:19—"Repent therefore and be converted,** that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord..." Repent and then be sure

you're changing. Yes, we all still sin and we all must repent often, but we're no longer living like we used to.

Let's see what Jesus did, a passage rarely read, especially Romans 8:3-4.

## **Romans 8:1-5**

"There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

- 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, GOD did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,
- 4 <u>that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us</u> who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit."

We're gifted with God's very own perfect righteousness by faith and grace. How often do you hear of this GIFT of God's own righteousness?

#### **Romans 5:17**

"For if by the one man's offense [Adam] death reigned through the one, much more those who receive **abundance of grace and of the GIFT OF righteousness** will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ."

# Romans 5:18-19

"Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous."

Jesus - our promised Messiah, the Christ, the Lion of Judah, our Rock, our Light, our Bread, our wonderful Shepherd, our Door, he's our Way, truth and life. We love you Yeshua. We worship you father.

ENJOY depictions of Jesus throughout the Old Testament. CLOSING PRAYER of worship, praise and thanksgiving.