

KINGDOM EMBASSY MINISTRIES

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"Once and for all means once and for all," doesn't it? If there is one Feast of Yahweh, more than any other, that Christians believe no longer has any relevance for them, it has to be Yom Kippur. "The blood of Christ has paid for our sins past, present, and future, so why do I need to pay attention to a holiday that foreshadowed the sacrifice needed to cover the sins of the world?" It's a worthy question and one worth exploring, especially in light of these difficult to explain scriptures written decades AFTER the death, burial and resurrection of Christ. "The Feasts of the Lord are shadows of things to come." (Colossians 2:17); "Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come." (Hebrews 9:11); and, "The Law, having a shadow of the good things to come." (Hebrews 10:1). The Feasts, the High Priest, and the Law, all shadows of things yet to come, even decades after Christ. These are mysteries worth unlocking; secrets with discoveries relevant to every Christian serious about the future of their faith.

#### THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

"Now the LORD spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered profane fire before the LORD, and died; and the LORD said to Moses: "Tell Aaron your brother **not to come at just any time into the Holy Place inside the veil**, before the mercy seat which is on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud above the mercy seat...

There shall be no man in the tabernacle of meeting when he goes in to make atonement in the Holy Place, until he comes out,

that he may make atonement for himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel...

"This shall be a statute forever for you: In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether a native of your own country or a stranger who dwells among you. For on that day the priest shall make atonement for you, to cleanse you, that you may be clean from all your sins before the LORD. It is a sabbath of solemn rest for you, and you shall afflict your souls. It is a statute forever... This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, once a year." And he did as the LORD commanded Moses." Leviticus 16:1-2, 17, 29-31, 34 NKJV

#### OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

"Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went **alone once a year**, not without blood, **which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance**; the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All **was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing**. It was **symbolic for the present time** in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service **perfect in regard to**  the conscience— concerned only with foods and drinks, various washings, and fleshly ordinances imposed until the time of reformation. But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" Hebrews 9:6-14 NKJV

### Let's Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

- Leviticus 16 describes the Tabernacle ceremony for the holy festival of the Day of Atonement.
- 2. The Day of Atonement—Yom Kippur (really the Day of Atonements, the plural, Yom Kippurim): Aaron shall not go at any time he pleases into the Holy Place (Holy of Holies) behind the veil, where the ark of the covenant is stationed. Instead, he is to appear only one time per year to make atonement for his sins and the sins of the people. Why is this important for

Christians to understand? Consider that the Feasts of the Lord are not irrelevant for followers of Y'shua because the are shadows and patterns of THINGS TO COME!

- 3. This is a good time for us to consider a few key prophetic concepts regarding Y'shua and the Feasts of the Lord. What role does Y'shua play, and what role might you play when contemplating: the Passover Lamb; the Bull sin offering for the priest; the Ram burnt offering for the priest; the Goat sin offering for the people; the Scapegoat; and the Ram burnt offering for the people. It will be beneficial for you to recognize why the priest has to make **two** categories of sacrifices on the Day of Atonement(s) and why Y'shua only made **one** as taught to us in the letter of Hebrews.
- 4. Yahweh tells Moses that He will appear as a cloud above the mercy seat, which is on the ark, and Aaron will die if he comes in at the wrong time. As such, the following instructions are given—for when he can enter and what he should do:
  - (a) Aaron shall wash his body with water and put on his holy garments. And notice the two categories of sacrifices.
  - (b) Number One: He shall come into the Holy Place with the blood of a young bull as a sin offering, and of a ram as a burnt offering for <u>himself and his household</u>.

- (c) <u>Number Two:</u> He shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats as a sin offering, and one ram as a burnt offering <u>for the people</u>. (Pay attention to what will happen with one of the goats.)
- (d) **The Sin Offering for the Priest:** Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is **for himself and for his household**. Then he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar and take a hand full of sweet incense and he shall put the incense [maybe representing prayers] on the fire before the Lord, that the cloud of incense may cover the mercy seat that is on the Ark of Testimony. He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger on the mercy seat on the east side; and before the mercy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times.
- (e) The Sin Offering for the People: Aaron takes two goats and casts lots to see which will be the sin offering and which the scapegoat. Aaron shall bring the goat on which the Lord's lot fell, and offer it as a sin offering. But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive before the Lord and then it will be released into the wilderness. The blood of the sin offering is sprinkled on the mercy just as it was for the priest's sin offering. No other men can be present in the tabernacle until Aaron comes out.

- (f) When Aaron comes out he shall sprinkle the blood of both sin offerings with his finger on the altar seven times.
- (g) **The Scapegoat:** when the sin offerings are complete, Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, **confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel**, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. **The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities** to an uninhabited land.
- (h) **Burnt Offerings:** Aaron then comes back into the tabernacle and washes his body again in the holy place. Then he comes out and offers his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people.
- (i) Food for Thought: I've often wonder if the imagery of the sin offering for the people alludes to our end-of-the-age participation as "witnesses of sacrifice" to the world (enddays martyrs, Rev. 6:9-11) as we (the Church) give of our lives—offering our lives as living sacrifices (Rom. 12:1). What our deaths might mean makes more sense to contemplate after considering what we are to become ("...the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ..." Ephesians 4:13). If our lives are to become like Christs, why not our deaths!
- (j) **To conclude the Ceremony:** The fat of both sin offerings are burned on the altar. And he who released the goat as the

scapegoat shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and afterward he may come into the camp. The bull (sin offering for the priest) and the goat (sin offering for the people), **are carried outside the camp** and burned. Then he who burns them shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and afterward he may come into the camp.

- (k) Forever for everyone, native or foreigner: This shall be a statute forever: In the seventh month (the Hebrew 7th month, usually September for us), on the tenth day of the month (Ten days after the Feast of Trumpets and five days before the Feast of Tabernacles begins). It is a Sabbath day of rest and a day of fasting. It is an everlasting statute for you. And Aaron did all as Yahweh commanded Moses.
- (I) **Point of Interest:** notice that the seventh Hebrew month corresponds to our ninth month. And yet the prefix of the name of our ninth month is 'Sept' which actually means 'Seven'. The same thing happens when you look at "Oct or Eight'; 'Nov or Nine'; and 'Dec or ten'; successively corresponding to the eighth, ninth, and tenth month of the Hebrew calendar. The truth is hiding in plain sight!
- 5. <u>The Days of Awe:</u> The ten days from Rosh Hashanah (The Feast of Trumpets) to Yom Kippur, also known as the Ten Days of

Repentance. This name appears in sources from the Land of Israel, including the Jerusalem Talmud.

- (a) The concept of these days as a special unit of time in the Jewish year dates at least to the third century BCE. Rabbi Yohanan, who lived in the Land of Israel during that period, describes his conception of divine judgment and inscription in this season.
- (b) Three Ultimate Fates: "Three books are opened in heaven, one for the completely wicked, one for the completely righteous and one for those in between. The completely righteous are immediately inscribed in the book of life. The completely wicked are immediately inscribed in the book of death. The fate of those in between is suspended until Yom Kippur. If they do well, they are inscribed in the book of life. If not, in the book of death".
- (c) **Food for Thought:** In my opinion these three fates are perfectly described by Paul; *"Therefore God also has highly* exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those **in heaven**, and of those **on earth**, and of those **under the earth**, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus *Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."* Philippians 2:9-11 NKJV

- (d) The Ten Days of Repentance are seen as an opportunity for change. And since the extremes of complete righteousness and complete wickedness are few and far between, Rosh Hashanah (The Feast of Trumpets) functions, for the majority of people, as the opening of a trial that extends until Yom Kippur. It is an unusual trial. Most trials are intended to determine responsibility for past deeds. This one, however, has an added dimension: determining what can be done about future deeds (Does this not speak to Y'shua's forgiveness for past and future sins?). The Ten Days of Repentance are crucial to the outcome of the trial, since our verdict is determined both by our attitude toward our misdeeds and by our attempts to rectify them by changing ourselves.
- (e) **Special Note:** Even though, as a child of God, your ultimate fate is sealed, and your past, present and future sins are atoned for, you still have options on your journey to choose wickedness or righteousness on every turn. Yom Kippur, and all the imagery associated with it, gives you the opportunity to PRACTICE along the way—don't pass up the possibilities!)
- 6. **Recommend Video:** I can't think of a better topic to stir our repentant hearts than this one that was shared by a friend. Trust me; it is well worth the 16 minutes of your life. It is unlikely you

will reach the end without being changed. Watch here: You Will Never Speak Evil Words Again

#### IT MATTERS TO YOU

#### 1. It all points to Christ

#### A. Our Common Fathers

(1) "Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted. And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell; nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents; nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the

destroyer. Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it." I Corinthians 10:1-13 NKJV

#### B. Once Gentiles

(1) "Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh
—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the
Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— that at that
time you were without Christ, being aliens from the
commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the
covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in
the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far
off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."
Ephesians 2:11-13 NKJV

C. The Feasts of the Lord are shadows of things to come!

 (1) "So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are <u>a shadow of things to come</u>, but the substance

## [body] **\*is of Christ** [but the Body of Christ]." Colossians 2:16-17 NKJV

(2) **Special Note:** you can remove the word 'is' in verse 17 as it was added for clarity and is not needed when this verse is interpreted correctly; and replace 'substance' with 'body' as it is literary what the Greek word (soma) means here (Body; the body of the Church), "Let no one judge you...but the body of Christ." In other words, the verse does not say no one should judge you, but rather, as a Christian, ONLY the body of Christ should judge you. This is consistent with what scriptures teach about who we should be judging and who shall judge us. "For what have I to do with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? But those who are outside God judges. Therefore "put away from yourselves the evil person."" (I Corinthians 5:12-13) We are further warned to not be hypocrites while we judge (See Matthew 7:1-5 and Romans 2:1-3). However, in the end, we will participate in judging the world, so we ought to be able to rightly judge one another now (the Church judging the Church). "Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints? Do

you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?" (I Corinthians 6:1-2) Stepping into this role, and don't be mistaken, it is our role, takes spiritual maturity. "But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one." (I Corinthians 2:15)

#### D. Patterns and Shadows of GOOD THINGS TO COME!

- (1) "According to all that I show you, that is, **the pattern** of the tabernacle and **the pattern** of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it." Exodus 25:9 NKJV
- (2) "And see to it that you make them according to the pattern which was shown you on the mountain."Exodus 25:40 NKJV
- (3) "And you shall raise up the tabernacle according to its pattern which you were shown on the mountain."Exodus 26:30 NKJV
- (4) "So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are a **shadow of things to come**, but the substance is of Christ." Colossians 2:16-17 NKJV
- (5) "But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not

made with hands, that is, not of this creation." Hebrews 9:11 NKJV

- (6) "For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect." Hebrews 10:1 NKJV
  - 1. Summary of It Matters to You
  - 2. All who left Egypt and faced all those trials in the wilderness are considered your ancestors, no matter what your bloodline.
  - We are linked through Christ to every event, every test, and every failure or victory encountered by Israel. They were examples for the Body of Christ. But, we are EXPECTED have a better response!
  - 4. "Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted." 1 Cor. 10:5
  - 5. And even with the worst failings, with a life in Christ there is alway a way out!
  - 6. In Christ you are NO LONGER a Gentile (pagan, of the nations) but a member of the Commonwealth of Israel.

- 7. The Feasts of Yahweh serve as prophetic shadow pictures (patterns) of things to come, thus it is commanded for the Church to practice them in order to be spiritually discerning of God's prophetic strategies and what He is doing in the earth.
- 8. The High Priest and the Law—yes, also shadows of things to come!
- 9. We must be aware of all the patterns and shadows.

#### THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

#### 2. Copies and Shadows of Heavenly Things

- A. <u>Shadow and Patterns</u>
  - (1) **Hebrews Yom Kippur:** what we see in Leviticus serves as the <u>copy and shadow</u> of the heavenly things—so "See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain."
    - (a) "Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man. For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore it is necessary that this One also have

something to offer. For if He were on earth, He would not be a priest, since there are priests who offer the gifts according to the law; who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was divinely instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said, "See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain [from Exodus 25:40]."" Hebrews 8:1-5 NKJV

- (b) "Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance;...
- (c) But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption." Hebrews 9:6-7, 11-12 NKJV
- (2) Leviticus: The High Priest enters into the Holy of Holies, only one time per year, to make atonement for tabernacle,

the altar, himself and his family, all the priests, and the people!

- (a) "and the LORD said to Moses: "Tell Aaron your brother not to come at just any time into the Holy Place inside the veil, before the mercy seat which is on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud above the mercy seat." Leviticus 16:2 NKJV
- (b) "Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, **which is for himself**, and make atonement for himself and for his house... And Aaron shall bring the bull of the sin offering, **which is for himself**, and make atonement for himself and for his house, and shall kill the bull as the sin offering which is for himself." Leviticus 16:6, 11 NKJV
- (c) ""This shall be a statute forever for you: In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether a native of your own country or a stranger who dwells among you. For on that day the priest shall make atonement for you, to cleanse you, that you may be clean from all your sins before the LORD. Leviticus 16:29-30
- (d) then he shall make atonement for the Holy Sanctuary, and **he shall make atonement for the tabernacle of**

#### meeting and for the altar, and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.

This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, **once a year.**" And he did as the LORD commanded Moses." Leviticus 16:33-34 NKJV

- (3) The command for The Day of Atonement appears with all the other Feasts of The Lord in Leviticus 23 where it is commanded:
  - (a) "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, these are My feasts." Leviticus 23:1-2 NKJV
  - (b) "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: "Also the tenth day of this seventh month shall be the Day of
    Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls [Fast], and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. And you shall do no work on that same day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God. For any person who is not afflicted in soul on that same day shall be cut off from his people. And any person who

does any work on that same day, that person I will destroy from among his people. You shall do no manner of work; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. **It shall be to you a sabbath of solemn rest, and you shall afflict your souls;** on the ninth day of the month at evening, from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your sabbath." Leviticus 23:26-32 NKJV

- 1. **Key Distinctions to look out for:** The High Priest of the Levitical priesthood must FIRST make a sacrifice for his own sins and those of his household, BEFORE he can enter the Holy of Holies. And he must repeat this procedure one time per year and he can only enter ONE TIME PER YEAR. The High Priest of our salvation, Y'shua, not of the earthly Levitical line of priests (He was from Judah), but of the heavenly line, Melchizedek, needs no sacrifice for His own sins first, and need only enter the Holy of Holies ONE TIME EVER, which then makes a way for His people to enter continually!
- (4) Animal Copies and Shadows: It is beneficial if you can understand why the priest has to make two categories of sacrifices on the Day of Atonement and why seemingly

Y'shua only made one as taught to us in the letter of Hebrews.

- (5) Sin Offerings
  - (a) First the Sacrifices for himself—The BULL sin offering and the RAM burnt offering for the priest: "Thus Aaron shall come into the Holy Place: with the blood of a young bull as a sin offering, and of a ram as a burnt offering... "Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house." Leviticus 16:3, 6 NKJV
  - (b) Then the sacrifice for the world—the Goat sin offering for the people: ""Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which is for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat." Leviticus 16:15 NKJV
    - 1. **Key Distinctions:** here is the clear picture of the priest needing to first become atoned for by making sin offerings for himself, before he can do anything for the people. Y'shua never sinned and therefore could freely enter the Holy of Holies **without** an offering for His own sins.
- (6) Burnt Offerings

- (a) The ram burnt offerings for the priest and people: "And he shall wash his body with water in a holy place, put on his garments, come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people." Leviticus 16:24 NKJV (These offerings might be symbolic of our role as the "new heavenly royal, line of David, priesthood.)
  - 1. **Key Distinctions:** the heavenly Priesthood is from the line of David from whom Y'shua came and from whom, we as the church, come. *"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;"* I Peter 2:9 NKJV
  - We are washed clean by the blood of the Lamb: But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ." Ephesians 2:13
  - 3. Washing with the Word (Y'shua): "that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word," (Ephesians 5:26 NKJV) "And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were

sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God." I Corinthians 6:11 NKJV

#### (7) Bonus Imagery

(a) <u>The Passover Lamb:</u> "Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole

assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall **take some of the blood** and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it. (Exodus 12:5-7) ... And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will **strike all the firstborn** in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt." Exodus 12:11-13 NKJV

#### (b) Y'shua as the Passover Lamb;

- 1. "Your glorying is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." I Corinthians 5:6-8 NKJV
- 2. "He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth." Isaiah 53:7 NKJV
- 3. **Key Distinctions:** the spotless lamb is sacrificed (sinless Y'shua crucified) and the applied blood shall be a sign for Yahweh to spare the FIRSTBORNS. We become members of the Church of Firstborn (Hebrews 12:23) when we apply the blood of Y'shua.

#### MESSIAH AND THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

#### 3. Heavenly Things

A. <u>The Scapegoat</u>

#### (1) The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities...

- (a) "And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats as a sin offering, and one ram as a burnt offering." Leviticus 16:5 NKJV
- (b) "He shall take the two goats and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then Aaron shall cast lots for the two goats: one lot for the LORD and the other lot for the scapegoat. And Aaron shall bring the goat on which the LORD's lot fell, and offer it as a sin offering. But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make atonement upon it, and to let it go as the scapegoat into the wilderness." Leviticus 16:7-10 NKJV
- (c) "Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it away [rejected by man—Is. 53] into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an uninhabited land [descended into the lower parts of the earth—Eph.

**4:7-10**] ; and he shall release the goat in the wilderness." Leviticus 16:21-22 NKJV

#### B. Y'shua our Scapegoat

- (1) He was bruised for our iniquities... But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive... confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins...
  - (a) "He is despised and **rejected by men**, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth." Isaiah 53:3-7 NKJV

- (b) "who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness— by whose stripes you were healed." I Peter 2:24 NKJV
- (c) "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures," I Corinthians 15:3 NKJV
- (d) "And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"" Matthew 27:46 NKJV (From Psalm 22–"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, And from the words of My groaning?" Psalms 22:1) [The Goat being abandoned]
- (e) "The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29 NKJV
- (f) "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." II Corinthians 5:21 NKJV
- (g) "But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave

gifts to men." [from Ps. 68:18] (Now this, "He ascended"—what does it mean but that **He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?** He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)" Ephesians 4:7-10 NKJV

#### C. <u>The Real Thing—the CONNECTION POINTS BECOME</u> <u>CLEAR!</u>

#### (1) His blood covers you and gives you access behind the veil

- (a) Past, Present and Future Sins: "My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world." I John 2:1-2 NKJV
- (b) **"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins**, according to the riches of His grace which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which

are on earth—in Him. In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, **you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession,** to the praise of His glory." Ephesians 1:7-14 NKJV

- (c) And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. **Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn** in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many." Matthew 27:50-53 NKJV
- (d) "Now this is the main point of the things we are saying:We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle

which the Lord erected, and not man." Hebrews 8:1-2 NKJV

- (e) "For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore **it is necessary** that this One also have something to offer." Hebrews 8:3 NKJV
- "Now when these things had been thus prepared, the (f) priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance; the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing. It was **symbolic** for the **present time** in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service perfect in regard to the conscience— concerned only with foods and drinks, various washings, and fleshly ordinances imposed until the time of reformation. But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy

Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption." Hebrews 9:6-12 NKJV

- (g) "Therefore it was necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;" Hebrews 9:23-24 NKJV
- (h) "not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation." Hebrews 9:25-28 NKJV

# (i) <u>THE TURNING POINT WHERE IT BECOMES ABOUT</u> <u>US!</u> "For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never

with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, **make those who approach perfect**. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? **For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins.** But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins." Hebrews 10:1-4 NKJV

- (j) "And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified." Hebrews 10:11-14 NKJV
- (k) "Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an

evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:19-22 NKJV

- 1. Key Distinctions: there is so much here!
- 2. Y'shua is our scapegoat
- 3. Y'shua is the propitiation for our sins
- 4. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins (past, present and future)
- 5. He was forsaken as the sinless sacrifice so we can enter behind the veil safely, like the High priest could, but rather than one time per year, we enter continuously. The High Priest could not ever without another sacrifice for his own sins. Our sin sacrifice is handled FOREVER!
- 6. Y'shua is our High Priest who must follow the patterns of the earthly priest. Can you see why it is so important to study the Torah from where all the patterns come?
- 7. The earthly High Priest can go into the Holy of Holies only once per year and he must be cleansed first by making a sin offering for himself. Also, it is important to note that the Hebrews passage mentions "while the first tabernacle still has a standing, which is symbolic of the present time **in which sacrifices are**

**still being offered.**" (the time Hebrews was written was about 30 year after Christ and the author teaches us that the tabernacle STILL HAS A STANDING).

- 8. The Heavenly High Priest (Christ) came with blood sacrificed for "good things to come", again this future language alludes to something still coming even though this is 30 years post resurrection!
- 9. Y'shua must follow the patterns. It is clear that the earthly is a copy or shadow of the heavenly. Y'shua simply does not have to do it more than once. He is appointed to die once and then waits for a second appearance at which time He will appear when sin has been extinguished from God's people. This is antithetical to almost all modern Christian Theology, but it is consistent with Y'shua's teaching throughout His ministry and with the preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom. [Matthew 5:48; 1 John 3:9)
- 10. Again we see the futuristic language of Hebrews; the shadow of good things to come, the good things making those made clean perfect, who once purified would have no more consciousness of sin. Since we as the church still do have such, these events are still in our future!

- 11. After He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, He sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. He is waiting for sin to be abolished in the earth. This is prophetic for us as Christians in the restoration of all things (see Acts 3:21 and Matthew 17:11) and the revealing of the sons of God (Romans 8:18-21).
- 12. The mantel passes and we are now able to enter the Holy of Holies just as the High Priest could. But unlike Y'shua and more like Aaron (for now) we need a sacrifice to do so. And that sacrifice is Y'shua, the Bull sin offering.
- 13. [**Contemplation**] Then once we are perfected and no longer need Y'shua as a sacrifice, we can become the sacrifice for others. "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." John 15:13 NKJV

#### (2) The True and Living Sacrifice

- (a) Y'shua and the bull sin offering and the ram burnt offering for the priest; Y'shua did NOT NEED a bull sin offering is to enter! He IS THE SIN OFFERING!
  - 1. "But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle

not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. **Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all**, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, **how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot** to God, **cleanse your conscience** from dead works to serve the living God?" Hebrews 9:11-14 NKJV

- 2. "But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool." Hebrews 10:12-13 NKJV
- (b) The ram burnt offering and the Goat sin offering for the people. Is this sacrifice fulfilled by Y'shua or someone else?
  - "Therefore you shall **be perfect**, just as your Father in heaven is perfect." Matthew 5:48 NKJV
  - "For then would they not have ceased to be offered?
     For the worshipers, once purified, would have had **no** more consciousness of sins." Hebrews 10:2 NKJV

- 3. "let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:22 NKJV
- 4. "I beseech **you** therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you **present your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1 NKJV
- "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." John 15:13 NKJV
- "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her," Ephesians 5:25 NKJV
- 7. "When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those **who had been slain** for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their

brethren, **who would be killed** as they were, was completed." Revelation 6:9-11 NKJV

- (c) Your Turn
  - "I affirm, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily." I Corinthians 15:31 NKJV
  - 2. **"I have been crucified with Christ**; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain."" Galatians 2:20-21 NKJV
  - "Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Matthew 16:24 NKJV
  - 4. "And whoever does not **bear his cross** and come after Me cannot be My disciple." Luke 14:27 NKJV
    - 1) Summary: the True and Living Sacrifice
    - 2) Y'shua's sacrifice paved the way FOREVER
    - 3) Be the living sacrifice
    - 4) Lay down your life
    - 5) Just as Messiah, give your life

- 6) Be a perfect lamb
- 7) No more consciousness of sin
- 8) End of the age martyrs

#### **QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION**

# 1. Discuss the relationship between the Feasts of Yahweh and the ministry of Y'shua?

- A. Why can Paul address Christians in I Corinthians 10:1-13 as if "all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses?"
- B. Is it possible for a Christian to be a gentile in light of Ephesians 2:11-13?
- C. What does it mean that the Feasts of the Lord are shadows of things to come?
- D. Why was Yahweh adamant that Moses build all things according to the pattern shown him on the mountain?

## 2. Compare and contrast Y'shua as the High Priest and Aaron as the High Priest. Consider the following:

- A. Freedom to enter beyond the veil...
- B. The sacrifice for the sins of the priest...
- C. The sacrifice for the sins of the people...
- D. The family line of the priesthood (Levi vs. Judah)...

# 3. What does it mean that we, as born again Christians, have the freedom to enter beyond the veil?

- A. Do we have priestly duties as such?
- B. If the sacrifice of Christ covers us, as the "new priesthood," is there another sacrifice needed for the sins of the world?

#### 4. How does Y'shua fulfill these elements of Yom Kippur?

- A. The sin and burnt offerings for the priest...
- B. The sin and burnt offerings for the people...
- C. The Scapegoat...
- 5. What future role might the Church play as a sacrifice for the sins of the world?