



Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved. — ROMANS 10:1

The Messiah and *Shavuot*

By Shelley Neese / TheJerusalemConnection.us

The holiday of *Shavuot* is upon us. It begins at sunset on Tuesday, June 11 and ends at sunset on June 13. If you haven't heard of the Biblical holiday of *Shavuot*, that's probably because you are more familiar with its Greek name: Pentecost.

On Shavuot, Jews celebrate the events that took place on Mount Sinai. The Bible recounts that 50 days after the Hebrews were supernaturally rescued from slavery in Egypt — a miracle marked on Passover — Moses returned to the same spot where God first spoke to him through the burning bush.

Exodus 19 states that when God descended on the mountain, thunder ripped through the sky and the ground shook. A *shofar* blew a long blast. A dense cloud of smoke and fire surrounded the summit. God instructed Moses that no one, not even the animals, were to touch

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God's Protection for Israel

By Sarah Liberman

On April 13, Iran launched its first ever direct attack on Israel. Because we had been warned, the entire country was "shut down" for 48 hours as a

precaution. This was a surreal experience as my family sat up late that night waiting. We were ready to run into our safe room as we expected hundreds of suicide drones and large missiles to hit inside Israel at any time. While I felt great faith, I also had an uneasy anticipation that the fallout from this attack could be devastating.

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The nature of the Iranian attack signaled a pivotal moment for Israel, the U.S., and the whole Middle East. The attack revealed MEAD — a combined Middle East Air Defense alliance involving direct military cooperation between Israel and some Arab nations. Previously, no one could imagine that these countries would

nti-missile system defends against Iranian drones and missiles launched against Israel, as seen from Ashkelon on April 14, 2024

I prayed for my people — millions of Israelis feeling fearful and helpless. October 7 had already left this nation feeling beaten down, with little hope or trust for a good outcome in the conflicts with our surrounding enemies. Google search data revealed that thousands of Israelis searched the word "Psalms" during the April 13 assault. At 1:42 a.m. on April 14, the first sirens sounded. Wave after wave of sirens blanketed the country from south to north.

No one had any idea whether the Israel Defense Forces and our partners would be successful in thwarting the attack. Yet over 170 bomb-carrying drones were intercepted before they even entered Israeli air space. The rest — approximately 120 ballistic missiles and 30 cruise missiles — were also shot down, some in a mesmerizing display of flashing lights pitched against the darkness of Jerusalem's night sky.

The mood in the nation immediately turned to relief. The next day, however, questions about Israel's possible retaliation meant that there would be no sense of long-term safety. Even so, Israelis are resilient. After a day of recovery, we were already back to business — the airport reopened, and schools resumed their activities. fight together against a common enemy.

The Wall Street Journal reported on how this new alliance was able to repel the attack: "Israeli and U.S. forces intercepted most of the Iranian drones and missiles. But they were able to do so in part because Arab countries quietly passed along intelligence about Tehran's attack plans, opened their airspace

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to warplanes, shared radar tracking information, or, in some cases, supplied their own forces to help."

We Believers* know that it is God's hand that protected Israel that fateful night. We praise the God who performs miracles, displaying His power among the people (Psalm 77:14). I am grateful for your prayers for God's protection over this nation. I encourage you to join me regularly to continue to intercede on behalf of Israel, for *"indeed, He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep"* (Psalm 121:4).

Blessings from the Holy Land. 🛛 🌣





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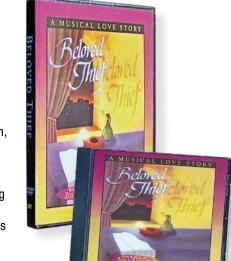
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Ruth in Boaz's Field (1828) by Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld, National Gallery, London. Traditionally, the Book of Ruth is read on the second day of *Shavuot*.

the mountain. Disobedience equaled certain death.

Moses spent 40 days on the mountain where he was given the Ten Commandments and the Torah. God's promise to the Israelites was that from that day forward, if they obeyed Him fully and kept His covenant, they would be a "nation of priests."

God's promise was quickly put to the

test. When Moses came down from the mountain and saw that they had already resumed idol worship in his absence, he allowed the Levites to take up their swords. As a result, 3,000 people were killed that day.

Fast forward 1,300 years, give or take, and we come to the day of Pentecost. Fifty days after Christ's resurrection and just 10 days after His ascension, the disciples were in Jerusalem to celebrate *Shavuot*. This was one of three times a year that the

Hebrew people were required to worship in Jerusalem and make sacrifices at the Temple.

For these important feasts, Jerusalem would be packed with worshipers from many countries. The Temple priests led the masses of people in song and prayer as they celebrated the giving of the Torah and marked the anniversary of their becoming a covenanted people.

But on that day, as God so mysteriously designed it, another covenant was born — not one that would supersede or replace the first covenant but expand it. Acts 2:2-4 explains that suddenly "a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them." To Index You know the rest of the story. Witnesses assumed that the disciples were drunk. In one of the more humorous lines in the Bible, Peter corrected them as he said, "these people are not drunk ... it's only nine in the morning!" (Acts 2:15). From there Peter gave the sermon of his life, commissioning the crowds to repent and be baptized so they, too, would receive the Holy Spirit. Afterward, 3,000 new Believers were added to their number.

The feasts and festivals of the Bible are replete with types and symbols that all perfectly point to the Messiah. The divine connections between *Shavuot* and Pentecost are so especially obvious that it's thrilling.

On *Shavuot*, Moses acted as the intercessor between God and His covenanted people. On Pentecost, Jesus had already intervened on behalf of the world.

At Sinai, the fire descended only on the summit of the mountain. At Pentecost, the fire came "to rest on each of them" individually.

On the first *Shavuot*, God established His covenant with the Hebrew people. On Pentecost, a New Covenant was made available to all who believed.

On *Shavuot*, the Holy Law was inscribed on stone by the finger of God. At Pente-

cost, the Holy Spirit wrote the Law on their hearts.

At Mount Sinai, 3,000 were killed due to their disobedience. In Jerusalem, 3,000 were granted eternal salvation in response to their faith.

On *Shavuot*, God declared the Israelis a "nation of priests." On Pentecost, Believers became priests to all nations.

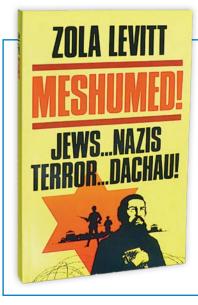
There you have it. Distinction and then inclusion. A second covenant grafted into the first. Death and now life. Law and Spirit.

The Talmud describes *Shavuot* as the "wedding day" between God and the Jewish people. Now, the Bride of Christ waits anxiously for the day when we will be united with our Bridegroom.

Mark your calendars for this special holiday of Shavuot. We are celebrating God's revelation and the anniversaries of receiving that revelation at both Mount Sinai and in Jerusalem. Let's use this feast to make a public commitment, just as the people of Israel did, that "we will do and we will listen."



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Good Life Guilt

Kirsten Hart Studio co-host of *Our Jewish Roots*



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Relatives mourn at the funeral of Be'eri residents killed by Hamas on Oct. 7.

David and I live in Orlando, Florida — a city known for its vibrant and exciting entertainment experiences. Recently, we swam and floated in a lazy river at Universal Studios' Volcano Bay Water Park. As I enjoyed myself in the water, however, I considered the ongoing struggles that Israelis have faced for many months. The stark contrast between our carefree afternoon and their challenging circumstances left me feeling uneasy.

I pondered several questions: How can we enjoy a leisurely day when hostages are struggling for their lives? Is it wrong for us to visit a theme park while families are concerned about their loved ones' survival during war? As missiles explode near schools and homes in Israel, should we go out to dinner? Shouldn't we feel guilty for enjoying our present circumstances?

Ongoing Routines

Every day, I grapple with similar thoughts. Because I don't want to become desensitized to the atrocities we hear about in the news, I pray fervently for all those affected by the ongoing war. Still, I know that I must continue to live my life, with all of its normal routines. Finding balance in these is challenging.

Social media posts have made the current Israeli conflicts much more personal for me. In the eight years that we've been associated with Zola Levitt Ministries, David and I have developed friendships with many people in Israel. So, as I scroll through my social media



feeds, I might see one person sharing a dessert recipe, while another highlights

their child on the front lines in Gaza, fighting for Israel's survival. The contrast is striking.

Close to Home

How should I deal with all of this stark contrast? Truthfully, I'm still searching for the answer. I know, as Scripture proclaims, that wars (and rumors of wars) have happened before and will continue. Armed conflict is easier to handle when we aren't involved or don't know anyone who is. Everything changes, however, when war becomes personal. Years ago, when our son Tyler was deployed to Iraq, my interest in the Middle East suddenly intensified because I had some "skin in the game," so to speak. Every decision between the U.S. and Iraq potentially had a direct impact on my family. Our son's life was at stake and it was a difficult time for us. That experience, however, gave us a new empathy for others whose loved ones may be in harm's way.

Walking it Out

I pray that all of us can find the delicate balance through our daily walk with the Lord. Scripture promises that the Lord's joy will be our strength (Neh. 8:10). In addition, I fervently pray for peace and protection for everyone involved in the ongoing battles in the Middle East. As we pray for peace, we ask that it may come soon. Shalom to all.





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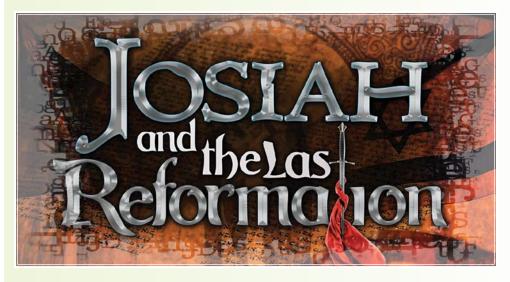
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Josiah and the Last Reformation

Caleb & Joshua Colson The Bearded Bible Brothers





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"I can't believe you just typed that, Josh. You know this isn't film. Nobody can hear your *smoldering voice*."

"Obviously I know that, Caleb! Still, we need to make a movie trailer to promote the new upcoming series, *Josiah and the Last Reformation.*"

"Josh, once again, this is print. How many newspapers do you actually listen to?"

"Don't shoot me down because I have vision! Audiobooks are the best! But go ahead, Caleb, tell them the most awesome story in the Bible using only ... words."

"Okay, words it is!

Greetings, Levitt Letter readers! During our last trip to Israel, God directed our steps to film not just one, but two new series. Most of our teachings for the Josiah series were shot during the war with Hamas. What more relevant backdrop to investigate how the last days of the Kingdom of Judah parallel the Last Days that we Believers live in today! In ancient times, God foretold through His prophets the calamity and judgment that the Babylonians would inflict on Judah because of the people's sin.

Today, circumstances are much the same, as America and Israel have turned from God in many ways. One consequence will be America's removal as a world superpower, which will enable the emergence of the final Babylon the Great. Long ago, however, Josiah humbled himself before God and sparked the greatest moral and spiritual reformation in all of history, which extended God's prophetic timetable of judgment. So, is there hope for our nations, or is it too late to turn back to God? We'll be talking about that and more.

"Excellent, Caleb, that was a trailer made entirely of words! I actually felt like I was there."

"You are here, Josh ... in a post-Christian, idolatry-riddled America — literally moments away from our own destruction!"

"Well, no one will want to watch the new teaching series if you say it *that* way. Try this:

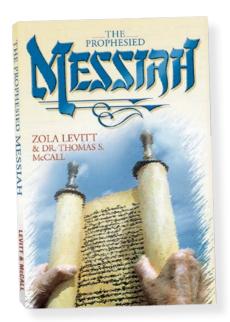


Everyone, please watch *Our Jewish Roots* this summer for an eight-part series that focuses on the power of repentance, the need for forgiveness, and the challenge to stand up for righteousness while all others stay behind. What greater time to declare the need for a moral transformation in our country than prior to the coming November elections.

Now is the moment to stand up for Biblical principles and Scriptural values. First Peter 4:17–18 declares: "For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the Gospel of God? Now 'If the righteous one is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?"

Prepare your hearts. Babylon is coming.

"Ooh, Josh! I just got chills." 🛛 🌣



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This handsomely designed 2¼" x 7" sturdy bookmark is an excellent witnessing tool.

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by Zola Levitt from 1987 37 years ago



The Temple Mount in the Old City of Jerusalem, with the Western Wall and golden Dome of the Rock.

A friend of mine — an Orthodox Jew in Jerusalem whom I trust — informed me of a peculiar situation happening in the depths of Mount Moriah below the sites of the Western Wall and the Dome of the Rock. Since archaeologists dug out the area a few years ago, both the Jews and the Muslims have an interest in being as close as possible to their respective sacred shrines. Those who

have been to Jerusalem realize that the Wall and the Dome lie in very close proximity at the northern end of the exposed Western Wall.

The rabbis started a "yeshiva" (a school of advanced Jewish learning) some time ago in order to train the future priesthood in the rituals of sacrifice. Recently, the yeshiva management was very disturbed to discover

moisture on their books and scrolls, so they went to the police. They declared that apparently the Muslims — who have similar encampments just to the east, beneath the Dome — have surreptitiously brought water into the subterranean enclosure and were trying to damage the study materials of their adversaries. At the same time, the Muslims went to the police complaining that they found moisture in their own enclave. They accused the Jews of piping in water to weaken the foundation of the huge Dome of the Rock overhead. Both sides had an apparently good case, since there is no source of water in Mount Moriah, and there never has been.

Could it be that God is making ready a new and powerful spring of water to come out of Mount Moriah and crash through the neighboring Mount of Olives in order to prepare the Second Coming of Jesus Christ?

> At this date, I have no further information about the legal situation. However, both accusations are wrong since engineers brought to the Mount have discovered a new water source evidently never there before — which has inundated both enclosures from within the mountain. It is clear that





Mount Moriah provided no water in the past since the builders of King Herod, and even those 3,000 years ago of King Solomon, had to arrange

QĆ for enormous amounts of water to be carried up the mountain for their Temple construction crews. (It should be appreciated that Solomon had 150.000 laborers at work for seven years to build the Temple of God in his time. Herod's was at least as great in magnitude.) One would think that the talented builders of mighty Solomon and of the Roman Caesar — arguably the best architects, engineers, and construction crews the world has ever known — could have found water if it were there. The perplexing problem is, where does it come from and why does it appear right now?

Consulting the Scriptures, we realize that Messiah will return to a spot very near Mount Moriah, at the summit of the Mount of Olives. "And His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall

cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south" (Zech. 14:4). It seems that the Mount of Olives will cleave in two at the time of His coming.

It is water that cleaves mountains, and we are provoked to look at Zech. 14:8 — *"And it shall be in that day,* that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea (the Dead Sea), and half of them toward the hinder sea (the Mediterranean): in summer and in winter shall it be."

> Could it be that God is making ready a new and powerful spring of water to come out of Mount Moriah and crash through the neighboring Mount of Olives in order to prepare the Second Coming of Jesus Christ?

> > "Look



up for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28).

We've been in the tunnel area near the Western Wall, where you can actually see the Gihon Spring under the ground of modern Jerusalem. You will see Joshua and Caleb in that tunnel in the new *Our Jewish Roots* television series about King Josiah. —David ✿



Ask the Chaplain

Where was Jesus between His death and Resurrection? Part 1

Luke 16:19–31 reveals that after the death of the physical body, a person's soul lives on in a conscious state either in Heaven or Hell. Evangelist and Pastor Greg Laurie explains:

To understand exactly where Jesus went, look at the story Jesus told of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19–31). This was not simply a parable, for Jesus used an actual human name. Thus, we can conclude that Jesus was giving us an actual glimpse of life beyond the grave. The story describes a place called Hades, where there was both a place of comfort and torment.

In the Old Covenant, when a person died, he went to Hades. If the person was a believer, he went to the place of comfort in the bosom of Abraham (Luke 16:22). The nonbeliever, on the other hand, went to the place of torment, which was separated from the place of comfort by a great chasm.

After His death on the Cross, Jesus continued in a conscious, living state even though His spirit had left His physical body. After three days, Jesus' soul was reunited with His resurrected body when He rose from the dead.

But where did Jesus go after He died? Recall what Jesus told the repentant thief who was crucified beside Him: *"Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise"* (Luke 23:43). After death, Jesus went to paradise, along with the believing thief. The actual place where Jesus went was the paradise region of *Sheol*, the Hebrew word for the place of the departed dead. (*Hades*, the Greek equivalent, is used in the New Testament.) This is why the Apostle's Creed states that Jesus "descended into hell" (*Hades* or the place of the departed dead) after His death.

Dr. Todd Baker

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Based on Jesus' teaching in Luke 16:19–31, the paradise side of *Sheol/Hades* was where the spirits of the Old Covenant believers were comforted in "Abraham's bosom." In the other section, however, departed souls of the unrighteous were tormented.

Psalm 16:8-11 prophesies that the Messiah's soul would go to Sheol after death but would not remain there because He would be raised from the dead. First Peter 3:18-20 affirms that when the disembodied soul of Jesus went to Sheol, He proclaimed a message of victory to "the spirits in prison." These could refer to demonic spirits chained there for the great sins they committed with humanity before the Flood, or to the departed spirits of humans who perished in the Flood. Whoever these spirits were, they dwelled in the hell side of Sheol and heard about the victory of Jesus' death and His upcoming Resurrection.

Next month, we'll see how Jesus' death and Resurrection changed the dwelling place for the souls of redeemed saints awaiting their own resurrection from the dead.

"Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise." LUKE 23:43







ShaliachReport

Motorcycles and the Messiah

Dr. Todd Baker ZLM Staff Theologian TJF Team Leader





Benjo, Niro, and Todd

Harley and Robert

March 2024 was the start of this ministry's 55th Gospel outreach to Israel. Robert Williams and I spent our first full day in Tel Aviv, where we distributed seven complete Hebrew Bibles. One notable outreach happened at a local motorcycle shop. Because Robert is an avid Harley Davidson rider, we visited the Harley Davidson dealer. We had over an hour of Gospel ministry with the owners, employees, and customers who came into the business. Robert enjoyed a wonderful, Bible-oriented interaction with his motorcycle brethren.

We talked with **Harley**, who worked at the dealership. He eagerly listened to our testimony about Yeshua, the One foretold in the Jewish Scriptures. Harley gladly accepted the Word of God we offered Him. Frankel, another employee, reverently kissed his hands after we gave him a complete Hebrew Bible. Such a gesture in Israel indicates that the recipient has received something holy.

Robert and I also met **Niro** and **Benjo**, who were part of a Jewish motorcycle group called the Samson Riders. Both men were extremely open as we shared Yeshua and the Word of God with them. Robert was wearing his leather motorcycle vest with several Messianic patches on it. One patch has a quote from John 3:16. Niro took a picture of the patch, which prompted us to explain that God sent Yeshua — God's Son and Israel's Messiah — to save His people from their sins (Matt. 1:21).

Wanting to learn more, both Niro and Benjo gladly accepted a copy of the complete Jewish Scriptures. Later, we saw photos that Niro posted on the shop's Facebook page of them holding the Hebrew Bibles that we gave them. It is truly amazing how the God of Israel gives us favor with the Chosen People for us to bring the Gospel to them! Such an opportunity like this reminds me of Paul's words to the Philippian Believers: "But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the Gospel" (Phil. 1:12). After this great witnessing encounter, we praised God with tears of joy.

Please pray for these Israeli men, that the Lord will open their hearts to receive Yeshua as their Messiah. Thank you for your prayers and financial support that enable us to continue our Gospel outreach to God's People (Rom. 1:16).



A Note from Mark

An Avalanche of Responses

Mark Levitt ZLM Director since 1988



This ministry is being inundated with comments, Bible questions, complaints, and praise regarding our Bearded Bible Brothers' YouTube videos. We've been overwhelmed and forced to retool. Below are excerpts from internal memos revealing our Bible teaching's increasing impact.

Instead of the usual monthly batch of online comments that our webmaster GregH routinely submits for inclusion in the *Levitt Letter*, I received his "Mayday" of sorts with an explanation for the delay:

"I worked for hours yesterday and only got through the first six days. I may need help with this. It's starting to take a vast amount of time."

My reply:

Wow, GregH, how many comments are you wading through? Maybe this is an assignment better divvied up into weekly allotments? Who might help us with this growing task?

Meanwhile, our prior editor Margot recalled:

In the past, we devoted whole Levitt Letter editions to letters and responses. They become mini-Bible studies. A publishing axiom states: Every letter/comment represents 700 that were never sent. These thoughtful comments spark questions in readers' minds that may not have occurred for years, if ever. With the answers so quickly accessible, readers can ruminate on Godly ideas and better clarify their own beliefs. What a Godsend! GregM may want to ask volunteer proofers for help with selecting worthy "letters" candidates.

BBB Caleb responded:

Yes, we've had a ton of comments lately. However, I consider most of them positive — even the anti-Semites get to hear the Gospell The *Roadmap to Armageddon* series has ignited a healthy response. Many Muslim viewers ask a lot of questions about Biblical eschatology. I trust that the Holy Spirit is doing His job as they watch these programs filled with Scripture. The seeds are planted, and the harvest will follow!

Then our newsletter editor GregM added:

Copying the comments from YouTube, etc. must be time consuming for GregH. Even for me in recent months, the number of comments to consider for the *LL* has been overwhelming. I'd prefer to receive eye-opening ones about Scripture; disagreement on Biblical issues; wanting info about a topic; or seeking clarification about what someone stated. Also, concise comments are preferred over wordy ones.

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Our webmaster GregH replied:

The increased comment load stems mostly from our soaring YouTube viewership after the BBBs' remarkable October 7 videos. In addition to *Our Jewish Roots* viewers, we now have many others —Muslims, atheists, rabble-rousers, and hundreds of souls weighing in on Bible issues — around 3,000 comments per month!

Dear Reader: Our receiving 3,000 responses per month likely represents 2.1 million comments (3,000 x 700 = 2.1 million) that were never sent. Imagine the harvest in addition to our large television audience and global **levitt.tv** viewers! — Mark 🜣

ZLM Bulletin Board



A London police officer confronts Gideon Falter

"No Go" Zones for Jews

Near a pro-Palestinian protest in downtown London, police threatened to arrest Gideon Falter, the head of the Campaign Against Antisemitism. They admonished him for being "openly Jewish" since his presence was "antagonizing a large group of people."

If they're so concerned about such provocation, then why not cancel the pro-Palestinian marches, which are thinly disguised advertisements for genocide? Assistant Commissioner Matt Twist, commenting on X (Twitter), criticized pro-Israel individuals for being "provocative." The police department later deleted the remark and clarified that "being Jewish is not a provocation."



Religiophobia Plagues Meathead

Michael Stivic, aka "Meathead." was married to

Gloria, the only child of Archie and Edith Bunker in the groundbreaking TV series All in the Family (1971–1979). Rob Reiner, the actor who portrayed Meathead, recently released the documentary God and Country. The poorly received, pinko (to use one of Archie's hallmark terms) film warns about the alleged threat to American democracy posed by so-called Christian nationalists. Hollywooders afflicted with religiophobia imagine that America is on the verge of a theocratic takeover.

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Questions & Answers About Estate Planning

Pamphlet of the Month

Questions & Answers About Estate Planning discusses embracing the future by taking time to prepare for it. After explaining what occurs without a plan, the pamphlet suggests how to begin creating one. It also touches on ways to complement a will, such as trusts, joint ownership arrangements, and beneficiary designations. Finally, it suggests ways to make charitable gifts within estate plans while enjoying immediate tax savings. To receive a free copy, email staff@levitt. com or write to our P.O. Box.

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HebrewLesson

Courtesy: The Jerusalem The Fruit of His Spirit

by **John Parsons** Hebrew for Christians Hebrew4Christians.com



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"My fruit is better than gold, yea than fine gold, and my revenue than choice silver." – Prov. 8:19

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Traditional Jewish chinuch (education) identifies various middot ha-lev (qualities of heart) that attend to a genuinely Jewish life. These include Talmud Torah (studying Scripture), ahavat Adonai (loving God), gemilut chasidim (doing works of compassion), bikkur cholim (visiting the sick), and more. The follower of Yeshua likewise is intended to evidence middot ha-lev, though the Source for such comes directly from the power of the Ruach Ha-Kodesh (Holy Spirit) working within the heart of faith. The fruits listed in Galatians 5:22–23 represent nine visible attributes of a true follower of Yeshua: love (שלום), joy (שמחה), peace (שלום), patience (סבלנות), generosity (נדיבות לב), kindness (הסד), loyalty (נֵאֵמְנוּת), humility (ענוה), and self-control (שליטה עצמית).

Note that these fruits are decidedly not realized through self-effort or attempts at human "reformation." Rather, they are a supernatural outgrowth of God's grace and love in the life of one who trusts in Yeshua as Savior. They are fruits "of the Spirit" (הרוח פרי), not the result of human effort (see John 15:1–8; Mark 4:26–29). Our lives are sanctified in the manner in which they were initially justified — entirely by faith in the love, grace, and power of God.

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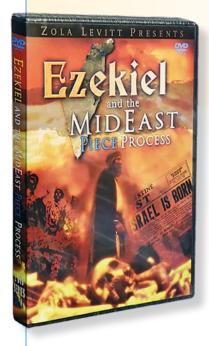
The question we must searchingly ask ourselves is whether our lives give evidence to the power and agency of the Holy Spirit within us. Strictly speaking, these nine attributes are gualities that only the Lord God Himself possesses, since He alone is perfectly loving, perfectly joyful, and so on. But since we are created be'tzelem Elohim (in the image of God) and were given the Holy Spirit to help us walk as did our Teacher (Luke 6:40), spiritual fruit should be evident in our own lives (John 14:12; 15:1-8, 26-27). But again, obtaining such fruit is invariably a matter of faith — trusting that God will help us live our lives in truthful union with Him (Zech. 4:6). This is the "work of God" (John 6:28-29).

Let us remember to pray for one another and to ask the Lord to make each of us fruitful *le'shem shamayim* — for the sake of the Name of our beloved One Yeshua. Amen 🜣



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Please see the response to A.N.B. on p. 22 and the article "Farrakhan's Lies Attack Black Support for Israel" on p. 32.









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Jacob Family dysfunction followed the birth of twin boys. The younger held tightly as he wrestled with the angel, wanting a blessing. Yet the best news of all time, the good news of salvation, came through this man who became "Israel."

Joseph Israel's sons experienced tension and betrayal before receiving redemption and deliverance from famine and drought. It is important that all people discover their Deliverer.

Moses At age 80, Moses heard the call of God to deliver His people out of Egypt. At that time, these former slaves gained access to the God of Heaven through His Holy Sanctuary. Today, Believers also have access to atonement and mercy. Deliverance is only a prayer away.

Ruth The loyalty of a young Moabite widow to her mother-in-law results in their deliverance from deprivation and in hope for the future as Ruth joins Messiah's lineage.

David The young shepherd boy had great confidence in his God. Anointed by the prophet Samuel, David became king of Israel and the ancestor of the King of kings.

Isaiah "He was despised... by His stripes we are healed ... all we like sheep have gone astray" (Isaiah 53:3, 5, 6). The most quoted prophet of the Old Testament, Isaiah's writings point to the deliverance found only in Yeshua/Jesus.

Ezekiel This exiled prophet saw dramatic visions of transformation: dry bones into living people, and water flowing from the dry mountaintop. God's grace and mercy fills people with a new Spirit and new life.

Daniel Even in the exile, Daniel kept his focus on the Lord, praying habitually. He saw events of the Last Days still to come. In difficult times, we too should employ the powerful weapon of prayer.

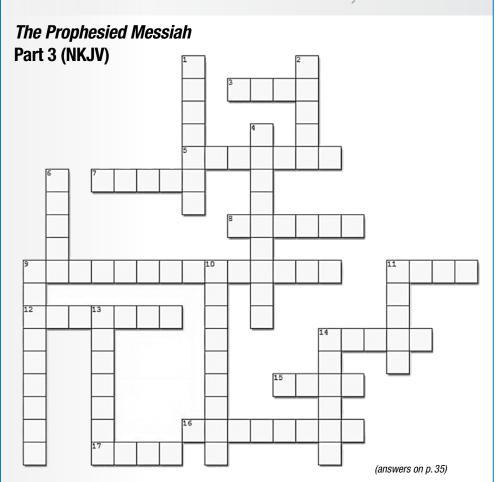
Esther Winning a beauty contest positioned her to avert a pogrom to wipe out the Jewish people. God raises up people like Esther in each generation to deliver His people, culminating in the greatest redemption: through Yeshua.

Jesus On His last night, Messiah said that He wanted to be remembered by a Passover meal. He is the door, the light of the world, and the ultimate Provider of deliverance.



Crossword June 2024

by Andrea Davis



Across:

- ...who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the __... (1 Pet. 2:24)
- 5. But one of the soldiers __ His side with a spear... (John 19:34)
- 7. But they found the __ rolled away from the tomb. (Luke 24:2)
- ...Why do you seek the __ among the dead? (Luke 24:5)
- 9. But He was wounded for our __... (Isa. 53:5)
- For You will not leave my __ in Sheol... (Ps. 16:10)
- 12. ...that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the __... (John 19:31)
- 14. ...nor shall you break one of its __. (Ex. 12:46)
- 15. ...They shall __ on Him whom they pierced. (John 19:37)
- ...repentance and remission of sins should be __ in His name to all nations... (Luke 24:47)
- 17. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already __... (John 19:33)

Down:

- 1. ...And by His __ we are healed. (Isa. 53:5)
- 2. The chastisement for our __ was upon Him... (Isa. 53:5)
- 4. ...broke the legs of the first and of the other who was __ with Him. (John 19:32)
- ...and immediately blood and __ came out. (John 19:34)
- And he who has seen testified, and his _____ is true... (John 19:35)
- 10. For these things were done that the ______ should be fulfilled... (John 19:36)
- 11. All we like __ have gone astray... (Isa. 53:6)
- 13. ...He was __ for our iniquities... (Isa. 53:5)
- 14. ...the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be __... (John 19:31)

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Roadmap to Armageddon #6 The Third Temple on YouTube

From S.S.: "Palestine" derives from a Greek word meaning "to wrestle." "Israel" in Hebrew means to "wrestle with God." Palestine is just the Greek name for Israel.

Dear S.S.,

Back in the day, Zola quoted Mark Twain: "The difference between the right word and almost right word is like the difference between *lightning* and *lightning bug*. Please keep reading for the brothers' distinction between Latin's *Palestina* and Hebrew's *Palishtim*. —Mark

"Palestine" or "Palestina" was a Latin derivative of *Palishtim*, the Hebrew for "Philistines," who indeed were Greek seafaring marauders. But according to the Hebrew, their name means "invaders." So calling God's land of Israel "Palestine" is simply mockery. —Joshua and Caleb

From K.F.C.: Brothers, the Bride is Jerusalem. We are Christ's Body.

Dear K.F.C.,

The Wife is the New Jerusalem, and we are His Bride. We have yet to complete the wedding ceremony with Messiah, and drink from the cup with Him to become His wife. Right now, we have a promise — that engagement — with Messiah. Indeed, Yeshua says that we are His body, and Paul explained this is the great mystery of how a man and a woman become one. We cannot become one with Messiah (becoming His body), without first becoming His Bride. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb

From A.N.B.: Why are you twisting the Scriptures? The Branch will build the Third Temple prophesied by Ezekiel. Show us Scriptures that there will be a fourth Temple; you will find none. The "Jewish" Messiah is for the Christians, one of the two witnesses of the Book of Revelation. Stop teaching lies!

Dear A.N.B.,

There is no denying, according to Revelation 11, that there will be a Third Temple in the middle of the Tribulation. Daniel 9:27 declares that the Beast will abominate that Temple. Yeshua verified (Matthew 24:15) that this prophecy is yet to be fulfilled. Therefore, since Yeshua's coming does not occur until the end of the Tribulation, the Branch does not build the Third Temple. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb

Dear A.N.B.,

Please see the DVD set Ezekiel and the MidEast "Piece" Process on p. 17. - Editor





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From M.C.: Why not support the Third Temple? It only means that we know then that Jesus is coming soon. The sooner He comes, the sooner we get to the millennial reign of Jesus. And that's a great thing. Be careful not to try to hinder what God said will come to pass.

Dear M.C.,

There's nothing to hinder. We cannot stop prophecy. But there is Scriptural evidence for God delaying His Words when man repents and humbles himself. Nineveh was given a 100+ year extension. Josiah scored Judah an extension on God's coming judgment. Hezekiah moved God's heart for an extension of time. Moses also moved God's heart to relent from wiping out the Israelites.

Our focus should be on repentance and the Great Commission. When we witness to the Jews about Yeshua, it is a direct and loving declaration of our intentions for them. When we support the Third Temple, claiming to support the Jewish people, we are sending them mixed signals. We want as much time as possible to reach people with the Gospel. We're not focusing on our wants and desires, but on Yeshua's own heart for the lost. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb

Holocaust Time Machine

From H.S.: Kirsten, I enjoyed reading your "Holocaust Time Machine" article (<u>April</u> <u>2024 Levitt Letter</u>, p.6). I'd like to assure you not to feel guilty about not wearing your Star of David necklace. I'm certain that the anti-Semitic protesters would have seen it and caused you and your family harm. Perhaps the Lord led you not to wear it.

What caught my attention was what your friend in Israel said about an underground network available to help the American Jewish people. You might be surprised to learn that for years I have been collecting Bibles for one purpose: On the chance that Jewish people need a hiding refuge here in America, my husband and I will make our home available to them.

We also have Shabbat candles, a Hanukkah candelabra, a prayer shawl, and other necessary items required to celebrate the Jewish festivals. The Corrie ten Boom life story so inspired me as a young woman following my conversion to Christ. The Lord Jesus will make it known to my husband and me when and if there is a need to bring Jewish people into our home to hide them.

Dear H.S.,

Thank you for encouragement. It's incredible to hear that the Lord has put it upon your heart to be ready to welcome Jewish people into your home. Of course, we pray that such a day will never come, but we Believers also must be ready. —Kirsten

The Creation Saga continues with the Bearded Bible Brothers #4 on YouTube

From UV7: The silliness is getting old. It's distracting from a message about our holy God. Dear UV7,

Our silliness has been our witnessing tool our entire lives. We can't change who God made us to be and how He's directed us to minister to others. There are plenty of heavy, emotionless, or deadpanned ministers out in the world to scratch your particular itch. But rest assured, if you watch any of our programs and material from the past five years, you will find joy, fun, silliness, and edification. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb

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A Tale of Two Raptures on YouTube

From G.P.: I have a couple of conservative Jewish friends in Israel who can directly trace their lineage to one of the original twelve tribes of Israel. They follow all of the Laws written in the Talmud. They pray daily to Yahweh and regularly read the Torah. They also keep the Sabbath. Despite all of their godliness and being very good, friendly people, they reject Jesus. In their words, Jesus was a rabbi and the Messiah will come when the Third Temple is built.

I asked one of them how they can remove their sins since the Temple is gone and the animal sacrifices are no longer performed. They replied that there was no Temple when the people of Israel were in captivity by King Nebuchadnezzar, yet Yahweh still accepted the Jewish people into Abraham's bosom. Since the Jews are God's Chosen People, do they get salvation for keeping the Laws of the Old Testament? Or do Jesus' words, "No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6), mean that they will face the same fate as unbelievers?

Dear G.P.,

We feel that you already know the answer to this question. There is only one way to the Father, and that is indeed through Yeshua. God does not make exceptions because He is just. That's why it's imperative for us to do our part in reaching those within our sphere of influence with the Gospel of Yeshua. There are even those in churches today who believe that their attendance, confirmation, or family history gains them access to Heaven. But it is still incumbent upon each one of us to personally choose whether we will repent and accept Yeshua as our Substitution — our Savior. We know that the Word of the Lord does not return unto Him void (Isaiah 55:11). We do our part to testify to the truth, and the Holy Spirit will do the rest. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb

The greatest persecution humanity will face. #shorts on YouTube

From E.G.: Do you think God has mercy for the very people who killed His one and only Son and deny His name and His Son's name? Wake up, son of Cain.

Dear E.G.: Someone's being a bit anti-Semitic. Yeshua declared in John 10:18 that He gave up His life freely. Nobody could kill Him or take His life from Him. May you get to know the true love of Messiah. Blessings. —Joshua and Caleb 🕸



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From Israel to Cincinnati: Reds Coach Champions Hostage Awareness

IsraFan.com



Israel's Alon Leichman wears a "Bring Them Home Now" T-Shirt in his role as assistant pitching coach with the Cincinnati Reds.

Alon Leichman, an Israel-born coach for the Cincinnati Reds, is making waves in Major League Baseball not only for his athletic prowess but also for his heartfelt advocacy. Known for his deep connection to his Jewish roots, Leichman uses his platform to support the hostages taken by Hamas.

Leichman's journey into baseball began in an unusual setting — Kibbutz Gezer, located between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. There, baseball is not just a sport, but a slice of American culture transplanted by the kibbutz's American founders.

"All kids on the kibbutz play baseball," Leichman explained, reminiscing about his early days playing shortstop at age six.

Today, at 35, his career has taken him far from the kibbutz fields, yet his heart remains tied to his homeland, especially amid the ongoing crisis after the October 7 attacks by Hamas. This profound connection is visibly evident, not only in his choice of apparel — a poignant "Bring Them Home" message emblazoned on his practice gear and glove — but also in his active efforts to support Israeli communities affected by the conflict.

Leichman's commitment was highlighted during his last visit to Israel. Peter Kurz, former president of the Israel Association of Baseball, shared: "Even during the war, when he was here over the last few winter months, we volunteered together to help Israeli agriculture, picking oranges and avocados to support our farmers in these tough times."

The coach's dedication resonates far beyond Israel. The Cincinnati Reds, recognizing the gravity of the situation, issued a powerful statement condemning the terrorist attacks and expressing solidarity with Israel — a gesture that Leichman deeply appreciated. "It was a big deal," he noted, acknowledging the support from his team's management that extended beyond mere words.

"All kids on the kibbutz play baseball..."

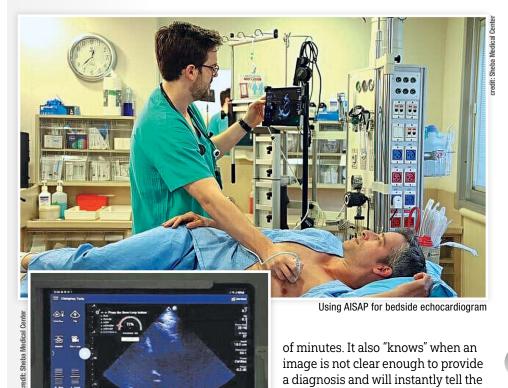
Leichman's story is a testament to the global bonds that sports can forge and the platform they provide for advocating for crucial causes. His actions emphasize the power of standing together in times of crisis and the importance of keeping the plight of hostages at the forefront of international consciousness.

As the situation evolves, Leichman continues to be a beacon of hope and solidarity, embodying the resilience and courage that define the spirit of Israel. His story is a clarion call to the world — to remember the hostages and work tirelessly toward their safe return.



Israeli Device Diagnoses Heart Problems in Minutes

By Batya Jerenberg / WorldIsraelNews.com



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of minutes. It also "knows" when an image is not clear enough to provide a diagnosis and will instantly tell the person to perform the scan again.

The screening process has been used on about 1,000 patients so far, and half of them resulted in a finding that required medical intervention.

In 25% of the cases, the 5-15-minute test actually changed the doctors' plans for the patients, sending many for life-saving procedures as a result.

"While the accuracy of diagnosing heart failure through a physical examination alone. using a stethoscope, is 35%, the accuracy with AISAP testing is over <mark>95%</mark>," said Prof. Robert Klempfner,

Prof. Robert Klempfner holds an example of a ultrasound scanner probe that can be used with AISAP technology.



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The AISAP platform indicates the extent to which the necessary ultrasound scan image has been completed properly.

A revolution in heart health is seemingly imminent as an Israeli startup has invented technology that diagnoses heart problems at a patient's bedside within minutes — with a success rate of over 95%

A group of technological wizards and heart specialists from Sheba Medical Center developed a platform called AISAP — derived from AI (Artificial Intelligence) and ASAP (as soon as possible). The software is linked through a tablet to a standard, hand-held ultrasound scanner.

With hundreds of millions of previous cardiac images in its database, AISAP can diagnose eight vital heart functions from only two scan points in a matter

the director of Sheba's Heart Rehabilitation Institute.

Klempfner co-founded the AISAP company that was incorporated through Sheba's innovation arm to bring their new technology to the world. Some 18 million people worldwide die from cardiovascular disease each year, according to the World Health Organization. Many lives could be saved if a quick and accurate test were readily available when a patient enters a doctor's office complaining of symptoms such as shortness of breath, fatigue, or chest pains.

Small ultrasound devices have existed for some time. Although costing only a few thousand dollars, they can be used only by highly skilled personnel. The for those who are question-marked by AISAP, significantly reducing their wait time.

This was the challenge that actually jump-started the company. Adiel Am-Shalom is a computer specialist who served in an Israeli intelligence unit before moving on to cybersecurity in the private sector. He asked senior staff at Sheba what was a prevalent health problem that he and other skilled friends could solve. They learned of a major backlog of echocardiograms, as there were too few technicians and cardiologists available. In Sheba alone, about 1,000 requested tests a month were not being performed, directly endangering patients' lives.



AISAP system, however, can be learned in a few dozen hours. It can be used with any brand of scanner, and the operator is assured that only accurate information reaches the platform.

The information can then be shared securely with other medical professionals in any other location. This could help millions who don't have access to the standard, and very expensive, echocardiogram machines that many places cannot afford.

In hospitals that have echocardiogram machines, which test for far more indicators, these can then be saved just

The AISAP platform can be used on any tablet.

The success of the initial clinical test was so great that the new technology received Health Ministry approval. Physicians in all internal medicine departments in Sheba have been trained in how to use it. In the U.S., AISAP is seeking FDA approval and is in the final stages of a clinical trial in several states.

Imagine how many lives this miraculous technology could save each year, along with the savings on Americans' health expenses! —Mark ☆

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Israeli Jews and Arabs Unite to Treat Wounded, Save Lives

By Julie Stahl CBN.com





Staff at Sheba Medical Center show their unity in this 2021 photo.

Hospitals in Israel are reaching breaking points after months of treating civilians, former hostages, and wounded soldiers from the fighting in Gaza. One positive result of the stress and strain is how Israeli Jews and Arabs are working with each other to save lives.

Workers at Sheba Medical Center feel that they're almost always on a nearwar footing. Steve Walz, the hospital's spokesman explained, "On October 7, we got word that something terrible was happening down around Gaza, and we started receiving the flow of patients ... in the afternoon, in the evening into October 8, which was the busiest day."

More than a thousand soldiers and civilians have been treated here. Walz said that the cases include trauma, mental stress, and bullet and shrapnel wounds. Then came those who had been held hostage.

"We had a special team dedicated just to dealing with the hostages — where they get a doctor, a psychologist, and a social worker to deal with each hostage," Walz recalled. "And so, to date, we've dealt with 32 hostages and one dog."

Sheba Medical Center at Tel HaShomer is the largest medical facility in Israel.

It has treated some 70% of the Israel Defense Forces soldiers wounded since October 7.

"We've been learning on the run. All the doctors who've been dealing with the hostages and even the wounded soldiers have, more or less, had to throw away the medical book," Walz related. "We're rewriting it because from the soldier's point of view, the doctors are seeing wounds, severe wounds, that we've never seen before — because every few years, unfortunately, the ammunition gets upgraded, so it's more damaging to the body."

The war has also affected Walz personally. In late October, he learned that a helicopter was arriving. Shortly afterward, his daughter called and explained that her husband, Eliyah, was on the flight. He had been seriously wounded by a mortar and a sniper after emerging from his tank to check on something outside.

After multiple surgeries and months in the hospital, Eliyah is doing well. "He's a hero," Walz declared. "And he got a tremendous amount of TLC here, like every soldier does." It was traumatic for the whole family, especially for Walz's daughter, who had been married for less than a year.



Roey, a reservist, first fought terrorists inside Israeli border communities on October 7. Then came the call to enter Gaza, where he was wounded, and then brought to Sheba. Roey said of the staff, "They (are) really, really amazing everything that you need, they give it to you. And they do the best, so you can go back to be like you [were] before the war, physically and mentally."

While Roey has a long recovery ahead and the trauma remains, he's hopeful. "I want to go back to my work as soon as possible, so I can continue with the regular life as good as I can," Roey stated. "But I know part of me is still in Gaza. We are strong and we are united, and we're going to win this."

Aaron, a reserve combat soldier, was on a business trip when Hamas invaded. "I got back from the United States, and I joined my unit in

the South as we prepared to be part of the first wave of the ground operation into Gaza," Aaron recalled.

After weeks of training, they entered Gaza on

foot, going house to house, looking for tunnel entrances. "From the second we got there, we

were shot at constantly. [There were] AK 47s, snipers, RPGs, anti-tank missiles, mortar shells. You get used to this cacophony of explosions around you," Aaron explained.

While passing a United Nations-operated school 15 days later, his unit came under fire. His commander said, "Let's ask permission to go into the house." When they stopped, however, a sniper behind the school took advantage of the pause and started shooting.

As Aaron ran to save his commander, the sniper shot him in his leg, side, and back. "It's incredible. It's miraculous," Aaron declared. "The fact that I get to keep my leg, that I'll make a full recovery. All of this is not taken for granted."

While he's been at the center for about four months, Aaron noted how well he's been treated. "The unique way that people come together here, the amount that you feel that the Arab Israelis and Jewish Israelis are united here in Sheba for one purpose, which is just to provide immaculate, incredible care."

Walz calls Sheba a prime example of how Israelis work together. Noting that 25%





of the staff are Israeli Arabs, Walz explained that Jews and Arabs work alongside one another to save the lives of both civilians and soldiers. "There's no

Sheba Medical Center

differentiation. [It's] something that we do during the year also with Palestinians [whom] we treat from Gaza and the West Bank."

To be successful, Walz says Sheba remains a politics-free zone. "You walk in the door here. We check our politics at

the door. We're a hospital with a hope, without boundaries," he insisted. "The war is outside of our doors and inside is the battle to save lives."

During our tours, we often witness beautiful working relationships and friendships between Jews and Arabs throughout Israel. It's a shame that most media outlets don't show this humanity in action. —Kirsten \$\$\$





Tarek Bazzi

Michigan Muslims: "Death to America! ... Death to Israel!"

By Chris Donaldson / BizpacReview.com

The crowd chanted, "Death to America!" and "Death to Israel!" Those shouts weren't heard in the Middle East, however. They sounded in America's Midwest, where Islamic extremism festers.

In a shocking video, a crowd in Dearborn, Michigan was worked into a frenzy by a radical Muslim who denounced the American system and the Jewish democracy. His rant marked International Al-Quds Day in April, an anti-Israel, anti-Zionist hate fest. In 1979, Iran's then-dictator, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, leader of the Iranian Revolution, designated the day as an annual event. *Al-Quds* is the Arabic name for Jerusalem.

The video, posted by the Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI), features Tarek Bazzi, who blamed the U.S. for Israel's war in Gaza. Bazzi quoted Malcolm X in asserting that the U.S. is "one of the rottenest countries that has ever existed on this Earth."

Continuing his tirade, Bazzi added, "Gaza has shown the entire world why these protests are so anti-America. Because it's the United States government that provides the funds for all of the atrocities that we just heard about. ... It's not just Genocide Joe that has to go. It is the entire [U.S.] system that has to go. Any system that would allow such atrocities and such devilry to happen and would support it — such a system does not deserve to exist on God's Earth.

"When these fools ask us if Israel has the right to exist ... the chant 'death to Israel' has become the most logical chant shouted across the world today," Bazzi proclaimed as the crowd chanted "Death to Israel!"

The scene echoed the truth of a February column in *The Wall Street Journal* that designated Dearborn, with its heavily Muslim population, as "America's *Jihad* Capital." In the column, MEMRI Executive-Director Steven Stalinsky wrote: "Thousands march in support of Hamas, Hezbollah, and Iran. Protesters, many with *kaffiyehs* covering their faces, shout 'Intifada, intifada,' From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free,' and 'America is a terrorist state.' Local imams give fiery anti-Semitic sermons." Stalinsky later told Fox News Digital that the town has been a "hotbed of hate for many years."

Palestinian Teen Kills Twin Brother for Collaborating with Israel

by Troy O. Fritzhand / Algemeiner.com

A 19-year-old Palestinian from the West Bank city of Jenin murdered his twin brother for allegedly collaborating with Israeli security forces. Karim Jabarin, a member of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) terror group, was caught in March and confessed his "crime" of working with Israel. Afterward, Jabarin's brother and other PIJ members killed him, Palestinian media reported.



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Children being trained in a 2016 PIJ summer camp in Gaza

In videos that circulated on social media, crowds of onlookers reportedly kicked, slapped, and cursed the teen's corpse. His family disowned the young man and said, "We don't know him."

Jabarin allegedly provided information that led to targeted Israeli strikes, including the killing of Ahmed Barkat, who last year was responsible for a fatal shooting in the West Bank. Such killings among Palestinians for those considered "collaborators" with Israel are somewhat common.

Likewise in Gaza, Palestinians who oppose the ruling Hamas terror group are often killed. During its violent uprising following Israel's complete withdrawal from Gaza in 2005, Hamas killed hundreds of those associated with Fatah, the rival party led by Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas.

Earlier in March, Hamas executed the leader of the Doghmush clan and 10 young men of the clan, after Israel had contacted them about distributing aid in Gaza.

Iranian Youth Sell Kidneys Amid Poverty IranIntl.com

Rising numbers of teens are selling their organs in Iran amid the country's worst-ever economic crisis. According to the Tejarat News website, many young people advertise in Iran's organ market, where a kidney is priced between \$5,000 to \$10,000.. Widespread poverty and rising inflation have fueled the trend in recent years, with many Iranians selling organs to help pay medical bills and support their families amid dire living conditions.

According to the Iranian government's regulations, kidney donors receive around \$1,300 as a "reward." Nonetheless, outside "agreements" between donors and recipients provide donors with additional financial benefits.

The Tejarat investigation revealed that 16-year-old "Hamid" was selling his kidney "a little cheaper" due to urgent financial problems. Saeed, 20, said he wants to sell his kidney for \$6,000 so that he can raise enough money to rent a house. Two 19-year-old boys and a 22-year-old girl were among many others who admitted having advertised for the sale of their kidneys on the internet and on streets near hospitals and clinics.



A wall in Iran advertising the sale of body parts.

In May 2023, Jahan-e-Sanat daily reported a sharp increase in the sale of Iranian organs in neighboring countries as a result of extreme poverty. According to the newspaper, the "brokers" send the donors — often between the ages of 18 and 40 — to Iraq, the United Arab Emirates, and Turkey, to sell their organs for \$7,000 to \$15,000.

With increasing poverty in Iran over the past two years, people are also advertising the sale of other body parts including livers, corneas, bone marrow, sperm, and eggs. 🕸

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Farrakhan's Lies Attack Black Support for Israel

By Pastor Dumisani Washington / JPost.com



Nation of Islam followers listen to Louis Farrakhan in February 2024.

Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan gave his annual address at the 2024 "Saviours' Day" in Detroit. His speech focused on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the current Hamas-Israel war. It essentially comprised over three hours of 1) anti-Semitic statements, 2)

deception, 3) manipulation, 4) revisionist history, 5) false prophecy, 6) false Biblical teachings (especially from the Torah and the Hebrew prophets), and 7) cheerleading for Hamas. Thousands of Nation of Islam followers in the audience gleefully applauded his words.

Embracing False Teaching

Since the early 2000s, I have observed Farrakhan's teachings.

Whenever I heard him speak, it was almost always during a cable broadcast of a Black church service, where he would stand at the pulpit with the Koran and the Bible on either side of the podium. Considering that I grew up in a devout Christian home, the Nation of Islam and Louis Farrakhan were not regular topics of discussion, so watching this display in my 30s was a novelty. It struck me how Farrakhan's obvious conflation of Koranic and Biblical theology was readily received by the pastors and service attendees. Like a cult leader, he deceived those who embraced and admired him. But it wasn't until a few years later that I heard Farrakhan's unabashed anti-Semitic rants.

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Louis Farrakhan speaking at "Saviours' Day"

I've lectured and written extensively about his profound Jew-hatred, including in my book Zionism & the Black Church. While Farrakhan's anti-Semitism is not a reflection of the majority of Black Americans, he has a significant influence on prominent Black leaders — lawmakers, professional athletes, entertainers, and others. Though Farrakhan's February speech had many points to unpack, I will focus on his false conclusions about Israel's destiny and Black support for Israel.

Proclaiming Israel's Destruction

His conclusion begins as follows:

What I gave is prophecy that you can find in the Bible and Koran, that Israel is not gonna stay in the Middle East ... and when that war triggers all of the countries that it will trigger — the war of Armageddon — will be all over the Earth. China will be involved. Russia will be involved ... North Korea will be involved. And there'll be no hiding place for anyone.

Farrakhan references the international war against Israel (Armageddon) as explained by the Prophet Ezekiel. He implies that the result of that war will be Israel's removal, even though the Bible states exactly the opposite.

Let's be very clear — this is tantamount to calling God a liar.

Shortly after, Farrakhan directly addressed Jewish and Israeli officials attempting to reach Black American youth, saying:

[This younger generation of Black Americans] refuses to be controlled by the (pro-Israel) forces that controlled their fathers and their grandfathers. That is over! So, I say to Israel, "Leave the Black youth alone! Don't come into our community trying to kill us to satisfy your blood lust."

Lies vs. Truth

Let's review Farrakhan's latest falsehoods:

- Armageddon means the end of Israel.
- Black Israel supporters (most of whom base their sentiments on the Bible) are controlled by Israel/ Jews.

- Jews and Israel need to leave the Black youth alone after attempting to indoctrinate Black youth with false prophecies.
- Israel is trying to kill Black youth to satisfy [their] blood lust which is yet another Jew-hating blood libel.

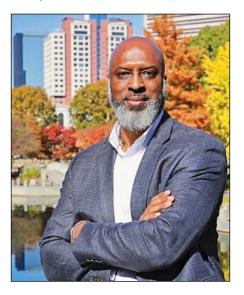
For over 3,500 years, leaders much more powerful than Minister Louis Farrakhan have declared the end of Israel — that the Jewish homeland would cease to exist.

Those leaders are all gone. Yet, Israel is still here — and always will be.

As the Prophet Amos declared:

"I will restore the fortunes of My people Israel, and they shall rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine, and they shall make gardens and eat their fruit. I will plant them on their land, and they shall never again be uprooted out of the land that I have given them," says the LORD your God (Amos 9:14–15).





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Archaeology Ancient Roman Military Base Found in Israel



By Pesach Benson / JNS.org



Archaeologists have uncovered the remains of a Roman military base in northern Israel dating back 1,800 years, the Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) announced recently.

The excavation, at the foot of Tel Megiddo, sheds light on the military presence and infrastructure of the *Legio VI Ferrata* (Iron Legion), according to the IAA.

Tel Megiddo, also known as Megiddo, occupies a strategic position overlooking the Jezreel Valley, a key crossroads of ancient trade routes connecting Egypt and Mesopotamia. Its history spans thousands of years, making Tel Megiddo one of the most extensively excavated sites in the region.

Among the discoveries are sections of the Via Pretoria, the camp's main road, as well as a semicircular-shaped podium and stone-paved areas that formed part of a large public building. According to the IAA, the sheer scale of the base — 1,805 feet long and 1,148 feet wide makes it a unique find in the region.

"While Roman military camps are known in Israel, they are temporary siege camps, or small camps belonging to

The Megiddo excavation site

auxiliary divisions," explained excavation director Yotam Tepper. "None compares with the entire complex of the legionary base, as has been uncovered in the archaeological excavations at Legio, next to the Megiddo Junction," he added.

"The Roman legion camp at Legio served as a permanent military base for over 5,000 soldiers for more than 180 years. It was a strategic hub from which distances along the Roman Imperial roads to major cities in the north were measured and marked," Tepper noted.

The excavation has also yielded coins, weapons parts, pottery sherds, and glass fragments, along with a vast quantity of stamped roof tiles.

Tel Megiddo, which has been inhabited continuously for over 5,000 years, is mentioned several times in the Bible. Christian texts often refer to the site as "Armageddon." The national park was designated as a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).





Jewish Humor, etc.

A cheerful heart is good medicine Proverbs 17:22

Top That!

While attending a charity dinner, a rabbi was seated next to a prominent woman. To impress the rabbi, the woman mentioned that one of her ancestors was present at the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The rabbi quickly responded, "My ancestors witnessed the giving of the Ten Commandments."



An Important Commandment

The teacher was teaching about the Ten Commandments, specifically, honor your parents.

One student asked: "Is there a commandment about siblings?"

Immediately, another student answered: "Sure, thou shall not kill!"

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