



ATONEMENT & RESTORATION

The Jews call it Yowm Kippur, the King James Scriptures call it "the day of Atonement." To the Jews, it is the most "holy" time of the year. What is so special about this day, and furthermore, should we all be observing it?

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One of the things that this author has learned is the fact that the Sabbaths and annual holy day proclaimed by Yahweh are for a purpose and reason that has escaped the knowledge of the world. Christianity, paganism, and Islam have turned their backs on the commands, days, times, and seasons delivered to ancient Israel by Yahweh and are therefore ignorant concerning the plans and purposes of their own Creator.

The day of Atonement, or Yowm Kippur is one of those special times/seasons of the year commanded by Yahweh. He commanded, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a **day of atonement**: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before Yahweh your Elohim. For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people. And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people. Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your Sabbath," Lev. 23:26-32.

The Jews, churches, and assemblies that observe these days have determined that the manner in which we "afflict" ourselves is through "fasting," that is, going without food and drink (including water) for the whole 24 hour period.

Notice that refusal to do this will result in being "cut off" from among His people, while working on this day will bring "destruction!"

ATONEMENT

The Hebrew words for "Day of Atonement" are yowm ha-kippurim. Yowm is the Hebrew word for "day," while ha-kippurim means "the coverings." "Coverings" comes from the root word kaphar, which is defined as; a primitive root; to cover

(specifically with bitumen); figuratively, to expiate or condone, to placate or cancel (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* #H3722).

Further instructions were given concerning this day of Atonement in Leviticus chapter 16. The high priest was only allowed to enter the holiest place (*qodesh ha-qodeshim*/holy of holies) wherein was the ark of the covenant upon which Yahweh sat, once a year, "And Yahweh said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the vail before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat," Lev. 16:2.

"Mercy seat" is translated from the Hebrew word ha-kaphoret. It also comes from the exact same word as kippurim, that is, kaphar. The "mercy seat" was the "lid", or "cover" for the ark of the covenant.

What was inside the ark? The tables of the covenant (Ex. 40:20) whereupon were written the ten commandments (Ex. 34:28) that Israel had promised to obey and do (Ex. 19:8; 24:3, 7).

On the day of Atonement, the priest had to offer a bullock first for himself and his family (Lev. 16:3, 6). He was also to take two kids of the goats for the congregation of Israel upon which he was to cast lots to determine which would be for Yahweh and which would be for the scapegoat (azazel = goat of departure, hardness, or failure). (Lev. 16:5-10, 15-22)

These animals were offered every year for the **sins** of the priesthood and the people. The greater animal, the bullock was for the priesthood because they officiated between Yahweh and the people, teaching them about Yahweh's laws and the importance of obedience. The bullock typified Yahshua in His capacity as the "Priest after the order of Melchizedek," (Psa. 110:4).

The lesser animal, the goat for Yahweh was a type of the future sacrifice that Yahshua would offer for the people. The original Passover animal for all of the people could be taken from the sheep or the goats (Ex. 12:5).





This whole process was called "figures" in Hebrew 9:9. The word "figures" was translated from the Greek word *parabole* which was elsewhere translated as parable. Yahshua came speaking in parables in order to keep the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven hidden from the many only revealing the meanings behind them to His faithful followers. (Mt. 13:1-11)

NO MAN

The tabernacle was a type of Yahweh's heavenly dwelling place. It was the earthly man-made type. It was made according to the heavenly pattern (Heb. 8:5). The man who was inspired to oversee the whole project was named Bezaleel which means "in the shadow of El." (Ex. 31:2)

Hebrews witnesses, "Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which Yahweh pitched, and not man. For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer. For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law: Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of Yahweh when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount," Heb. 8:1-5.

No man was to enter into the tabernacle while the Aaronic priesthood was officiating the atonement, "And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel," Lev. 16:17.

Yahshua told the people of His day, "Then said Yahshua unto them, Yet a little while am I with you, and then I go unto him that sent me. Ye shall seek me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come," Jn. 7:33-34.

He also told His disciples, "Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you," Jn. 13:33.

Neither the people of His day, nor His disciples understood what He was saying. But He, as the Priest after the order of Melchizedek, had to go into the tabernacle not made with (men's) hands in the heavens to make atonement for His people. He remains there to this day, and will return at the appointed time to receive those who are His to Himself, and to institute the kingdom of heaven on earth for the promised seventh millennial rule.

THE LIVE GOAT

When the high priest had finished the work of applying the blood of the slain goat as commanded, he was to come out of tabernacle, "And he shall go out unto the altar that is before Yahweh, and make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about. And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel. And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy place, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat: And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness," Lev. 16:18-22.

This is a parable, a type of the time when Yahshua, the High Priest after the order of Melchizedek, will return from His atoning work in the heavenly tabernacle. He will place the sins of the people back where they belong, that is, the head of the serpent Satan, who will then be bound and cast into the abyss, "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season," Rev. 20:1-3.

The serpent originated man's sins by deceiving mother Eve in the Garden of Eden into partaking of the forbidden fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 3:1-13).

Paul writes that it was one man, Adam, who brought all of the sins upon himself and his posterity (Ro. 5:12-21).

THE JUBILEE





Yahweh also commanded, "Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto Yahweh. Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof; But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for Yahweh: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard. That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither gather the grapes of thy vine undressed: for it is a year of rest unto the land. And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee, And for thy cattle, and for the beast that are in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be meat. And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years. Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land," Lev. 25:2-9.

Notice that on the tenth day of the seventh month in the fiftieth year they were to proclaim JUBI-LEE! This was a very special time! This was a time of restoration, "And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family. A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the grapes in it of thy vine undressed. For it is the jubile; it shall be holy unto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the field. In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession," Lev. 25:10-13.

Again, the Jubilee is a parable, a type, a mystery of the kingdom of heaven. The disciples asked Yahshua, "When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Master, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:6.

They knew that Yahshua had come for the purpose of restoring Israel. Peter had declared, "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the **times of refreshing** shall come from the presence of Yahweh; And he shall send Yahshua the Messiah, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive

until **the times of restitution of all things**, which Yahweh hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began," Acts 3:19-21.

"Refreshing" is translated from the Greek word anapsuxis which is defined as; a recovery of breath, revival (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance #G403).

"Restitution" is translated from the Greek word apokatastasis which is defined as; reconstitution, as in health, home or organization, (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* G#605/600).

This RECOVERY OF BREATH; this reconstitution to health, home, and organization, this time of liberty, and return of every man to his family, and inheritance is prophesied in Ezekiel!

"The hand of Yahweh was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of Yahweh, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Sovereign Yahweh, thou knowest. Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of Yahweh. Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am Yahweh. So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts. Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. And ye shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and





brought you up out of your graves, And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I Yahweh have spoken it, and performed it, saith Yahweh. The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying, Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions: And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand. And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these? Say unto them, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand. And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes. And say unto them, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all: Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgres-

sions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their Elohim. And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them. And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever. Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people. And the heathen shall know that I Yahweh do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore," Ez. 37 (all).

This is the time of liberty, the time of recovery of breath, the time of reconstitution, the time of restitution of all things, the time of liberty, the JUBI-LEE! This will take place on the day of Atonement (*Yowm Kippur*) in the very near future because the time is nearer than we think.

May Yahweh open your eyes to see these things. May they soon become the reality promised! Praise Yahweh through His Son Yahshua the Messiah of Nazareth by Whom He will accomplish all of these things!