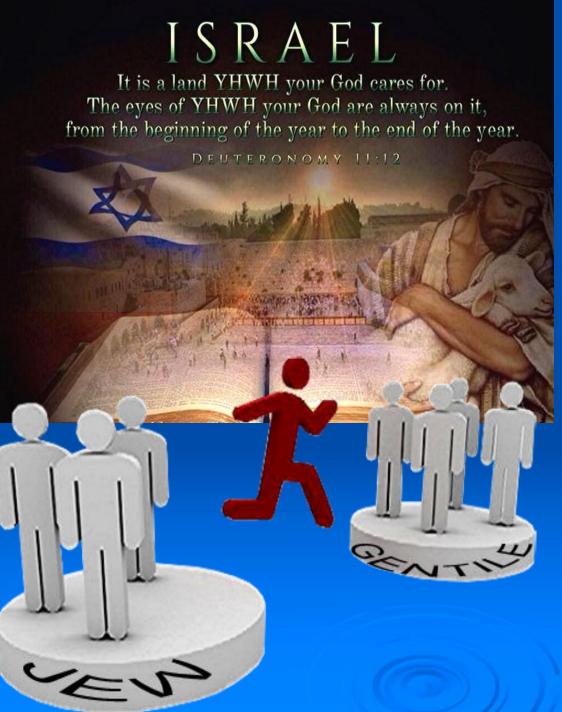
PAUSING TO TAKE IN THE VIEW



- Ingrained anti-Jewish & anti-Law worldview colors Academic conclusions and Church doctrines
- Hebraic Heritage approach removes filters and adds back in the natural Jewish backdrop for the Bible and mindset of its writers
- > The Bible is a 100% Hebrew source document
- If one reads and believes the Bible, we can't help but to love Israel, see God's faithfulness to Israel, and to embrace the Jewish people



- Removing Israel from Scripture guts it of context and humanity
- God does not ask a Jew to become a gentile or vice-versa
- Yeshua, Paul and all NT Bible characters reflect a 1st century Jewish culture
- Be an ambassador of Messiah!
- Church needs to repent of it's anti-Semitic doctrines

- Paul insists that Messiah is the goal, essence, underlying and overarching substance of the Law of Moses
- Yeshua is the Word
- John 1:1 − 14
- The ONLY Word that existed in NT times was the Old Testament
- Christ confirms continuing relevance of The Law
- Matthew 5:17 19

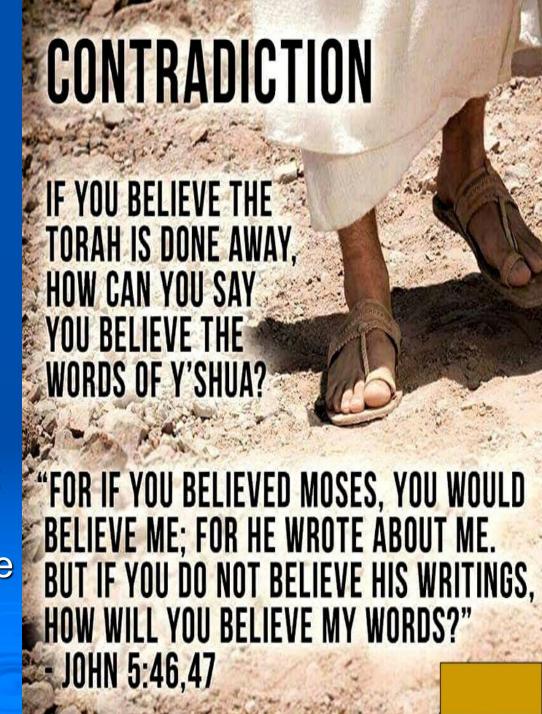


the Living Torah

IN THE BEGINNING
WAS THE WORD AND THE
WORD WAS WITH GOD,
AND THE WORD WAS GOD.



- God does not equate zeal for Him with salvation
- It must be based upon correct understanding
- Two kinds of righteousness
- 1) The saving kind. Free gift from God. Gives eternal life.
- 2) Doing right. A result of our deeds.
- Both are valid, both are needed in a Believer's life



THE POWER OF THE SPOKEN WORD



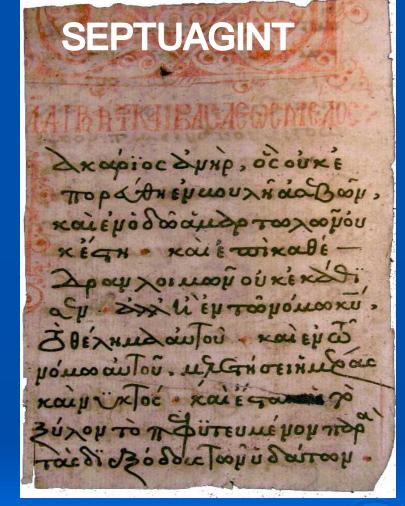
- True belief must be within us but also must be confirmed with our mouths
- > Romans 10:10
- > NOT optional!
- Paul says if you will not publicly confess your faith, then you are not the Lord's



GOD'S FORMAL NAME Heh Vav Heh Yud

- > Kurios is Greek
- Kurios = adonai = master = lord
- God's formal name is used over 6,000 times in the Hebrew Tanach (OT)
 - 300 B.C., Jews no longer pronounced God's name
- Used HaShem, Eloah, Adonai instead
- Kethiv = what is written
- Qere = what is read

- ➤ 99% of the time that we see the words "God" or "Lord" in the OT, in the original it is Yud-Heh-Vav-Heh
- Septuagint substitutes the word Kurios (lord) every time YHVH appears
- Paul used the Septuagint as his "personal" Bible (as did most Diaspora Jews)
- Cranfield: Yeshua "..shares the name, nature, holiness, authority, power, majesty, eternity, of...the true God"
- Paul is emphasizing the divine essence of Yeshua



Yehoveh

HVHY

neh vav heh yud



- Messiah (Mashiach) = Christ or Savior
- In 2nd Temple period a Messiah is the one God anointed to rescue Israel...but was NOT divine
- Paul is saying that Yeshua was BOTH "Lord" (divine/God) AND "Messiah" (deliverer/human)
- Many mainstream Jews believed similarly, Paul did not introduce the concept

- > The context of Joel:
- Jerusalem is under siege and this just precedes the dreaded Day of the Lord
- Same as Christian "Armageddon"
- Paul thought this was imminent in his day
- His major point: gentiles as capable of trusting as are Jews

NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN JEW AND GENTILE

For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."



Romans 10:13

Joel 3:5

4 LINKED QUESTIONS



- Who is Paul addressing? Who is "they"?
- Very unclear; but likely is still Jews of Rome
- > Paul calls upon his straw man to ask the 4 questions
- Questions try to say that Israel can NOT be saved by this Messiah, and they didn't have a fair opportunity to call on Him if they wanted to
- Paul will refute these questions one by one
- Straw man's main issue: only God can elect the person to send with the message of Good News.....and He didn't
 OR did He?