



A-Z BIBLE STUDY 7

THE MESSIAH: STEEPED IN THE LAW

I. THE MESSIAH: POWERFUL TEACHINGS

1. The Messiah spoke mostly in metaphors or parables utilizing the terms of the prophets: “Why call you Me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?” Luke 6:46 “Whoever comes to Me, and hears My

sayings, and _____, I will show you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built a house (his temple), and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock (Yeshua): and when the flood arose (tribulation/the cares of life), the stream beat vehemently upon that house (temple) and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock (Yeshua).” Luke 47-48 Jesus does not say explain “His sayings” which people are expected to do – why?

2. “Howbeit in vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines of the commandments of _____.” Mark 7:7 Who were the people that Yeshua addressed when it came to teaching doctrines of the elders or as He calls them, “doctrines of men”.

Is this still going on today? _____ That’s why the Bible is relevant - again- nothing new under the sun. The Word of God is relevant to every generation that reads it.

3. What are some of these doctrines of men that can be confusing? Washing of pots and pans is what

today? _____ Let’s read Mark 7:13-19. What do you think Jesus is speaking about? How are these scriptures many times used?

_____ Now let’s read a little before this- Mark

7: 1-5. NOW- what is this scripture referring to? _____

4. Did Jesus do away with the Sabbath? _____ Let's look at Luke 6:1-11. Let's discuss the term that Jesus uses: The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath.

5. "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name drive out demons and perform many miracles? Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you workers of _____. Matthew 7:23 Let's look at the examples these believers use in this scripture: prophesy in your name, drive out demons in your name and perform miracles - what do all these things have in common?

_____ Can you now see how you must know the law to interpret the scriptures? These are all things done before man. They are not to glorify the individual. Luke 16:15 "And He said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God." (Deut 13:1-3) "If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, and the sign or the wonder comes to pass this means it happens!, of which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods' — which you have not known meaning what he says does not match up with scriptures, or what GOD says — 'and let us serve them,' you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Another example is Pharaoh's magicians - what do they do? They mimic the miracle of Moses' staff turning into the snake. The deception in the end times will include signs and wonders - that if possible, will be so powerful they would deceive the elect. Therefore, we must seek Yahweh and

6. Matthew 9:35 "And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom." There are two things here: Did Yahweh ever give a

commandment to build synagogues? _____ Jesus is teaching the gospel before the cross,

remember - what is the gospel of heaven? It is through _____

7. Speaking of the tribulation, Jesus says, "But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day." Matthew 24:20 Here, we find Jesus expecting people to be adhering to the Sabbath day when He returns. Why does He feel bad if the tribulation comes on the Sabbath?

8. Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to His disciples: “The scribes and Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. So practice and observe everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach....” Matthew 23:2 The old saying, “Do as I say, not as I do” comes from here- what did they say and what did they do?

9. This teaching of “priests/pastors/rabbi’s” in theology school still carries on today from the 1600’s in North America. Did Yeshua ever command anyone to go to school? What did He command? It was much simpler than having to go to school: _____

10. “And He said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be _____, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning _____. Me. Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures.” Luke 24:44-45 What scriptures did He give understanding? _____ Does it sound like Jesus is giving them understanding so they could do away with it? _____ He was pointing to how He fulfilled the law and prophecies that were spoken of Him! Let’s look further into what law/feasts He was sent to fulfill!

II. FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW/SIN

1. Jesus says something VERY peculiar that we must break down to understand! “But He answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the House of Israel. Matthew 15:24. Who are the House of Israel? _____

2. Why did Yeshua come for them? There is a law that Yeshua was sent to fulfill - so let’s dig into that! What was the House of Israel given by Yahweh that the House of Judah was not?

3. Let’s read Romans 7! Churches teach that this chapter proves that God did away with the law. However, remember – God said the law is _____, and to pass it down from generation to generation. Therefore, what is this chapter talking about? It’s talking about the law of divorce (mainly that He had to divorce His people) – God MUST obey the law for God is not a sinner. Who did the 10 Tribes become a harlot with? _____

4. Romans is explaining the law of marriage: “So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress (this was the 10 Tribes): but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.” Romans 7:3 Just as death frees her to remarry, so does divorce, however, above, it is stating that she was married to one man (God) and married another as well (the world). Who is the spiritual woman of the law?

_____.

5. Who has been released to marry again? _____. We are going to see why!!!

6. Here, we see something peculiar in the New Covenant, Yeshua is called the _____ and we are called the _____. Are we married yet? _____. Yeshua is coming for His Bride (who has been made clean and new through His Passover (dying on the cross, and we died WITH him). “By faith, we remember that we are in him, having died with him, we live with him.” Galatians Therefore, since we also died (spiritually), the Woman (believers), is free to marry another (remember, death sets you free from the divorce certificate).

7. And through Jesus, we have a redeemer- because we were permanently defiled and could not remarry the first, because the first was our husband and we committed adultery against him. According to the law, you cannot remarry your first husband if you’ve been with another “man” (the world). Therefore, we were _____, without a way back to God, due to the law of the divorce certificate. This is why hope has been restored in the New Covenant!

8. Remember, Jesus said, “Think not that I have come for the whole world, I have not come but only for the lost sheep of _____. Why did he say this?

9. Because Jesus is the second husband - He acts on behalf of the first. “I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him.” Paul writes this in 2 Corinthians 11:2 More importantly, how do the 10 Tribes become virgins again and marry another man?

Through His death (and ours), we have been set free from the law of _____ (not the law of God!!!) We are now called children of _____ and no longer does God call Himself our Husband in the New Covenant. We are called _____. Jesus is the first fruit – He rose the day of First Fruits after being crucified on Passover, the first Son of God. We are now worthy to be called sons and daughters as well.

10. How does the rest of the world become redeemed? Why were the 10 tribes dispersed into the world? We will find it in Romans chapter 11! I'm going to break this down for you as I read it! 17 But if some of the branches were broken off (10 tribes who were given the divorce certificate – this is not the people who call themselves Jews - the House of Judah was never given a divorce certificate. We must take this meaning from prophesy and prophesy tells us that the 10 tribes were cut off and scattered into the 4 corners of the world), and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root (Messiah) of the olive tree, 18 do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root (Messiah), but the root (Messiah) that supports you. 19 Then you will say, "Branches were broken off (10 tribes) so that I might be grafted in (the exile that was scattered)." 20 That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear. 21 For if God did not spare the natural branches (10 tribes), neither will he spare you (the exile). 22 Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off (the exile). 23 And even they (10 tribes), if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. 24 For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches (10 tribes), be grafted back into their own olive tree. Romans 11:17-24

11. Ezekiel: 37 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ² And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³ And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵ Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." ⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. ¹¹ Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

III. FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW/PRIESTHOOD

1. Yeshua fulfills the law of divorce AND the priesthood. Before the priesthood and the temple, who was the earthly mediator of the Israelites? _____
2. What was the temple set up for? _____. The priesthood or the tribe of the _____
3. What percentage were the people to give to the priesthood to carry out this responsibility? (sacrifice and atonement) _____. The high holy priest was only permitted into the Holy of Holies (another analogy of heaven or being in the presence of God) once a year and he was commanded to do a specific ritual of cleansing before he was permitted to enter. What would happen if he was not clean? _____ What separated this Holy of Holies from the rest of the temple? _____ .
4. When the Messiah was on the cross and said, "It is done and gave up the Ghost- what tore? _____
5. Why is this significant? When that veil tore- Who did it give direct access to? _____. We no longer need a priesthood or a "go between" on earth.
6. Let's look at some Scriptures: "This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil, where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever...Hebrews 4:14
"The former priests, on the one hand, existed in greater numbers because they were prevented by death from continuing." Hebrews 7:23
"But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins year by year. For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. Therefore, when He came into the world, He says, "Sacrifice and offering you have NOT desired, but a body have prepared for Me...." Hebrews 10:3
"Neither by the blood of bulls and goats, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Hebrews 9:12
"How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works (meaning sacrifices of animals) to serve the living God?" Hebrews 9:14

7. “And for this cause, He is the Mediator of the new covenant, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament (or covenant, which was adultery), they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.” Hebrews 9:15

8. “For the priesthood being changed, there is made a necessity of change also of the law.” Hebrews 7:12 We need to see here there is a change- it is not done away with- but in fact

9. Hebrews 4:14-16 “Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are- yet He did not sin (does this sound like Jesus is God? Can God be tempted in sin?). Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

10. Let’s think about this! What must this mean? We are going from a physical priesthood to a

11. Let’s see what happens to the quintessential leader of the church: “But you are not to be called ‘Rabbi’, for you have one Teacher, and you are all brothers. And do not call anyone on earth father, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one Instructor, Christ. The greatest among you shall be your servant.” Matthew 23:10. In fact, the only time the word religion is mentioned in scriptures is in James 1:27: “Pure and faultless religion deemed acceptable to God is this, to care for the widow and fatherless and do not allow oneself to become corrupted by the world.” That’s it- and do you know that this is in the law as well?

12. Tithing! Since the Old Covenant of the priesthood is done away with - can we find tithing in the NT or new Covenant? _____ HOWEVER- What does Yeshua say when it comes to giving to God? “for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick or in prison, and come to You? And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.’ Matthew 25:35-40 And which commandment sums this up? “Treat your _____ as yourself.

13. Know ye not that ye are the _____, and the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 1 Corinthians 3:16

14. These things I have written to you concerning those who are trying to deceive you. As for you, the anointing you received from Him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you what is Truth. For the Spirit teaches you about all things, and what He teaches is True- it is not a lie. So just as He has taught you, remain in _____ with Christ. 1 John 2:26-27

15. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, “Know the Lord”, because they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.” Hebrews 8:11 AND Jeremiah 31:34

16. ‘And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and do good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near. For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins.....Hebrews: 24-25 How do we know what sin is? _____

17. So how should we gather? How should we act in that gathering? “And if a revelation comes to someone who is sitting down, the first speaker should stop and keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted” 1 Corinthians 14:30

18. How does God feel about different “churches” or different gatherings? “My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe’s household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. What I mean is this: One of you says, “I follow Paul”, another, “I follow Apollos”, another, “I follow Cephas”; still another, “I follow Christ.” Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of Paul? 1 Corinthians 1:11-13 Does this scripture encourage gatherings to give different names to their gatherings or different religions? _____-

Let us always remember:

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

(Ephesians 4:1-6)