



# So What's The Difference?

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Chapter Four

Judaism

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# Major Religions of the World

## Judaism, Islam, Hinduism



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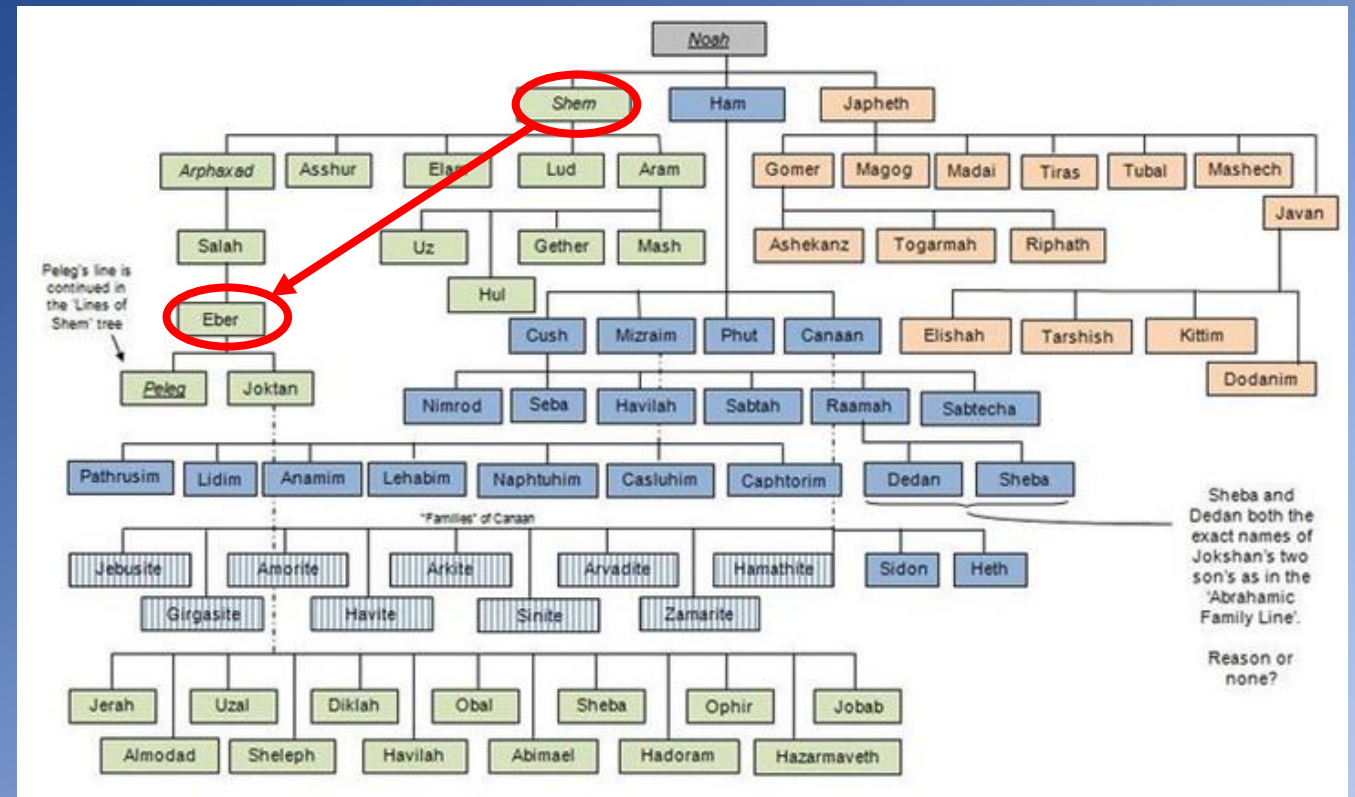
## Judaism

PLUMB LINE: 1 Cor. 15:3-4

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures...he was buried...he was Raised on the third day according to the Scriptures

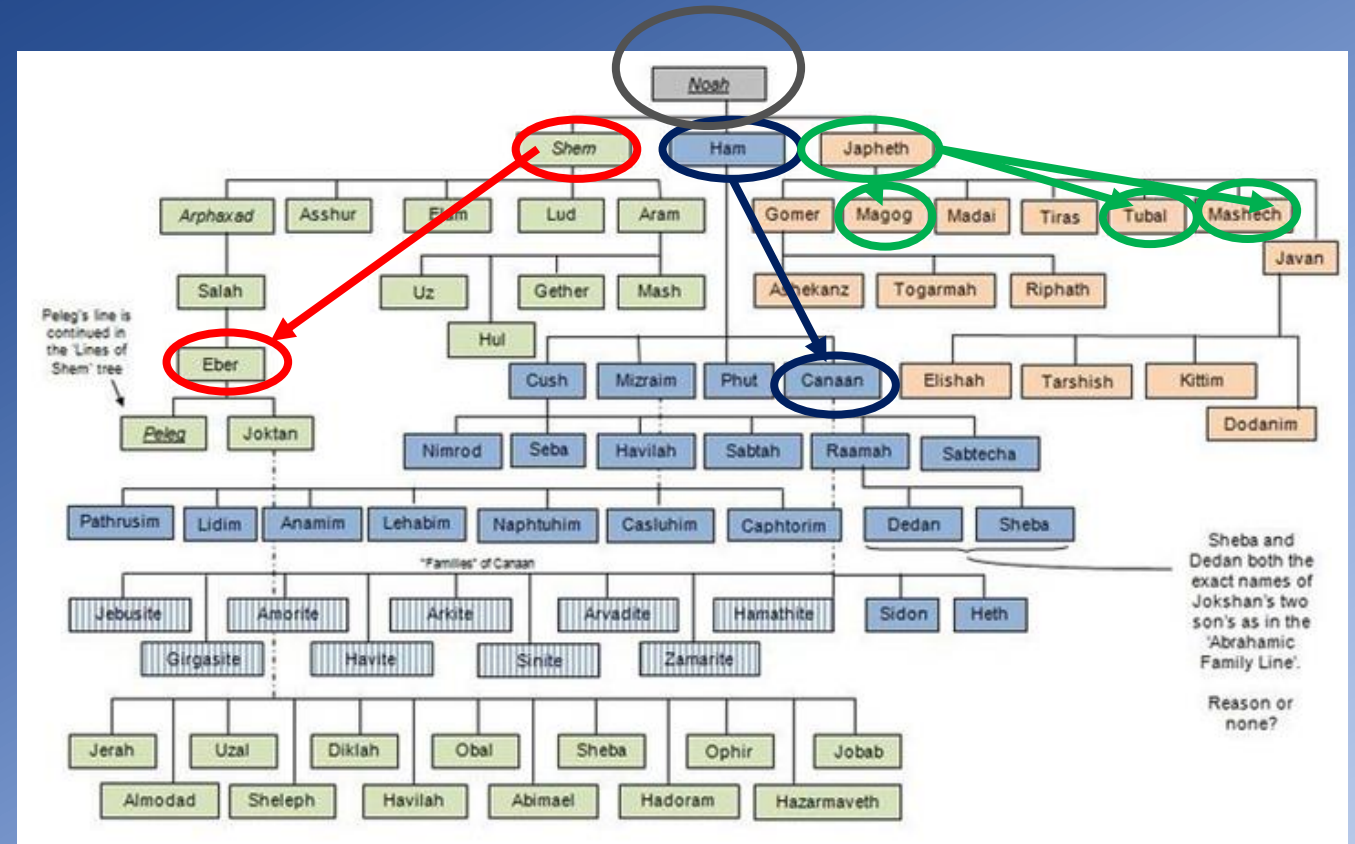
# Introduction

- Jewish people are descended from the ancient **Hebrews**. This name comes from Eber, their traditional ancestor (mentioned in Gen. 10:21).



- One can go back farther to the name Shem, a son of Noah (mentioned in the same verse). From Shem comes the word “**Semitic**,” which refers to a group of peoples that includes both Jews and Arabs.

- [Abraham was the father of the Jewish nation Genesis 12:1-3.]  
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- After the death of King Solomon about 922 B.C., the Israelites were divided into two kingdoms: the northern part called Israel, the southern part called Judah.



- In 721 B.C., the **Assyrians** swept down on the northern kingdom (Israel) and scattered its people.
- The only Hebrew people left were Judeans, who lived in the southern kingdom of Judah.
- From that time on, those who had been known as Hebrews were called Jews, an abbreviation of Judeans.



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- The **Old Testament** contains the history of the Jewish nation and are the only scriptures recognized by the Jewish people.
- The **Torah**-the Law is of particular importance and is contained in the first five books of the Old Testament.

## BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

OLD TESTAMENT - 39 Books			NEW TESTAMENT - 27 Books	
<b>LAW - 5</b>	<b>POETRY - 5</b>	<b>MAJOR PROPHETS - 5</b>	<b>GOSPELS - 4</b>	<b>PAUL'S LETTERS TO FRIENDS - 4</b>
GENESIS	JOB	ISAIAH	MATTHEW	1 TIMOTHY
EXODUS	PSALMS	JEREMIAH	MARK	2 TIMOTHY
LEVITICUS	PROVERBS	LAMENTATIONS	LUKE	TITUS
NUMBERS	ECCLESIASTES	EZEKIEL	JOHN	PHILEMON
DEUTERONOMY	SONG OF SOLOMON	DANIEL		
<b>HISTORY - 12</b>		<b>MINOR PROPHETS - 12</b>	<b>HISTORY - 1</b>	
JOSHUA		HOSEA	ACTS	
JUDGES		JOEL		
RUTH		AMOS		
1 SAMUEL		OBADIAH	<b>PAUL'S LETTERS TO CHURCHES - 9</b>	<b>GENERAL LETTERS - 9</b>
2 SAMUEL		JONAH	ROMANS	HEBREWS
1 KINGS		MICAH	1 CORINTHIANS	JAMES
2 KINGS		NAHUM	2 CORINTHIANS	1 PETER
1 CHRONICLES		HABAKKUK	GALATIANS	2 PETER
2 CHRONICLES		ZEPHANIAH	EPHESIANS	1 JOHN
EZRA		HAGGAI	PHILIPPIANS	2 JOHN
NEHEMIAH		ZECHARIAH	COLOSSIANS	3 JOHN
ESTHER		MALACHI	1 THESSALONIANS	JUDE
			2 THESSALONIANS	REVELATION



- The Romans destroyed the Temple in A.D. 70. Since then, the Jews have had no place to offer sacrifices for their sins. See Daniel 9:25-26; Matthew 24:1-2 [★]
- In **1948**, the state of Israel was born and became a homeland to Jewish people.



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- In 1967, the Israelis captured all of Jerusalem the first time they had held it as a free people since 586 B.C. [1381 years].



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# Jewish Customs and Laws

There are four different forms of Judaism today: Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and Messianic.

## Orthodox

- Orthodox Jews try to follow the letter of the Law. They carefully study the **Torah** (Law or teachings) written down by Moses.



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- The Torah denotes the body of doctrine, written and oral, that has come down through the Jewish community.
- Orthodox Jews also observe other teachings of famous rabbis through the centuries. Some of these teachings were written down around A.D. 200 in a book called the Mishnah.

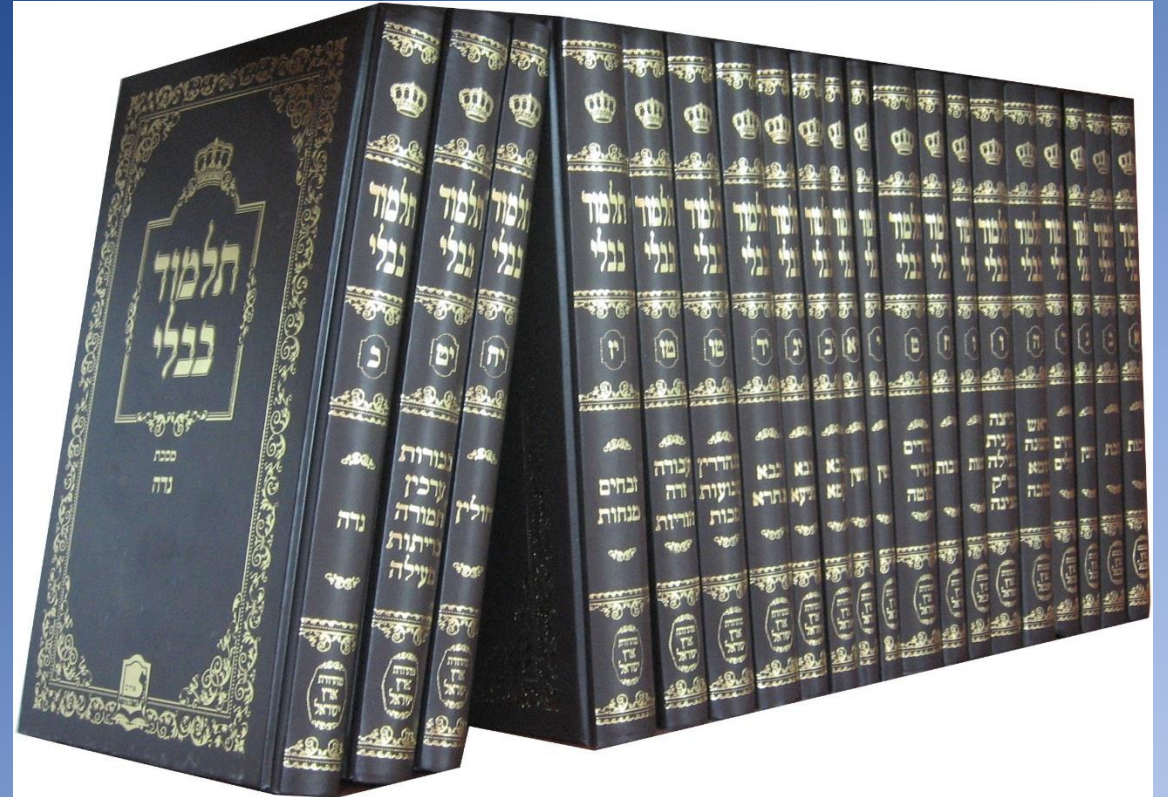


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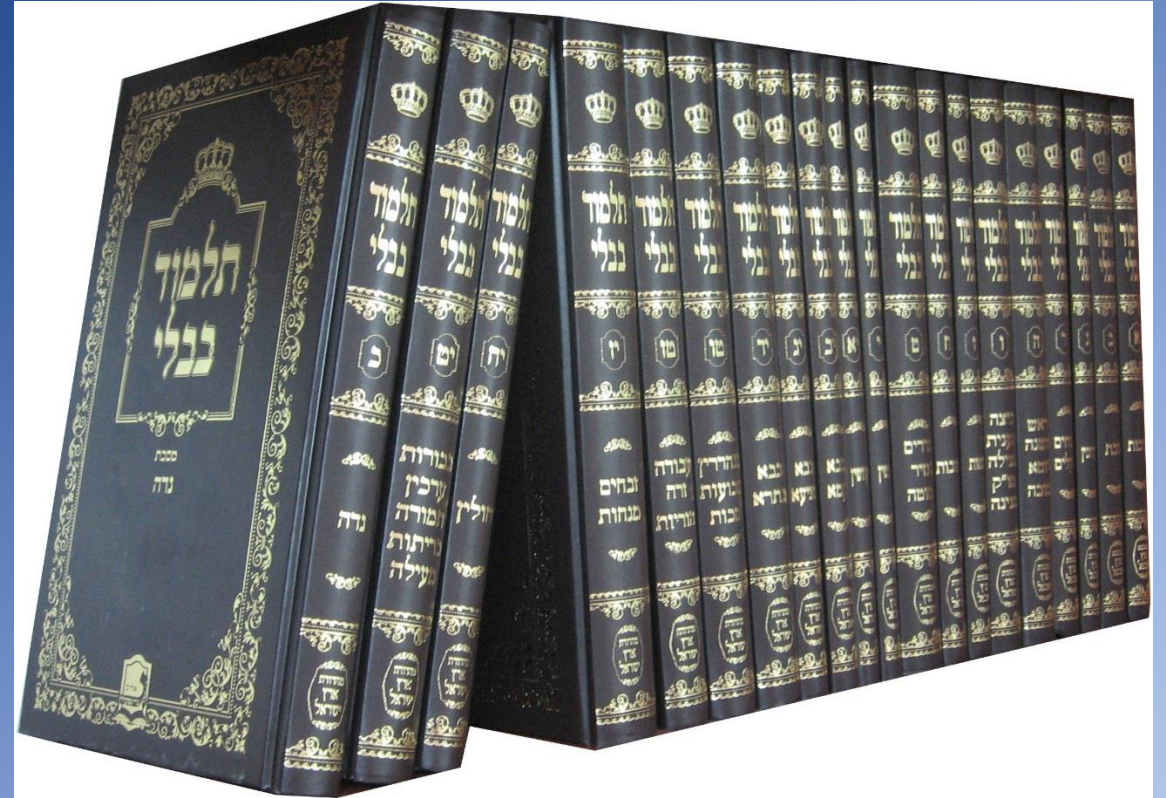
- The Mishnah is about 1,000 pages long and consists mainly of instructions for daily living known as Halakah [Ha-la-ka], or “the way to walk.”



- Around A.D. 500 another book of Jewish learning was compiled called the **Talmud** [Tal-mood]. The Talmud runs to about 36 volumes. It is based on the Mishnah, but much more material has been added, especially certain famous stories called the Haggadah [Ha-ga-da].



- These three books-the Torah, the Mishnah and the Talmud-rule every facet of the Orthodox Jew's life.
- Orthodox Jews are very strict in dietary restrictions and are very careful to observe the law in all ways (no work on the **Sabbath** (travel, use the phone, write, touch money or pose for pictures on the Sabbath) Matthew 11:29-30 [[\\*](#)]



# Conservative Jews

- Conservative Jews have a more **lenient** interpretation of the Torah.
- They do, however, believe that the Law is vitally important and they strive to keep alive the **Hebrew** language and the traditions of Judaism.



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## Reformed Jews

- Reformed Jews teach that the **principles** of Judaism are more important than the practices.
- Most Reformed Jews do not observe the dietary laws or other laws, such as what a Jew should or should not do on the Sabbath. [Hebrews 4:4-11 explains the New Testament Sabbath [\*]]



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- Orthodox, Conservative and reformed Jews all agree that the **Sabbath** and the holy days must be observed.

## Jewish Feasts

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* Passover (Unleavened Bread)	Nisan	14-21	Mar-Apr	Ex. 12:43-13:10 Matt 26:17-20
* Pentecost (First Fruits or Weeks)	Sivan	6 (50 days after Passover)	May-June	Deut 16:9-12 Acts 2:1
Trumpets <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	Tishri	1,2	Sept-Oct	Num. 29:1-6
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* Tabernacles (Booths or Ingathering)	Tishri	15-22	Sept-Oct	Neh 8:13-18 John 7:2
Dedication (Lights) <i>Hanukkah</i>	Chislev	25 (8 days)	Nov-Dec	John 10:22
Purim (Lots)	Adar	14,15	Feb-Mar	Esth 9:18-32

\* The three major feasts for which all males of Israel were required to travel to the Temple in Jerusalem (Ex. 23:14-19)

- High Holy Days of Judaism are Rosh Hashana (the Jewish New Year-Sept. or Oct.); Yom Kippur (the Jewish Day of Atonement-10 days after Rosh Hashana); and the Passover (Around Easter time)

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# Jesus Christ: The Great Divide

- Jesus claimed to be the **Messiah**, the Son of God: John 4:7-26; 39-42; Matt. 16:16; 26:63-65; Luke 24:26; John 8:28) [\*]
- Christians include Old Testament prophecies to predict Jesus' claim as messiah:
  - Micah 5:1-3 (the Messiah would be born in **Bethlehem**; see Matt. 2:3-6) [\*]
  - See John 7:52 [\*]



- Isaiah 7:14 (a virgin would bear a son and He would be called Immanuel; see Matt. 1:23) [[\\*\]](#)
- Zechariah 9:9 (the King would come riding on a donkey; see the Palm Sunday passage, Matt. 21:4,5). These are just a few. [[\\*\]](#)
- See Daniel (9:25) [[\\*\]](#)
- Many Jews were looking for an **earthly** king.



# The “Suffering Servant” of Isaiah 53

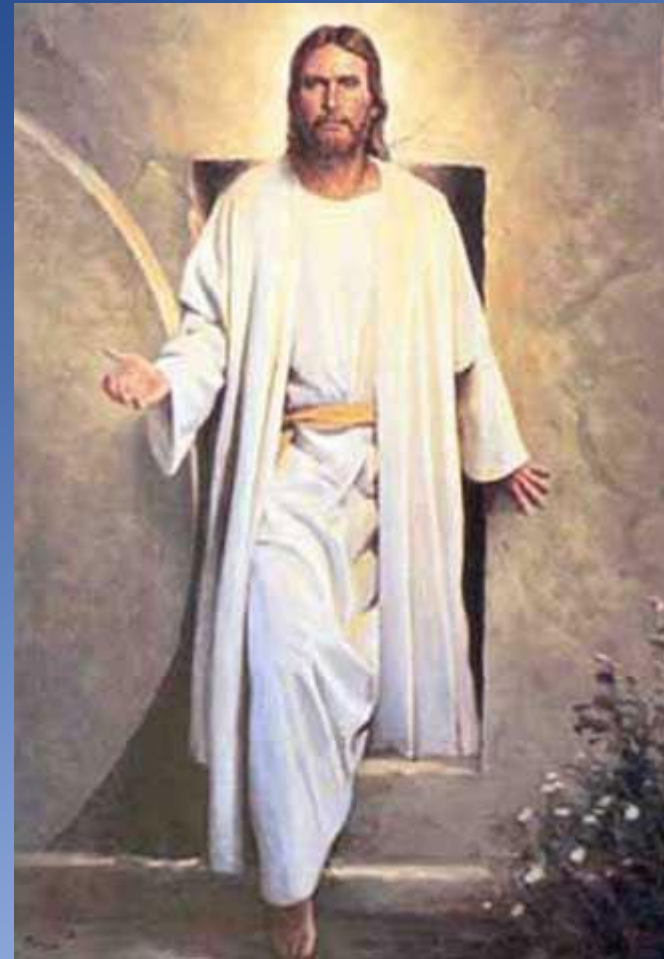
- Perhaps the greatest of these prophetic passages is in the book of Isaiah.
- Beginning with chapter 49, Isaiah describes God’s “servant,” the Messiah King, who will **suffer** to redeem His people from their sin and to turn Israel to the Lord (Isaiah 53:3-26).



- Isaiah 53:3-The Messiah will be despised, rejected, sorrowful and full of grief [\*] see John 1:10-12. [\*]
- Isaiah 53:7-9-The Messiah would bear punishment for mankind's **transgressions**-[\*]see 1 Peter 2:24-25. [\*]

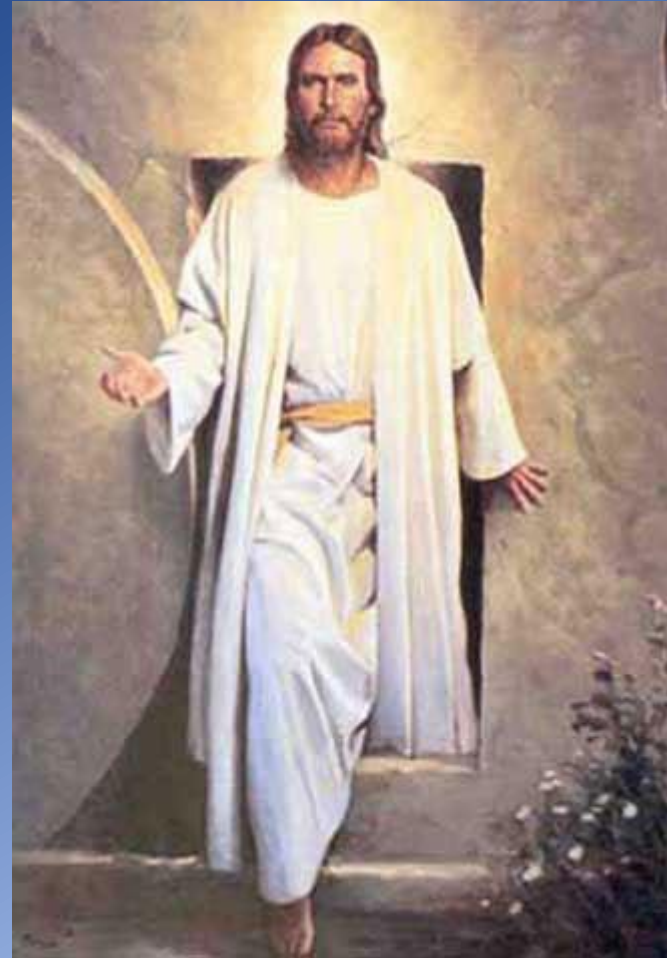


- Isaiah 53:7-9 describes just how the Messiah would **die**.
  - See Matt. 27:57-60 and Luke 23:32,33. [\*]
  - See Psalm 22 [\*]
- Psalms 16:10 prophesied the Messiah's triumphant [\*] **resurrection**.
  - See Acts 2:27-31-Peter quoted this prophecy in the first sermon of the Early church. [\*]





- Many people had seen the risen Jesus; they knew that the prophecy had been fulfilled.



# Messianic Jews Break The Mold

## Messianic Judaism

- Messianic Judaism is a movement that gained increasing momentum during the last decades of the twentieth century.

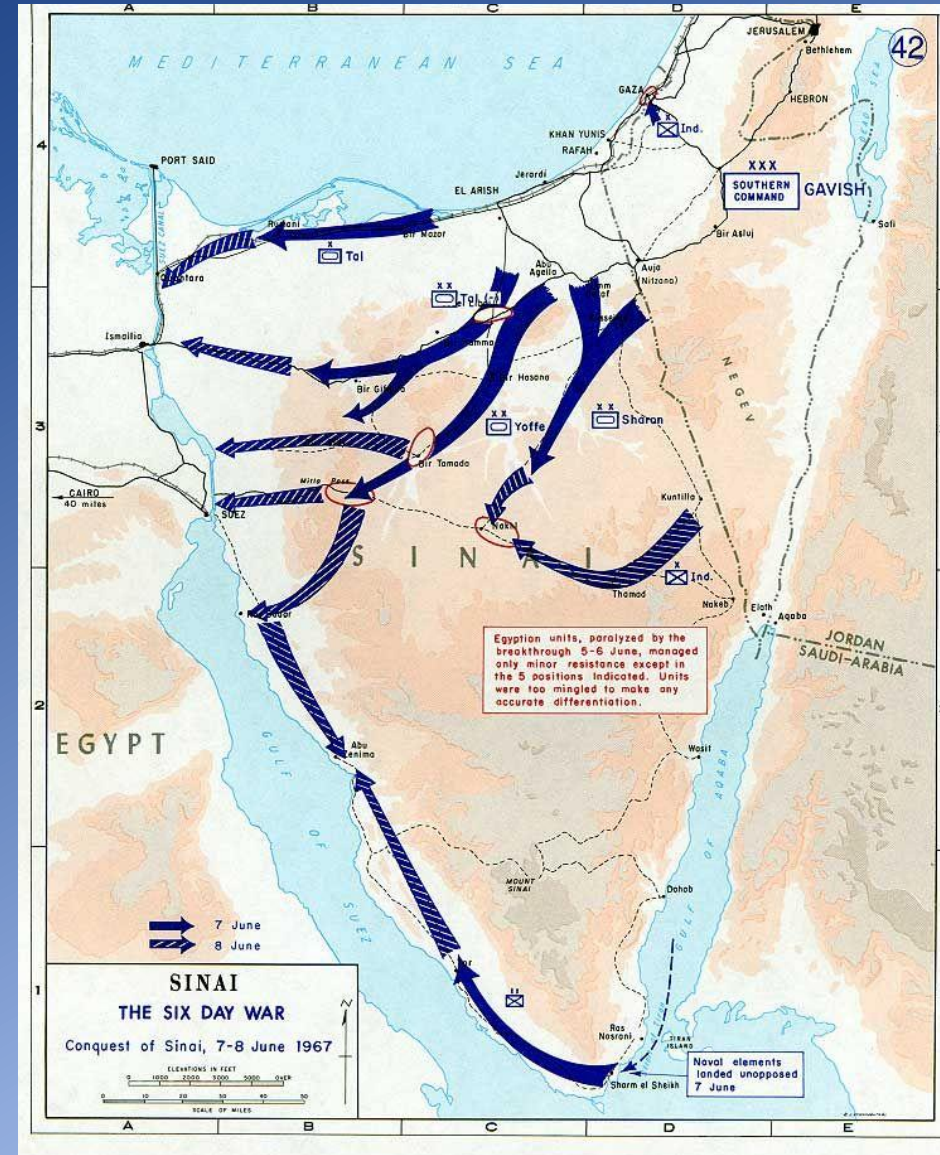


- Messianic Jews, from every walk of life, believe that **Yeshua** (the Hebrew name for Jesus) is the promised Jewish Messiah and Savior for Israel and the world.
- There have always been some Jewish people who came to believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. But something unanticipated and new began in 1967.



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- At the end of the **Six-day War**, Jerusalem suddenly came back into Jewish hands after nearly 2,000 years under Gentile domination.



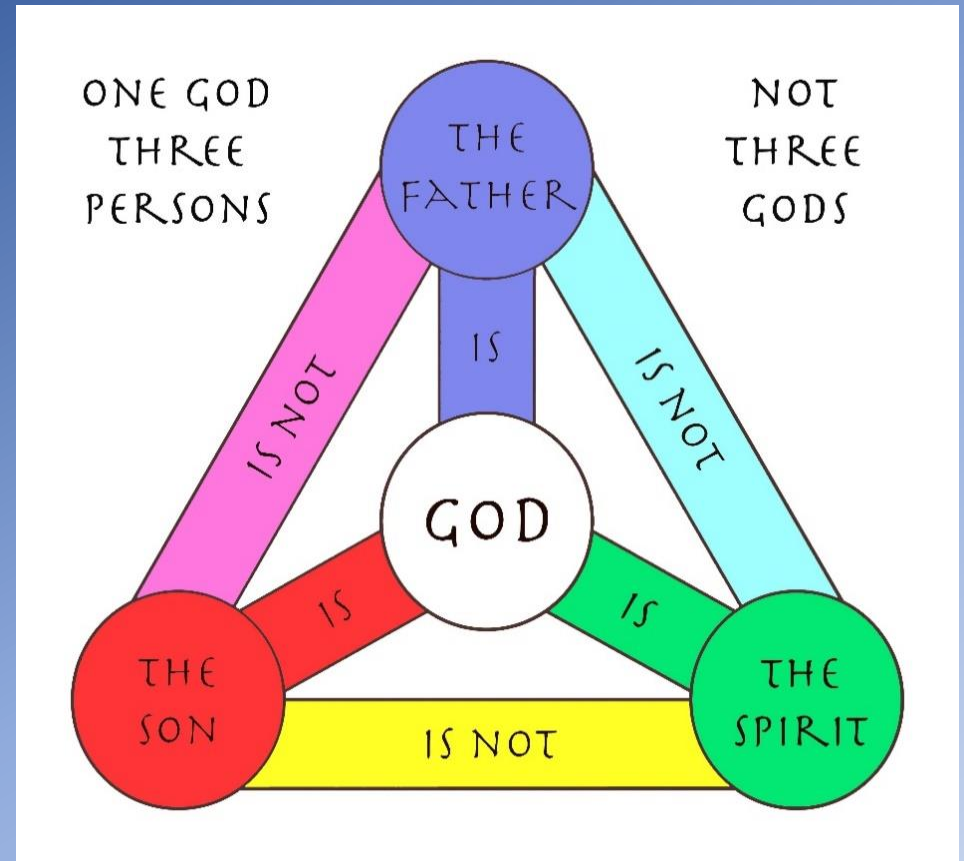
- Tens of thousands of Jewish people suddenly accepted Yeshua as their **Messiah**.
- Citing biblical prophecy (Deut. 30:1-3; Hos. 3:4-5; Joel 2:28-29; Luke 21:24), some Messianic leaders suggest that the movement of Jewish people embracing Jesus as Messiah and forming Messianic synagogues may be an important fulfillment and indicator of end-time restoration of **Israel** as a nation. [\*]



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# Summing Up Major Differences Between Jews (Excluding Messianic Jews) And Christians Regarding God

- The Jews believe that the Lord God is one (Deut. 6:4) [\*\_]
- Christians believe there is one essence of the Godhead in which reside three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, coequally and coeternally God (Matt. 3:13-17; 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14). [\*\_]



## Regarding Jesus Christ

- Some Jews may accept Jesus as a good teacher or even a prophet, but they **reject** Him as Messiah, because He claimed to be divine and He failed to deliver Israel from Oppression.



- Christians respond that Jesus is God as well as man, and He died to redeem **all** men from sin (Mark 10:45; John 1: 13-14; 1 Peter 2:24) [[\\*](#)]



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## Regarding Sin

- Jews believe that man is not born good or evil; he is born free to choose between the two.
- Christians teach that everyone is born in **sin** and falls short of God's standards (Rom. 3:10,23; 5:12). [\*]



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## Regarding Salvation

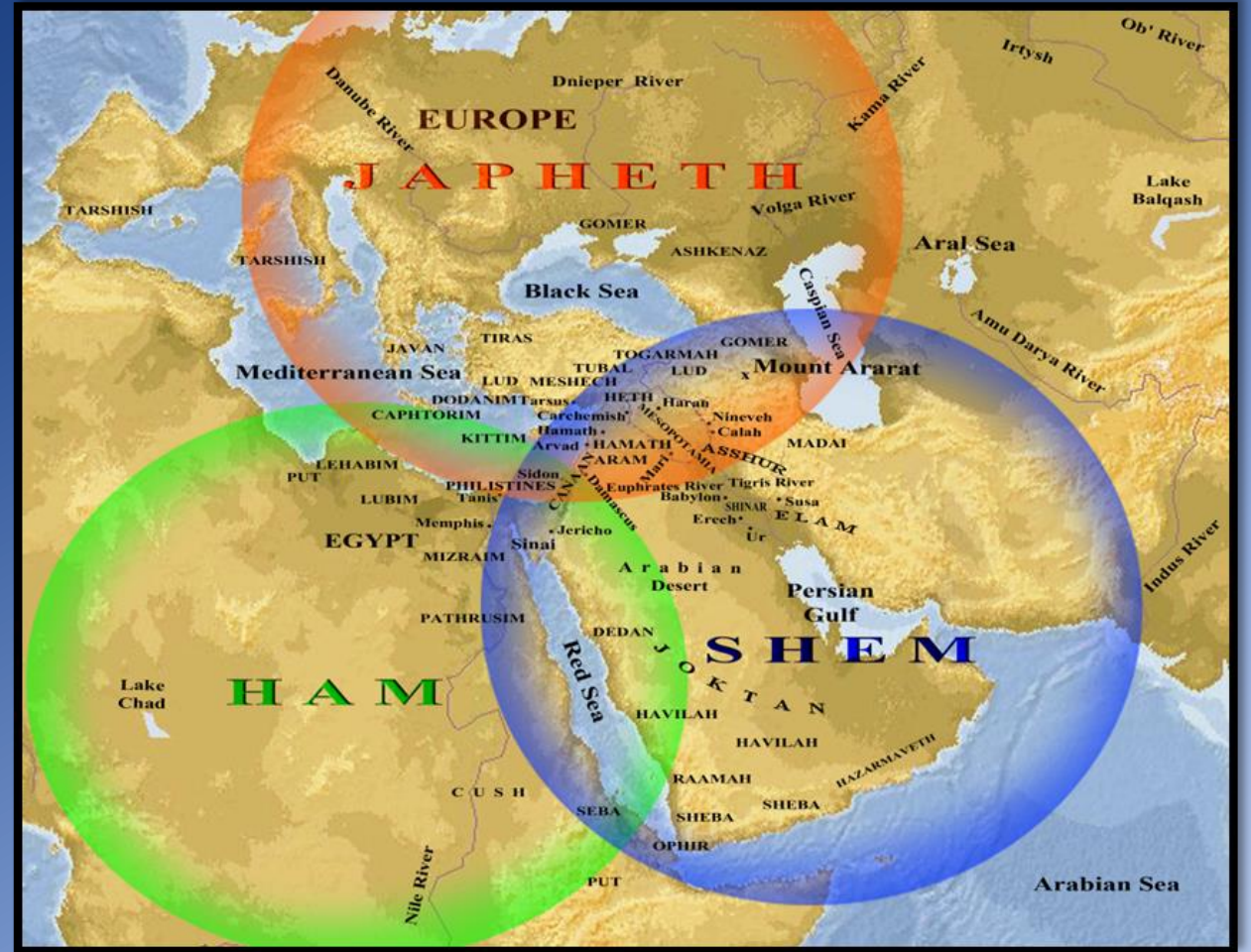
- Jews believe that anyone, Jew or Gentile, may gain salvation through commitment to the one true God and through moral living.
- Christians counter that man is saved through faith in the atoning death of Christ on the cross (see Rom. 3:24; Eph. 2:8-9). [\*]
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# Genesis 10:21

21 Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were children born. [\*]



## John 4:25

25The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." 26Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

## Matthew 16:16

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

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## Matthew 26:63-64

63 But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest said to Him, "I adjure You by the living God, that You tell us whether You are the Christ, the Son of God." 64 Jesus said to him, "You have said it yourself; nevertheless I tell you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."

## John 8:28

28 So Jesus said, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and I do nothing on My own initiative, but I speak these things as the Father taught Me.

[\*]

## Micah 5:1-3

1 "Now muster yourselves in troops, daughter of troops; They have laid siege against us; With a rod they will smite the judge of Israel on the cheek. 2 "But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity." 3 Therefore He will give them up until the time When she who is in labor has borne a child. Then the remainder of His brethren will return to the sons of Israel.

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## Matthew 2:3-6

3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 Gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for this is what has been written by the prophet: 6 'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, Are by no means least among the leaders of Judah; For out of you shall come forth a Ruler who will shepherd My people Israel.'" [★]

## Matthew 1:23

23"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us." [\*]



## Matthew 25:4-5

4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold your King is coming to you, Gentle, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

[\*]

## John 1:10-12

10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came and those who were His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name... [\*]

## 1 Peter 2:24-25

24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. 25 For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls. [\*]

## Psalm 22: 14-18

14 I am poured out like water, And all my bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; It is melted within me. 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, And my tongue cleaves to my jaws; And You lay me in the dust of death. 16 For dogs have surrounded me; A band of evildoers has encompassed me; They pierced my hands and my feet. 17 I can count all my bones. They look, they stare at me; 18 They divide my garments among them, And for my clothing they cast lots. [\*]

## Matthew 27: 57-60

57 When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. 58 This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. 59 And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, 60 and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the entrance of the tomb and went away. [[\\*](#)]

## Luke 23:32-33

32 Two others also, who were criminals, were being led away to be put to death with Him. 33 When they came to the place called The Skull, there they crucified Him and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left.

[\*]

Psalm 16:10

10 For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol; Nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.

## Acts 2:27-28

27 Because You will not abandon my soul to Hades [*New Testament place of the dead*], Nor allow Your Holy One to undergo decay. 28 'You have made known to me the ways of life;... [\*]



## Deuteronomy 30:1-3

1 "So it shall be when all of these things have come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I have set before you, and you call them to mind in all nations where the Lord your God has banished you, 2 and you return to the Lord your God and obey Him with all your heart and soul according to all that I command you today, you and your sons, 3 then the Lord your God will restore you from captivity, and have compassion on you, and will gather you again from all the peoples where the Lord your God has scattered you.

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## Hosea 3:4-5

4 For the sons of Israel will remain for many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred pillar and without ephod or household idols. 5 Afterward the sons of Israel will return and seek the Lord their God and David their king; and they will come trembling to the Lord and to His goodness in the last days.

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## Joel 2:28-29

28 "It will come about after this That I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; And your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young men will see visions. 29 "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. Over---

Luke 21:24

24 and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. [\*]

## Matthew 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit...[\*]

## 2 Corinthians 13:14

14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

[\*]

Mark 10:45

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

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John 1:13-14

13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. Over---



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Romans 3:10, 23

10 as it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one;" ... 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

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## Romans 5:12

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned...[\*]

Romans 3:24

24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus...

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## Ephesians 2:8-9

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. [\*]

Isaiah 7:14

14 Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign:  
Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and  
she will call His name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:23

23“BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN WILL CONCEIVE AND GIVE BIRTH  
TO A SON, AND THEY SHALL NAME HIM IMMANUEL,” which  
translated means, “GOD WITH US.”[\*]

## Zechariah 9:9

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is just and endowed with salvation, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

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4 Now this took place so that what was spoken through the prophet would be fulfilled: 5 “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold your King is coming to you, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’ ”[\*]

Isaiah 49:7

## First Coming

7 Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and its Holy One, To the despised One, To the One abhorred by the nation,

## Second Coming

To the Servant of rulers, "Kings will see and arise, Princes will also bow down, Because of the Lord who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel who has chosen You." [\*]



## Isaiah 53:3

3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. [\*]

## Isaiah 53:7-9

7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living For the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke was due? 9 His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death [Joseph of Arimathea], Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth. [\*]

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## Matthew 27:33-35

33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Place of a Skull, 34 they gave Him wine to drink mixed with gall; and after tasting it, He was unwilling to drink. 35 And when they had crucified Him, they divided up His garments among themselves by casting lots.

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## Deuteronomy 6:4

4 <sup>1</sup>"Hear, O Israel! The Lord <sup>2</sup>*[Yahweh]* is our God  
*\*[Elohim-masculine plural noun]*, the Lord is one!" [<sup>\*</sup>]

<sup>1</sup>Warren Baker, *The Complete Word Study Old Testament: Word Study Series* (Chattanooga: AMG Publishers, 1994), 491.

<sup>2</sup>Warren Baker, Eugene Carpenter, *The Complete Word Study Dictionary Old Testament: Word Study Series* (Chattanooga: AMG Publishers, 2003), 426, 429.

## John 1:13-14

13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. The Word Made Flesh 14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. [\*]



## Genesis 12:1-3

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country, And from your relatives And from your father’s house, To the land which I will show you; 2 And I will make you into a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing; 3 And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.” [✱]

## Matthew 3:13-17

13 Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan, coming to John to be baptized by him. 14 But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have the need to be baptized by You, and yet You are coming to me?" 15 But Jesus, answering, said to him, "Allow it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. 16 After He was baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and settling on Him, 17 and behold, a voice from the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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## Matthew 28:19

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## 2 Corinthians 13:14

14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. [\*]

## John 7:52

50 Nicodemus, who had gone to Jesus earlier and who was one of their own number, asked, 51 “Does our law condemn a man without first hearing him to find out what he has been doing?” 52 They replied, “Are you from Galilee, too? Look into it, and you will find that a prophet does not come out of Galilee.” [\*]

## Daniel 9:25

24 “Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place. 25 So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks [*total 69 weeks of years-483 years*] ---

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After 62 weeks, the Messiah would come thus ending the 69 weeks: 7 weeks + 62 weeks = 69 weeks.

“Sir Robert Anderson in his book, *The Coming Prince*, has worked out the time schedule. From the first of the month Nisan [445 BC] to the tenth of Nisan [*ni-san* or *ne-san*] (April 6) A.D. 32, is 173,880 days. Dividing them according to the Jewish year of 360 days, he arrives at 483 years (69 sevens). On this day Jesus rode into Jerusalem, offering Himself for the first time, publicly and officially, as the Messiah.” McGee. [\*]

Psalm 22:1; 15-16; 17-18

1 My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, And my tongue cleaves to my jaws; And You lay me in the dust of death. 16 For dogs have surrounded me; A band of evildoers has encompassed me; They pierced my hands and my feet. 17 I can count all my bones. They look, they stare at me; 18 They divide my garments among them, And for my clothing they cast lots. [\*]

## Daniel 9:25-26

25 “Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven ‘sevens,’ and sixty-two ‘sevens.’ It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. 26 After the sixty-two ‘sevens,’ the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing. The people of the ruler [Antichrist] who will come [at a later time] will destroy the city and the sanctuary (70 AD).

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## Matthew 24:1-2

1 Jesus came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him. 2 And He said to them, “Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down.” [\*]

- Matthew 11:29-30

29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” [\*]

## Hebrews 4:4-11

4 For somewhere he has spoken about the seventh day in these words: “On the seventh day God rested from all his works.” 5 And again in the passage above he says, “They shall never enter my rest.” 6 Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience, 7 God again set a certain day, calling it “Today.” This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted: “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” Over---

8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. 9 There remains, then, a **Sabbath-rest** for the people of God; 10 for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his. 11 Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience. [\*]