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BLESS THE LORD, WHO IS TO BE BLESSED

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BARUCH ADONAI HA'ME'VO-RAKH LA OLAM VA'ED

BLESSED IS ADONAI, WHO IS BLESSED FOREVER AND EVER

יום כפור

Yom Kippur

“The Day of Atonement”

Vaiyikra | Leviticus 16:1-34

Reading: Leviticus 16:31-34

Leviticus 16:29-30

29 “This is to be a lasting ordinance for you: On the tenth day of the seventh month you must deny yourselves and not do any work—whether native-born or an immigrant residing among you—

30 because on this day atonement will be made for you, to cleanse you. Then, before the Lord, you will be clean from all your sins.

Leviticus 16:31-34

31 It is a Sabbath of solemn rest to you, and you shall afflict yourselves; it is a statute forever.

32 And the priest who is anointed and consecrated as priest in his father's place shall make atonement, wearing the holy linen garments.

Leviticus 16:31-34

33 He shall make atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make atonement for the tent of meeting and for the altar, and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.

34 And this shall be a statute forever for you, that atonement may be made for the people of Israel once in the year because of all their sins.” And Aaron did as Yah commanded Moses.



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Yom Teruah
a day of sounding, alerting, reminding

The Sounding, The Alert, The Warning

- Joel 2:1

- A trumpet sound will precede the Day of the Lord
– King Yeshua

- 1 Corinthians 15:52

- The “last trumpet” will accompany the resurrection of the dead

- Revelation 11:15

- Last Trumpet - “the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Messiah, and he shall reign forever and ever”

More on the Sound - Alert

- Zechariah 9:9–14 and Isaiah 27:12–13
 - Shofar = Israel's salvation
 - = the ingathering of the exiles
 - = the coming of her King

The Warning –

1 Thessalonians 5 - Thief in the Night

For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief.

How can you avoid
destruction?

Listen to the warning,
Repent, the kingdom is drawing near!

How are Yom Teruah, the day of
repentance and Yom Kippur
connected?

2 Chronicles 7:14

The Lord's words to Solomon 2 Chronicles 7:14

if my people who are called by my name
humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and
turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear
from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal
their land.

Yom Kippur – What do we
receive, what do we do?

Yom Kippur – Leviticus 23

26 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 27 “Now on the tenth day of this seventh month is the Day of Atonement. It shall be for you a time of holy convocation, and you shall afflict yourselves and present a food offering to the Lord. 28 And you shall not do any work on that very day, for it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. 29 For whoever is not afflicted on that very day shall be cut off from his people.

Yom Kippur – Leviticus 23

30 And whoever does any work on that very day, that person I will destroy from among his people. 31 You shall not do any work. It is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwelling places. 32 It shall be to you a Sabbath of solemn rest, and you shall afflict yourselves. On the ninth day of the month beginning at evening, from evening to evening shall you keep your Sabbath.”

What do we receive on Yom Kippur?

Atonement for our sins!

- *Leviticus 16:30 - for it is on this day that atonement shall be made for you to cleanse you; you will be clean from all your sins before Yah.*
- *1 John 5:2 - If anybody sins, we have an advocate with the Father—Messiah Yeshua, the Righteous One. 2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.*

What does atonement for our sins mean?

- ✓ Reconciliation with the Lord
- ✓ Forgiveness of sins

Reconciled through the Messiah's Atoning Sacrifice

Romans 5 - 6 At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Messiah died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Messiah died for us.

Reconciled through the Messiah's Atoning Sacrifice

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, **we were reconciled** to him through the death of his Son, how much more, **having been reconciled**, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Messiah Yeshua, through whom we have now **received reconciliation**.

Reconciled through the Messiah's Atoning Sacrifice

Romans 3 - for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Messiah Yeshua. 25 God presented Yeshua as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood...

What The Lord Asks Us To Do

- ✓ Have a holy assembly
- ✓ Rest – keep it as a sabbath
- ? Afflict (*or humble*) ourselves

What does it mean to
“afflict” ourselves?

Tradition



Traditional View - Fasting

- Rabbinical interpretation - Deuteronomy 8:3

“You shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. 3 And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord”

Fasting and Affliction – Isaiah 58:3

‘Why have we fasted, and you see it not?

Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take
no knowledge of it?’

Fasting and Affliction – Isaiah 58:5

“Is it a fast like this that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself?”

Fasting and Affliction – Psalm 35:13

"I humbled my soul with fasting,

But my prayer kept returning to me."

The Spiritual Aspect of Affliction

Affliction

- עָנָה (a-nah)

- › To degrade *oneself*
- › To humble oneself
- › To oppress oneself
- › To deny oneself

Exodus 1:7-10

The Israelites were exceedingly fruitful; they multiplied greatly, increased in numbers and became so numerous that the land was filled with them.

8 Then a new king, who didn't know Joseph, came to power in Egypt. 9 "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become far too numerous for us. 10 Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country."

Exodus 1:11

11 So they put slave masters over them to oppress [a-nah] them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh.

Israelite Affliction

- Powerless
- No control
- **Under whose total authority?**
- **What was their response to this affliction?**



Humbling ourselves...to God

- Powerless
- Cry out
- Confess our sins
- Under his total authority
- One & Only Master



Paul in Humility – 2 Corinthians 12

In order to keep me from becoming conceited [*to keep me humble*], I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. 8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. 9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”

Paul in Humility – 2 Corinthians 12

Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that the power of Messiah may rest on me. 10 That is why, for Messiah's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

How much are we lowering
ourselves, and giving all our
heart, soul, and might to God?

Giving ourselves - Romans 12:1 – 2

1 I urge you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice—holy, acceptable to God—which is your spiritual service.

True Humility is
Self-Sacrifice

Yeshua's Message

Then Yeshua said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

Yeshua as the model – Philippians 2

Yeshua, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

7 rather, he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature of a slave,
being made in human likeness.

8 And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

Sin and Confession

Aaron's Confession – Leviticus 16:21

“Aaron shall lay both of his hands on the head of the live goat, and confess over it all the iniquities [avon] of the sons of Israel and all their transgressions [pesha] and all their sins [chattah]; and he shall place them on the head of the goat and send it away into the wilderness...

Are you committing these?

- Iniquity (avon – עֲוֹן) - “Distorting what is good”
- Sin (chattah – חַטָּאת) - “sinning, missing the mark”
- Transgression (Pesha – פְּשָׁע) - “unfaithfulness, betrayal, lack of trust”

Separated From YHWH

Isaiah 59

1 Behold, Yah's hand is not too short to save, nor His ear too dull to hear.

2 Rather, your iniquities have made a separation between you and your Elohim. Your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He does not hear.

3 For your hands are defiled with blood and your fingers with iniquity. Your lips have spoken lies, your tongue mutters wickedness.

What should you do on the day of Atonement?

- Repent – turn around – Teshuvah
 - ✓ identify your wrongs
 - ✓ Turn around completely
 - ✓ Confess
 - ✓ Give your all to God

Today is the day to Confess – 1 John 1:7-10

but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Yeshua His Son cleanses us from all sin.

If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous, so that He will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Will you confess and repent of
your sins, iniquities, and
transgressions today?

Do you want your sins
forgiven and atoned for
today?

Joel 2:12-13

Therefore also now, says Yahweh, return to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rip apart your heart, and not your garments, and turn to Yahweh your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in love, he relents from sending calamity.



Tekiah Gadloah

Time for prayer, confession,
humbling yourself under
Yah's total authority

KOL NIDREI ALL VOWS

All vows, and prohibitions, and oaths, and
consecrations, and konams and konasi and synonymous
terms,

that we may vow, or swear, or consecrate, or prohibit
upon ourselves,

from the previous Day of Atonement until this Day of
Atonement

and from this Day of Atonement until the Day of
Atonement that will come for our benefit

KOL NIDREI ALL VOWS

Regarding all of them, we repudiate them.

All of them are undone, abandoned, cancelled, null and void, not in force, and not in effect.

Our vows are no longer vows, and our prohibitions are no longer prohibitions, and our oaths are no longer oaths.

KOL NIDREI ALL VOWS

MESSIANIC ERA

Leader

All personal vows we are forced to make against You, O LORD, all oaths and pledges we are forced to make between this Yom Kippur and the next Yom Kippur, we publicly renounce. Let them all be relinquished and abandoned, null and void, neither firm nor established. Let our vows, pledges, and oaths be considered neither vows, nor pledges, nor oaths.

Congregation

In times of distress and persecution, our people have prayed a prayer that God might forgive those oaths and pledges that would be made under duress during the coming year.

KOL NIDREI ALL VOWS

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We in Yeshua have been taught to let our Yes be Yes and our No be No. His power is in us, as the Scriptures teach us; there is no test given us that we cannot face victoriously. We will find the grace given us by Yeshua is sufficient that we may endure all difficulties and overcome them.

Congregation

So we pray: May we know the power in Yeshua that we will not deny our God and His Messiah, that we may be truthful and fulfill all the words of our mouths.

KOL NIDREI ALL VOWS MESSIANIC ERA

Leader

May we speak truthfully, not rashly. May we even be true to the confession of our faith, from this Yom Kippur to the next and all the days of our lives.

All

In Yeshua's name, Amen.

VIDUI ASHAMNU

Our ELOHIM, God of our mothers and fathers, grant that our prayers may reach You.

Do not be deaf to our pleas, for we are not so arrogant and stiff-necked as to say before You, our ELOHIM and God of all ages, we are perfect and have not sinned; rather do we confess:

we have gone astray, we have sinned, we have transgressed. We abuse, we betray, we are cruel, we destroy, We embitter, we falsify, we gossip, we hate, We insult, we jeer, we kill, we lie, we mock,

VIDUI ASHAMNU

We neglect, we oppress, we pervert, we quarrel,
We rebel, we steal, we transgress, we are unkind,
We are violent, we are wicked, we are extremists,
We yearn to do evil, we are zealous for bad causes.
For all of these sins, O God of mercy, forgive us, pardon
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Confession

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Avinu Malkeinu

Our Father, our King, we have sinned before You.

Our Father, our King, we have no King but You.

Our Father, our King, act benevolently with us for the sake of Your Name.

Our Father, our King, renew for us a good year.

Our Father, our King, a good year.

Our Father, our King, remove from us all harsh decrees.

Our Father, our King, annul the intentions of our enemies.

Our Father, our King, foil the plans of our foes.

Our Father, our King, wipe out every oppressor and adversary from against us.

Avinu Malkeinu

Our Father, our King, close the mouths of our adversaries and accusers.

Our Father, our King, remove pestilence, sword, famine, captivity, and destruction from the members of Your covenant.

Our Father, our King, withhold the plague from Your inheritance.

Our Father, our King, pardon and forgive all our iniquities.

Our Father, our King, blot out and remove our transgressions from before Your eyes.

Our Father, our King, erase in Your abounding mercies all the records of our debts [sins].

Our Father, our King, bring us back to You in wholehearted repentance.

Avinu Malkeinu

Our Father, our King, send a complete healing to the sick of Your people.

Our Father, our King, rend the evil [aspect] of the verdict decreed against us.

Our Father, our King, remember us with a favorable remembrance before You.

Our Father, our King, inscribe us in the book of good life.

Our Father, our King, inscribe us in the book of redemption and deliverance.

Our Father, our King, inscribe us in the book of livelihood and sustenance.

Our Father, our King, inscribe us in the book of merits.

Our Father, our King, inscribe us in the book of pardon and forgiveness.