

Teachings of ישוע המשיח *Yeshua HaMeshiach...*

In last week's study Yeshua taught us to pray, then He taught us to do "Alms giving/Tzedakah" in private for only **YHWH** to see and not men, He said don't let your right hand know what your left hand is doing. And if we did it for the praise of men that we already had our reward. Do righteousness from the inside and for your Father only. Now tonight the portion we are about to study "**Fasting in secret,**" **Treasures in Heaven**" and "**Seek first the Kingdom**" all seem to fall into suit with the "beatitudes" and the prayer that He taught us...

Mat 5:2-12 *And He opened His mouth and was teaching them and said, "Blessed are they who are poor in spirit, because theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are they who are mourning, because they will be comforted. **Blessed are they who are meek because they will inherit the land.** Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness because they will be satisfied. Blessed are they who are merciful because mercies will be upon them. Blessed are they who are pure in their hearts because they will see Elohim. Bless are they who make peace because they will be called the sons of Elohim. Blessed are they who are persecuted because of righteousness because theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you whenever they curse you and they persecute you and they say every evil word about you falsely because of me. Then rejoice and be glad because your reward in Heaven is great for likewise they persecuted the prophets who were before you."*

Mat 6:9-13 *"Therefore, you pray like this: Our Father who is in Heaven. Holy is your Name. Your Kingdom Come. Your will be done. As in Heaven so on earth. Give us the bread of our need this day. And forgive us our offenses as we also have forgiven those who have offended us. And not bring us into trial, but deliver us from the evil one, for Yours is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever and ever"*

8. Fasting in Secret – **Mat 6:16-18**

Mat 6:16-18 *And when you fast, you should not be sad like the hypocrites for they disfigure their expression so that they may be seen by men that they are fasting. And truly I say to you that they have received their reward. But whenever you fast, wash your face and anoint your head. So that you will not be seen by men that you are fasting, but by your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret, He will reward you.*

The only day commanded to fast, Yom Kippur...

Lev 16:29-31 *"It is to be a permanent regulation for you that on the tenth day of the seventh month you are to **deny yourselves T'anah תענה** and not do any kind of work, both the citizen and the foreigner living with you. For on this day, atonement will be made for you to purify you; you will be clean before **YHWH** from all your sins. It is a Shabbat of complete rest for you, and you are to **deny yourselves T'anah תענה**. "This is a permanent regulation.*

Lev 23:26-32 ***YHWH** said to Moshe, "The tenth day of this seventh month is Yom-Kippur; you are to have a holy convocation, you are to **deny yourselves T'anah תענה**, and you are to bring an offering made by fire to **YHWH**. You are not to do any kind of work on that day, because it is Yom-Kippur, to make atonement for you before **YHWH** your Elohim. Anyone who does not deny himself on that day is to be cut off from his people; and anyone who does any kind of work on that day, I will destroy from among his people. You are not to do any kind of work; it is a permanent regulation through all your generations, no matter where you live. It will be for you a Shabbat of complete rest, and you are to **deny yourselves T'anah תענה**; you are to rest on your Shabbat from evening the ninth day of the month until the following evening."*

“T’anah” comes from the base word “Anah” Strong’s H6031

ענה *aw-naw'*

A primitive root (possibly rather identical with H6030 through the idea of looking down or browbeating); to depress literally or figuratively, transitively or intransitively (in various applications). (sing is by mistake for H6030.): - abase self, afflict (-ion, self), answer [by mistake for H6030], chasten self, deal hardly with, defile, exercise, force, gentleness, humble (self), hurt, ravish, sing [by mistake for H6030], speak [by mistake for H6030], submit self, weaken, X in any wise.

Another form of “Anah” is found in the Psalms, “Humble or Meek”

***Psa 37:11** But the meek **וענוים** will inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace.*

This is what Yeshua quoted in **Matt 5** when He said... *“Blessed are they who are meek because they will inherit the land.”*

Yeshua and David were both referencing “Ha Eretz” The Land of Israel. Inheriting the Land and being Humble or meek (Anah) are linked, Yom Kippur, a day of NATIONAL atonement for Israel is judged on this day. After Yeshua descended, Israel no longer was redeemed on Yom Kippur and lost the Land.

***Zec 7:5-13** "Speak to all the people of the land and to the cohanim. Tell them, 'When you fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh months (**Zech 8:18-19**) throughout these seventy years, were you really fasting for me? Was it for me? Rather, when you eat and drink, it's just to please yourselves, isn't it? Isn't this just what **YHWH** proclaimed through the earlier prophets, when Yerushalayim was inhabited and prosperous, as were the cities around her; and the Negev and the Sh'felah were inhabited?' " Then this message from **YHWH** came to Z'kharyah: "In the past **YHWH** -Tzva'ot said, 'Administer true justice. Let everyone show mercy and compassion to his brother. Don't oppress widows, orphans, foreigners or poor people. Don't plot evil against each other.' But they wouldn't listen, they stubbornly turned their shoulder away and stopped up their ears, so that they wouldn't have to hear it. Yes, they made their hearts as hard as a diamond, so that they wouldn't hear the Torah and the messages that **YHWH**-Tzva'ot had sent by his Spirit through the earlier prophets {Israel previously Lost the Land}. This is why great anger came from **YHWH**-Tzva'ot; and it came about that just as they hadn't listened when he called, so **YHWH**-Tzva'ot said, 'I won't listen when they call;*

The right fast... This all goes back to what Yeshua taught us in **Matt 5**

***Isa 58:3-12** [asking,] 'Why should we fast, if you don't see? Why mortify ourselves, if you don't notice?' "Here is my answer: when you fast, you go about doing whatever you like, while keeping your laborers hard at work. Your fasts lead to quarreling and fighting, to lashing out with violent blows. On a day like today, fasting like yours will not make your voice heard on high. "Is this the sort of fast I want, a day when a person mortifies himself? Is the object to hang your head like a reed and spread sackcloth and ashes under yourself? Is this what you call a fast, a day that pleases **YHWH**? "Here is the sort of fast I want — releasing those unjustly bound, untying the thongs of the yoke, letting the oppressed go free, breaking every yoke,¹ sharing your food with the hungry, taking the homeless poor into your house, clothing the naked when you see them, fulfilling your duty to your kinsmen!²" Then your light will burst forth like the morning³, your new skin will quickly grow over your wound; your righteousness will precede you, and **YHWH**'s glory will follow you. Then you will call, and **YHWH** will answer; you will cry, and he will say, "Here I am." If you will remove the yoke from among you, stop false accusation and slander, generously offer food to the hungry and meet the needs of the person in trouble; then your light will rise in the darkness, and your gloom become like noon. **YHWH** will always guide you; he will satisfy your needs in the desert, he will renew the strength in your limbs; so that you will be like a watered garden, like a spring whose water never fails. You will rebuild the*

ancient ruins, raise foundations from ages past, and be called "Repairer of broken walls, Restorer of streets to live in."⁴

1. Isn't this exactly what Yeshua did? Untied those bound by poor halachaic interpretations (**Mat 23:13**)? He came against all of them then told them the correct halacha opening the doors to the Kingdom (**Mat 5:21-48**)
2. Isn't this what Yeshua commanded us to do? Love your neighbor and your enemy within B'nai Israel **Mat 5:44-48**
3. Didn't Yeshua call us to be the light to the world? **Mat 5:14** *"You are light for the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."* (Works of Light/Torah rebuild the city of Jerusalem!)
4. Rebuilding Jerusalem is a part of the "Brit Chadasha" **Jer 31:38-40 (37-39)**. Also Yeshua laid the ground work for the "Brit Chadasha" when He gave a heart applicable Halacha.

Even a wicked King can gain from fasting...

1Ki 21:23-29 **YHWH** also said this about Izevel: *'The dogs will eat Izevel by the wall around Yizre`el. If someone from the line of Ach'av dies in the city, the dogs will eat him; if he dies in the countryside, the vultures will eat him.'* Truly, there was never anyone like Ach'av. Stirred up by his wife Izevel, he gave himself over to do what is evil from **YHWH's** perspective. His behavior in following idols was grossly abominable; he did everything the Emori had done, whom **YHWH** expelled ahead of the people of Isra'el. Ach'av, on hearing these words, tore his clothes, put sackcloth on himself and fasted. He slept in the sackcloth and went about dejectedly. Then the word of **YHWH** came to Eliyahu from Tishbe: *"Do you see how Ach'av has humbled himself before me? Since he has humbled himself before me, I will not bring this evil during his lifetime; but during his son's lifetime I will bring the evil on his house."*

Have your heart right...

1Sa 13:14 *But as it is, your (Saul's) kingship will not be established. YHWH has sought for himself a man (David) after his own heart, and YHWH has appointed him to be prince over his people, because you did not observe what YHWH ordered you to do."*

And do it for the Master...

Col 3:22-24 *Slaves, obey your human masters in everything, not serving only when they are watching you, to win their favor, but single-heartedly, fearing the Master. Whatever work you do, put yourself into it, as those who are serving not merely other people, but the Master. Remember that as your reward, you will receive the inheritance from the Lord. You are slaving for the Master, for the Messiah.*

- Yeshua said *"But whenever you fast, wash your face and anoint your head"*

Yeshua was pulling from scripture...

Ecc 9:8 *Let your clothing always be white, and never fail to perfume your head.*

Similar to the Cohen Hagadol...

Lev 21:10 *"The cohen who is ranked highest among his brothers, the one on whose head the anointing oil is poured and who is consecrated to put on the garments, is not to stop grooming his hair, tear his clothes,*

In other words don't defile yourself in order to look rough while fasting!

9. Treasure in Heaven – Mat 6:19-24 (similar to Luke 12:33-34)

Mat 6:19-24 *You should not place for yourself treasure on earth where the moth and rust corrupt and where the thieves break in and steal. But place your treasure in heaven where neither the moth nor the rust corrupt and where the thieves do not break in and they do not steal. For where your treasure is, that there is also where your heart is. The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eye, therefore, should be pure, also all your body is full of light. But if your eye should be evil, all your body will be darkness. If therefore, the light that is in you is dark, how much your darkness will be! No man is able to serve two masters, for either he will hate one and love the other, or he will honor one and treat the other with contempt. You are not able to serve Elohim and money.*

- *“You should not place for yourself treasure on earth where the moth and rust corrupt and where the thieves break in and steal”*

This points back to Yeshua’s prayer... *“Our Father in Heaven”* and *“May your Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven”* Set your eyes on non earthly things and he will provide what we need on earth, focus on the Kingdom not things of the flesh. Also when He said *“The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eye, therefore, should be pure, also all your body is full of light.”* Doesn’t that go back to the “Beatitudes” *“You are light for the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.”* *We are to be* the light or fruit of the Kingdom?!

This should strike a note with many “Messianic’s” and “Conservatives” who are storing up food, water, guns, ammo, and yes even toilet paper for themselves to survive the “apocalypse”. Such hording is out of selfish ambition and fear. Unless the Father tells you to stockpile (Like Joseph in Egypt **Gen 41:35**), don’t! Let’s look at this historically, did anyone in the Bible “survive” because they stockpiled food and water? No! To the contrary, it has always been of the Fathers provisions only...

- Did only the “stockpilers” survive the Exodus from Egypt? NO! In fact just the opposite! **Num 11:32**
- Did Elijah survive the drought because he stockpiled food? NO! **1Ki 17:1-16**
- Will it take stockpiling survive the tribulation? NO! **Rev 13:5-10** Rather perseverance and trust.

Num 11:32 *The people stayed up all that day, all night and all the next day gathering the quails — the person gathering the least collected ten heaps; then they spread them out for themselves all around the camp. But while the meat was still in their mouth, before they had chewed it up, the anger of YHWH flared up against the people, and YHWH struck the people with a terrible plague. Therefore that place was named Kivrot-HaTa'avah [graves of greed], because there they buried the people who were so greedy.*

Rev 13:5-10 *It was given a mouth speaking arrogant blasphemies; and it was given authority to act for forty-two months. So it opened its mouth in blasphemies against Elohim to insult his name and his Sh'khinah, and those living in heaven; it was allowed to make war on Elohim's holy people and to defeat them; and it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation. Everyone living on earth will worship it except those whose names are written in the Book of Life belonging to the Lamb slaughtered before the world was founded. Those who have ears, let them hear! "If anyone is meant for captivity, into captivity he goes! If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword he is to be killed!" This is when Elohim's holy people must persevere and trust!*

Pro 11:4 *On the day of wrath, wealth doesn't help; but righteousness rescues from death.*

Rev 3:14-17 "To the angel of the Assembly in Laodicea, write: 'Here is the message from the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the Ruler of Elohim's creation: "I know what you are doing: you are neither cold nor hot. How I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm, neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of my mouth! For you keep saying, 'I am rich, I have gotten rich, I don't need a thing!' You don't know that you are the one who is wretched, pitiable, poor, blind and naked!"

Psa 39:6 Humans go about like shadows; their turmoil is all for nothing. They accumulate wealth, not knowing who will enjoy its benefits.

Pro 16:16 How much better than gold it is to gain wisdom! Yes, rather than money, choose to gain understanding.

The wicked collecting wealth for the good...

Ecc 2:26 For to the man who is good from [Elohim's] viewpoint he gives wisdom, knowledge and joy; but to the sinner he gives the task of collecting and accumulating things to leave to him who is good from Elohim's viewpoint. This too is pointless and feeding on wind. [This is why the Israelites were given Riches from Egypt **Exo 12:35-36** & Laven's wealth went to Jacob]

Ecc 5:10-20 (5:9-19) The lover of money never has enough money; the lover of luxury never has enough income. This too is pointless. When the quantity of goods increases, so does the number of parasites consuming them; so the only advantage to the owner is that he gets to watch them do it. The sleep of a working man is sweet, whether he eats little or much; but the over fullness of the rich won't let them sleep at all. Here is a gross evil which I have seen under the sun: the owner of wealth hoards it to his own hurt. Due to some misfortune, the wealth turns to loss; and then if he has fathered a son, he has nothing to leave him. Just as he came from his mother's womb, so he will go back naked as he came, and for his efforts he will take nothing that he can carry away in his hand. This too is a gross evil, that in every respect as he came, so will he go; thus what profit does he have after toiling to earn the wind? All his life he eats in darkness, in frustration, in sickness and in anger. This is what I have seen to be good: that it is appropriate for a person to eat, drink and enjoy the good that results from all his work that he engages in under the sun for all the days of his life that Elohim has given him, for this is his allotted portion. Also, everyone to whom Elohim has given riches and wealth, along with the power to enjoy it, so that he takes his allotted portion and finds pleasure in his work — this is a gift of Elohim; for he will not brood over the fact that his life is short, since Elohim keeps him occupied with what will bring him joy.

Psa 37:18-19 YHWH knows what the wholehearted suffer, but their inheritance lasts forever. They will not be distressed when times are hard; when famine comes, they will have plenty.

This is why Yeshua said...

Mat 19:23-24 Then Yeshua said to his talmidim, "Yes. I tell you that it will be very hard for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Furthermore, I tell you that it is easier for a rope* to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Elohim."

*Greek scholars mistook the Hebrew/Aramaic word **GaMaLA**, or Gimmel-Mem-Lamed-Aleph **גמלא** As "camel" rather than "Heavy Rope". It makes no sense as well as it being a physical impossibility that a camel (**GaMaL גמל**) can pass through the eye of a needle. The rope illustrates a lesson that the

rich man cannot enter the Kingdom of Elohim until he “unravels” his fortune strand by strand as Yeshua instructs. If his wealth was bound tightly and strong like a rope, it is to be unwound like threads which will pass through the eye of a needle! Careful attention is required to thread a needle; so are the rich obligated unto **YHWH** for how their wealth is acquired and dispersed. ~ *Andrew Roth AENT pg56 ft. nt. 183*

Doesn't this go back to Yeshua's prayer? *“Give us today the bread we need”* pulling from the proverbs...

***Pro 30:8-9** keep falsehood and futility far from me, and give me neither poverty nor wealth. Yes, provide just the food I need today; for if I have too much, I might deny you and say, "Who is **YHWH**?" And if I am poor, I might steal and thus profane the name of my Elohim.*

- Yeshua said *“For where your treasure is, that there is also where your heart is”*

***Col 3:1** So if you were raised along with the Messiah, then seek the things above, where the Messiah is sitting at the right hand of Elohim. Focus your minds on the things above, not on things here on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with the Messiah in Elohim. When the Messiah, who is our life, appears, then you too will appear with him in glory!*

- Yeshua said *“No man is able to serve two masters, for either he will hate one and love the other, or he will honor one and treat the other with contempt. You are not able to serve Elohim and money.”*

No man can serve two masters because it will keep him/her out of the Kingdom. This has been an ongoing problem with us, we want to follow the world (it's easy) and all of its “gods”

***Jos 24:15** If it seems bad to you to serve **YHWH**, then choose today whom you are going to serve! Will it be the “gods” your ancestors served beyond the River? or the “gods” of the Emori, in whose land you are living? As for me and my household, we will serve **YHWH**!” **v22-23** Y'hoshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen **YHWH**, to serve him." They answered, "We are witnesses." "Now," Y'hoshua urged, "put away the foreign “gods” you have among you, and turn your hearts to **YHWH**, the Elohim of Isra'el."*

***1Sa 7:3-4** Sh'mu'el addressed all the people of Isra'el; he said: "If you are returning to **YHWH** with all your heart, then be done with the foreign “gods” and `ashtarot that you have with you, and direct your hearts to **YHWH**. If you will serve only him, he will rescue you from the power of the P'lishtim." So the people of Isra'el banished the ba`alim and the `ashtarot and served only **YHWH**.*

***1Ki 18:21** Eliyahu stepped forward before all the people and said, "How long are you going to jump back and forth between two positions? If **YHWH** is Elohim, follow him; but if it's Ba`al, follow him!" The people answered him not a word.*

We are not to serve Him in a way that we are familiar with, not with what's “customary” that is still serving two masters...

***2Ki 17:33-41** They both feared **YHWH** and served their own “gods” in the manner customary among the nations from which they had been taken away. To this day they continue to follow their former [pagan] customs. They do not fear **YHWH**. They do not follow the regulations, rulings, Torah or mitzvah*

which YHWH ordered the descendants of Ya`akov, to whom he gave the name Isra'el, with whom YHWH had made a covenant and charged them, "Do not fear other "gods" or bow down to them, serve them or sacrifice to them. On the contrary, you are to fear YHWH, who brought you out of the land of Egypt with great power and an outstretched arm. Worship him, and sacrifice to him. You are to observe forever the laws, rulings, Torah and mitzvah which he wrote for you. You are not to fear other "gods", and you are not to forget the covenant I made with you. No, you must not fear other "gods" but must fear YHWH your Elohim; then he will rescue you from the power of all your enemies." However, they didn't listen, but followed their old [pagan] practices. So these nations mixed fearing YHWH with serving their carved idols; likewise their children; and to this day, their descendants do the same as their ancestors did. (As we do to this day!)

***Jas 4:4** You unfaithful wives! Don't you know that loving the world is hating Elohim? Whoever chooses to be the world's friend makes himself Elohim's enemy!*

[Who was this book written to? The dispersed of Israel scattered amongst the nations, he is talking to us, the unfaithful bride.]

***1Jn 2:15-16** Do not love the world or the things of the world. If someone loves the world, then love for the Father is not in him; because all the things of the world — the desires of the old nature, the desires of the eyes, and the pretensions of life — are not from the Father but from the world.*

This pagan mixture of easter, christmass, lent, sunday observance etc... This is another master, this is not from Yeshua, but rather from the serpent...

***2Co 11:2-4** For I am jealous for you with Elohim's kind of jealousy; since I promised to present you as a pure virgin in marriage to your one husband, the Messiah; and I fear that somehow your minds may be seduced away from simple and pure devotion to the Messiah, just as Havah was deceived by the serpent and his craftiness. For if someone comes and tells you about some other Yeshua than the one we told you about, or if you receive a spirit different from the one you received or accept some so-called "good news" different from the Good News you already accepted, you bear with him well enough!*

The serpent of old is satan, Babylon, confusion...**Gen 3:13, Rev 12:9, & 20:2**

10. Do Not Be Anxious (seek first the kingdom) – **Mat 6:25-34 (similar to **Luke 12:22-32**)**

***Mat 6:25-34** Because of this I say to you, you should not be anxious about your next life, what you will eat and what you will drink and not about your body, what you should wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Behold the birds in the sky that they do not sow and they do not reap and they do not gather into storehouses. And your Father who is in heaven nourishes them. Are not you more than they? And who among you while anxious is able to add to his structure one cubit? And about clothing, why are you anxious? Consider the lilies of the wilderness, how they grow without toil and without spinning. But I say to you, not even Solomon in all his glory was clothed like one of these. And if to the grass of the field, that today is and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, Elohim like this clothes, will He not much more cloth oh you of little faith? Therefore, do not be anxious or say, what will we eat? Or what will we drink? Or what will we wear? For all these things, the peoples of the world require, and your Father who is in heaven also knows that you require*

all these things. But first seek the Kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you. Therefore, be not anxious about tomorrow for tomorrow is anxious for itself.

Sufficient for the day is it's evil.

- Yeshua said *"Because of this I say to you, you should not be anxious about your next life, what you will eat and what you will drink and not about your body, what you should wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?"*

Mat 10:9-14 *Don't take money in your belts, no gold, no silver, no copper; and for the trip don't take a pack, an extra shirt, shoes or a walking stick — a worker should be given what he needs. "When you come to a town or village, look for someone trustworthy and stay with him until you leave. When you enter someone's household, say, 'Shalom aleikhem!' If the home deserves it, let your shalom rest on it; if not, let your shalom return to you. But if the people of a house or town will not welcome you or listen to you, leave it and shake its dust from your feet!*

Psa 55:22 *Unload your burden on YHWH, and he will sustain you. He will never permit the righteous to be moved.*

Php 4:6 *Don't worry about anything; on the contrary, make your requests known to Elohim by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving.*

- *"Behold the birds in the sky that they do not sow and they do not reap and they do not gather into storehouses. And your Father who is in heaven nourishes them.*

Psa 147:9 *he gives food to the animals, even to the young ravens when they cry. (See also **Job 38:41; Psa 104:11-12, Psa 104:27-28; Psa 145:15-16**)*

Feeding the birds on the flesh of the kings that attack Israel... **Ezek 39:17 & Rev 19:21**

- Yeshua said *"Therefore, do not be anxious or say, what will we eat? Or what will we drink? Or what will we wear? For all these things, the peoples of the world require, and your Father who is in heaven also knows that you require all these things."*

Lev 25:20-22 *"If you ask, "If we aren't allowed to sow seed or harvest what our land produces, what are we going to eat the seventh year?" then I will order my blessing on you during the sixth year, so that the land brings forth enough produce for all three years. The eighth year you will sow seed, but eat the old, stored produce until the ninth year; that is, until the produce of the eighth year comes in, you will eat the old, stored food.*

Deut 29:5 *During the forty years that I led you through the desert, your clothes did not wear out, nor did the sandals on your feet.*

Yet we were anxious stockpiling meat, manna etc... **Exo 16:18-20 & Num 11:32**

Pro 3:9-10 *Honor YHWH with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your income. Then your granaries will be filled and your vats overflow with new wine.*

- Yeshua said *“But first seek the Kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you.”*

Seek the Kingdom first, this is specifically tied to building/rebuilding the Temple...

1Ki 3:11-14 Elohim said to him, "Because you have made this request instead of asking long life or riches for yourself, or your enemies' death, but rather asked for yourself understanding to discern justice; I am doing what you requested. I am giving you a wise and understanding heart, so that there has never been anyone like you, nor will there ever again be anyone like you. I am also giving you what you didn't ask for, riches and honor greater than that of any other king throughout your life. More than that, if you will live according to my ways, obeying my laws and mitzvot like your father David, I will give you a long life."

If we don't seek the Kingdom first...

Hag 1:2-11 "Here is what **YHWH**-Tzva'ot says: 'This people is saying that now isn't the time — the time hasn't yet arrived for **YHWH**'s house to be rebuilt.' " Then this word of **YHWH** came through Hagai the prophet: "So is now the time for you to be living in your own paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins? Therefore here is what **YHWH**-Tzva'ot says: 'Think about your life! You sow much but bring in little; you eat but aren't satisfied; you drink but never have enough; you clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; and he who works for a living earns wages that are put in a bag full of holes.' " "Here is what **YHWH**-Tzva'ot says: 'Think about your life! Go up into the hills, get wood, and rebuild the house. I will be pleased with that, and then I will be glorified,' says **YHWH**. 'You looked for much, but it came to little; and when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why?' asks **YHWH**-Tzva'ot. 'Because my house lies in ruins, while every one of you runs to take care of his own house. This is why the sky above you has withheld the dew, so that there is none, and the land withholds its yield. In fact, I called for a drought on the land and on the hills, on the grain, the wine and the olive oil, on what the ground brings up, on men, animals and on all that hands produce.' "

Rom 14:17-18 for the Kingdom of Elohim is not eating and drinking, but righteousness, shalom and joy in the Ruach HaKodesh. Anyone who serves the Messiah in this fashion both pleases Elohim and wins the approval of other people.

Act 14:22 strengthening the talmidim, encouraging them to remain true to the faith, and reminding them that it is through many hardships that we must enter the Kingdom of Elohim.

2Pet 1:11 Thus you will be generously supplied with everything you need to enter the eternal Kingdom of our Master and Deliverer, Yeshua the Messiah.

Psa 22:28 For the kingdom belongs to **YHWH**, and he rules the nations.

2Tmi 4:1-8 I solemnly charge you before Elohim and the Messiah Yeshua, who will judge the living and the dead when he appears and establishes his Kingdom: proclaim the Word! Be on hand with it whether the time seems right or not. Convict, censure and exhort with unfailing patience and with teaching. For the time is coming when people will not have patience for sound teaching, but will cater to their passions and gather around themselves teachers who say whatever their ears itch to hear. Yes, they will stop listening to the truth, but will turn aside to follow myths. But you, remain steady in every situation, endure suffering, do the work that a proclaimer of the Good News should, and do everything your service to Elohim requires. For as for me, I am already being poured out on the altar; yes, the time for my departure has arrived. I have fought the

good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. All that awaits me now is the crown of righteousness which the Lord, "the Righteous Judge," will award to me on that Day — and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for him to appear.

Rev 11:15 *The seventh angel sounded his shofar; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of **YHWH** and his Messiah, and he will rule forever and ever!*

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