

TEACHINGS OF ישוע המשיח YESHUA HAMESHIAH...

In the beginning of **Mathew** Chapter **8** is the end of the “sermon on the mount” today we will cover 3 of the 90+ topics Yeshua taught on, but lets start with some of His miracles in chapter 8...

Mat 8:1-4 *And when he descended the mountain, large crowds followed him. And behold a certain leper came and worshiped him and said, “If you my master desire, you are able to make me clean.” And Y’shua stretched out his hand and touched him and said, “I desire, be clean.” And in a moment his leprosy was cleansed. And Y’shua said to him, “Why look to telling a man, rather show yourself to the priests and offer the offering as Moshe commanded for their testimony.”*

After Yeshua heals the leper, He then instructs him to fulfill his obligations in the Torah listed in **Lev 13:2-14:32**, it was an eight day event!

Yeshua heals the centurion’s son with a word...

Matt 8:5-10 *And Y’shua entered Capurnakhum, a certain centurion approached him and was beseeching him, and he said, “My master, my boy is lying at home and is paralyzed and seriously in pain.” Y’shua said to him, “I will come and heal him.” The centurion answered, and said, “My master, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word, and my boy will be healed. For I am also a man that is under authority, and there are under my hand soldiers, and I say to this one “go” and he goes, and to the other “come” and he comes, and to my servant to do this and he does it.” And when Y’shua heard this, he was amazed and said to those that had come with him “As you have believed, it will be to you.” And his boy was healed in that moment.*

Casting out sickness and demons...

Mat 8:14-17 *And Y’shua came to the house of Shimon and saw his mother-in-law who was lying down and a fever had seized her. And he touched her and the fever left her, and she arose and was serving him. And when it became evening, they brought him many possessed and he cast out their demons by a Word, and all of those that were badly afflicted he healed them. So that might be fulfilled which was spoken through Yeshu’yahu the prophet who said, “He will take our sorrows and our illnesses he will bear.” (Isa 53:4)*

The wind and sea obey Him...

Mat 8:23-27 *And when Y’shua went up into a boat, his disciples went up with him. And behold a great tempest was in the sea so that the ship was covered by the waves. Now, Y’shua was asleep, and his disciples approached him, woke him, and said to him, “Deliver us our master. We are perishing!” Y’shua said to them “Oh you of little faith! Why are you fearful?” Then he got up and rebuked the wind and the seas, and there was a great calm. And the men were amazed and said, “Who is this that the winds and the sea obey him?”*

By Him the Demons die (**Rev 19:20**)...

Mat 8:28-33 *And when Y’shua came to the other side, to the place of Gadarenes, two very evil possessed ones met him who were coming out of the cemetery, so that no man was able to cross over by that way. And they*

cried out and said, "What do we have to do with each other Son of Elohim? Have you come here before the time to torment us?" And there was a distance from them a large herd of pigs that was feeding. And these demons were beseeching and said to him, "If you cast us out, allow us to go to the herd of pigs. Y'shua said to them "Go" and at once they went out and entered into the pigs, and that entire herd went straight over a cliff and fell into the sea, and they died in the sea.

The Authority of Yeshua

He performed these things because He has the authority to forgive sins...

Mat 9:2-6 Some people brought him a paralyzed man lying on a mattress. When Yeshua saw their trust, he said to the paralyzed man, "Courage, son! Your sins are forgiven." On seeing this, some of the Torah-teachers said among themselves, "This man is blaspheming!" Yeshua, knowing what they were thinking, said, "Why are you entertaining evil thoughts in your hearts? Tell me, which is easier to say — 'Your sins are forgiven' or 'Get up and walk'? But look! I will prove to you that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." He then said to the paralyzed man, "Get up, pick up your mattress, and go home!"

The Authority of **YHWH** and Yeshua are shared, this was prophesied in the Tanakh...

Isa 22:21-22 I will dress him in your robe, gird him with your sash of office, and invest him with your authority. He will be a father to the people living in Yerushalayim and to the house of Y'hudah. **I will place the key of David's house on his shoulder**; no one will shut what he opens; no one will open what he shuts.

Joh 5:27-30 Also he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Don't be surprised at this; because the time is coming when all who are in the grave will hear his voice and come out — those who have done good to a resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to a resurrection of judgment. I can't do a thing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgment is right; because I don't seek my own desire, but the desire of the one who sent me.

Mat 28:18 Yeshua came and talked with them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Yeshua's took authority from the religious leaders of the day and gave His Authority (**Rev 3:7**) to His followers...

Mat 23:13 "But woe to you hypocritical Torah-teachers and P'rushim! For you are shutting the Kingdom of Heaven in people's faces, neither entering yourselves nor allowing those who wish to enter to do so.

Luke 11:52-54 "Woe to you Torah experts! For you have taken away the key of knowledge! Not only did you yourselves not go in, you also have stopped those who were trying to enter!" As Yeshua left that place, the Torah-teachers and the P'rushim began to oppose him bitterly and to provoke him to express his views on all sorts of subjects, laying traps to catch him in something he might say.

Mat 16:18-19 I also tell you this: you are Kefa," [which means 'Rock,'] "and on this rock I will build my Community, and the gates of Sh'ol will not overcome it. **I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven.** Whatever you prohibit on earth will be prohibited in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven."

As followers of Yeshua through the Power of the Ruach HaKodesh we have this authority to expel Demons, to heal the sick, to raise the dead.

Mat 28:18-20 Yeshua came and talked with them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make people from all nations into talmidim, immersing them into the reality of the Father, the Son and the Ruach HaKodesh, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember! I will be with you always, yes, even until the end of the age."

Act 2:38-39 Kefa answered them, "Turn from sin, return to Elohim, and each of you be immersed on the authority of Yeshua the Messiah into forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Ruach HaKodesh! For the promise is for you, for your children, and for those far away — as many as יהוה our Elohim may call!"

18. Many Shall Come to Recline with Abraham – **Mat 8:11-12, Luke 13:28-29**

Mat 8:11-12 And I say to you that many will come from the East and from the West and will recline with Awraham, Yitz'chak, and Ya'akov in the Kingdom of Heaven, but the children of the kingdom will be cast into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

What Yeshua is referencing here is the "Wedding feast of the Lamb" in the Messianic Kingdom...

Rev 19:6-9 Then I heard what sounded like the roar of a huge crowd, like the sound of rushing waters, like loud peals of thunder, saying, "Halleluyah! יהוה, Elohim of heaven's armies, has begun his reign! "Let us rejoice and be glad! Let us give him the glory! For the time has come for the wedding of the Lamb, and his Bride has prepared herself —fine linen, bright and clean has been given her to wear." ("Fine linen" means the righteous deeds of Elohim's people.) The angel said to me, "Write: 'How blessed are those who have been invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb!' " Then he added, "These are Elohim's very words."

It has been taught that the "people or children" cast into the darkness was Israel and/or the Jewish people. This is false replacement theology! Let look at one of the MANY prophecies of the Messianic Kingdom...

Zec 8:20-23 "יהוה-Tzva'ot says, 'In the future, peoples and inhabitants of many cities will come; the inhabitants of one city will travel to another and say, "We must go to ask יהוה's favor and consult יהוה-Tzva'ot. I'll go too." Yes, many peoples and powerful nations will come to consult יהוה-Tzva'ot in Yerushalayim and to ask יהוה's favor.' יהוה-Tzva'ot says, 'When that time comes, ten men will take hold — speaking all the languages of the nations — will grab hold of the cloak of a Jew and say, "We want to go with you, because we have heard that Elohim is with you." ' ' "

So if, in the Messianic Kingdom Gentiles will grab a hold of Jew's Tzit Tzit, and say "We want to go with you, because we have heard that Elohim is with you." It cant be that Yeshua was referring to Israel or the Jewish people. What He was referring to was the religious leaders of the day...

Mat 21:43-46 Therefore, I tell you that the Kingdom of Elohim will be taken away from you and given to the kind of people that will produce its fruit!" [Whoever falls on this stone will be broken in pieces; but if it falls on him, he will be crushed to powder!"] As the head cohanim and the P'rushim listened to his stories, they saw that he was speaking about them. But when they set about to arrest him, they were afraid of the crowds; **because the crowds** (The People) **considered him a prophet.**

Those that choose religion over Messiah will be outside weeping and gnashing their teeth.

Mat 15:7-14 You hypocrites! Yesha`yahu was right when he prophesied about you, 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far away from me. Their worship of me is useless, because they teach man-made rules as if they were doctrines.' " Then he called the crowd to him and said, "Listen and understand this! What makes a person unclean is not what goes into his mouth; rather, what comes out of his mouth, that is what makes him unclean!" The talmidim came to him and said, "Do you know that the P'rushim were offended by what you said?" He replied, "Every plant that my Father in heaven has not planted will be pulled up by the roots. Let them be. They are blind guides. When a blind man guides another blind man, both will fall in a pit."

Isa 29:13 Then יהוה said: "Because these people approach me with empty words, and the honor they bestow on me is mere lip-service; while in fact they have distanced their hearts from me, and their 'fear of me' is just a mitzvah of human origin —

19. Son of Man...Nowhere to Lay His Head – **Mat 8:20, Luke 9:58**

Matt 8:18-21 And when Y'shua saw the many crowds that were surrounding him, he commanded that they depart to the other side. And a certain scribe approached him and said to him "Rabbi, I will follow after you to wherever you will go." Y'shua said to him, "The foxes they have holes and the birds of heaven nests, but the Son of man has nowhere he should lay his head

Luk 4:24 Yes!" he said, "I tell you that no prophet is accepted in his home town.

Mat 13:57 And they took offense at him. But Yeshua said to them, "The only place people don't respect a prophet is in his home town and in his own house."

We know that Yeshua's home is at the throne of Elohim in the Kingdom (**Psa 110:1, Heb 8:1, & Heb 12:2**) And all who followed him have no home because His Kingdom was yet to come...

Joh 18:36 Yeshua answered, My kingdom is not of this age: if my kingdom were of this age, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

But those who followed him have a home...

Rev 20:4 Then I saw thrones, and those seated on them received authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for testifying about Yeshua and proclaiming the Word of Elohim, also those who had not worshipped the beast or its image and had not received the mark on their foreheads and on their hands. They came to life and ruled with the Messiah for a thousand years.

In the Messianic Kingdom, Yeshua reigns from His home...

Ezek 37:27-28 My home will be with them; I will be their Elohim, and they will be my people. The nations will know that I am יהוה, who sets Isra'el apart as holy, when my sanctuary is with them forever.' "

19. Let the Dead Bury Their Own Dead – **Mat 8:22, Luke 9:60**

Mat 8:22 And another from his disciples said to him, "My master, allow me first to bury my father." But Y'shua said to him, "Come follow me and leave the dead to bury their dead."

Luke's rendition gives us more details...

Luk 9:59-62 To another he said, "Follow me!" but the man replied, "Sir, first let me go away and bury my father." Yeshua said, "Let the dead bury their own dead; you, go and proclaim the Kingdom of Elohim!" Yet another said, "I will follow you, sir, but first let me say good-bye to the people at home." To him Yeshua said, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and keeps looking back is fit to serve in the Kingdom of Elohim."

What Yeshua is asking of His followers is put **YHWH** first, just like Sh'mon Kefa and Andrew who dropped what they were doing when called (**Matt 4:20**). If you follow the commands, you put Yeshua ahead of the world...

Deut 6:4-6 "Sh'ma, Yisra'el! יהוה Eloheinu, יהוה echad [Hear, Isra'el! יהוה our Elohim, יהוה is one]; and you are to love יהוה your Elohim with all your heart, all your being and all your resources. These words, which I am ordering you today, are to be on your heart;

Looking back and following the world...

Gen 19:24-26 Then יהוה caused sulfur and fire to rain down upon S'dom and `Amora from יהוה out of the sky. He overthrew those cities, the entire plain, all the inhabitants of the cities and everything growing in the ground. But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a column of salt.

2Ti 4:10 For Demas, because he has fallen in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone off to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia; Titus has gone to Dalmatia —

Some feel they know why the mitzvah was commanded, and think that they are smarter than the commandment

1Ki 11:4 For when Shlomo became old, his wives turned his heart away toward other "gods"; so that he was not wholehearted with יהוה his Elohim, as David his father had been.

Some let religion and tradition get in the way of following Him wholeheartedly (**Jer 3:10**)...

Mar 7:8-13 "You depart from Elohim's command and hold onto human tradition. Indeed," he said to them, "you have made a fine art of departing from Elohim's command in order to keep your tradition! For Moshe said, 'Honor your father and your mother,' and 'Anyone who curses his father or mother must be put to death.' But you say, 'If someone says to his father or mother, "I have promised as a korban" ' (that is, as a gift to Elohim) " ' "what I might have used to help you," ' then you no longer let him do anything for his father or mother. Thus, with your tradition which you had handed down to you, you nullify the Word of Elohim! And you do other things like this."

Psa 37:18 יהוה knows what the wholehearted suffer, but their inheritance lasts forever

Heb 10:38-39 But the person who is righteous will live his life by trusting, and if he shrinks back, I will not be pleased with him." However, we are not the kind who shrink back and are destroyed; on the contrary, we keep trusting and thus preserve our lives!

His Tabernacle is also comprised of people who followed and gave whole heartedly...

Exo 25:1-2 יהוה said to Moshe, "Tell the people of Isra'el to take up a collection for me — accept a contribution from anyone who wholeheartedly wants to give.

It has been taught that when Yeshua said "let the dead bury the dead" that He is coming against the Torah command in **Exo 20:12** "honor your father and your mother so you will live long in the land" but if you understand Jewish burial procedures it makes sense...

An Interpretation Based on First-Century Jewish Burial Practices

After a body was placed in a burial cave, it was left to decompose. The family mourned for seven days. This initial mourning period (called **shivah**) was followed by a less intense 30-day period of mourning, called **shloshim**. However, the entire mourning period was not fully over until the flesh of the deceased had decomposed, usually about a year later. The Jerusalem Talmud states: When the flesh had wasted away, the bones were collected and placed in chests (ossuaries). *On that day (the son) mourned, but the following day he was glad, because his forebears rested from judgment (Moed Qatan 1:5).*

The final act of mourning, the gathering of the bones into a bone box called an ossuary, was called "ossilegium," or "secondary burial." It is this act, I believe, that is in view of the Messiah's response. [For a good discussion of secondary burials, see Meyers 1971; Rahmani 1981. On ossuaries, see Rahmani 1982b]. The disciples' request and Yeshua's response makes good sense in light of the Jewish custom of secondary burial. When the disciples requested time to bury their fathers they were actually asking for time to finish the rite of secondary burial. Their father had died, been placed in the family burial cave, and the sons had sat *shiv'ah* and most likely *shloshim*. They had requested anywhere from a few weeks to up to 11 months to finish the ritual of ossilegium before they returned to Jesus.

Yeshua's sharp answer also fits well with secondary burial. The fathers had been buried in the family burial caves and their bodies were slowly decomposing. In the tombs, along with the fathers, were other family members who had died, some awaiting secondary burial, others already placed in ossuaries. When Jesus stated: "Let the dead bury their own dead," He was referring to two different kinds of dead in the tomb: the bones of the deceased which had already been neatly placed in ossuaries and the fathers who had yet to be reburied. The phrase "own dead" indicates that the fathers were included among the dead.

Mat 10:37-38 Whoever loves his father or mother more than he loves me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than he loves me is not worthy of me. And anyone who does not take up his staff and follow me is not worthy of me.

Also note the similarities between the Levitical Cohanim and the Talmidim of Yeshua.

Lev 21:10-12 "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, go in to where any dead body is or make himself unclean, even when his father or mother dies. He may not leave the sanctuary then or profane the sanctuary of his Elohim, because the consecration of the anointing oil of his Elohim is on him; I am יהוה.

Matt 8:22 "Come follow me and leave the dead to bury their dead."

Both are supported by the people...

Deut 14:27 "But don't neglect the Levi staying with you, because he has no share or inheritance like yours."

Mat 10:9-13 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."

In choosing a wife...

Lev 21:7 "A cohen is not to marry a woman who is a prostitute, who has been profaned or who has been divorced; because he is holy for his Elohim."

1Ti 3:11 Similarly, the wives must be of good character, not gossips, but temperate, faithful in everything.

Managing his household...

Lev 21:9 The daughter of a cohen who profanes herself by prostitution profanes her father; she is to be put to death by fire.

Tit 1:6 A leader must be blameless, husband to one wife, with believing children who do not have a reputation for being wild or rebellious.

1Ti 3:4-5 He must manage his own household well, having children who obey him with all proper respect; for if a man can't manage his own household, how will he be able to care for Elohim's Messianic Community?

In essence that was the original intention (**Exo 19:5-6**) for the people of Israel, and it is achieved through Yeshua the Messiah...

1Pet 2:9 But you are a chosen people, the King's cohanim, a holy nation, a people for Elohim to possess! Why? In order for you to declare the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

This is because **YHWH** is calling His followers upward...

Php 3:14 I keep pursuing the goal in order to win the prize offered by Elohim's upward calling in the Messiah Yeshua.

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