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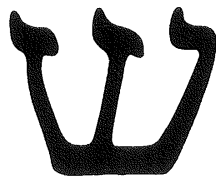
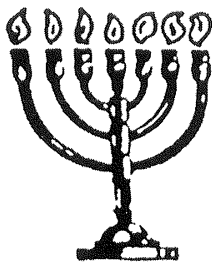


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Genesis 22/18: “And in thy (Abraham's) Seed (the Messiah of Israel) shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.”

Genesis 27/29: “Blessed be he that blesseth thee (Israel).”

Psalms 122/6: “Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.”

Psalms 102/14,17: “Yea, the set time is come....for the LORD (God of Israel) buildeth up Zion (Israel).”

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

There are over 300 Messianic Prophecies in the Jewish Old Testament – the TENAKH. They all point to only one person, Jesus Christ (Yeshua HaMashiakh), as the Jewish Messiah, the Holy One of Israel, the Saviour of the world. The Jewish prophets of the TANAKH were holy men of the God of Israel, highly respected and honoured by the Nation of Israel.

Some examples of the Messianic prophecies are:

- 1. Prophet Micah:** Birthplace of Messiah will be Bethlehem. Prophecy was made some hundreds of years BC. Note well: BC = Before Christ
- 2. Prophet Daniel:** The Messiah would come to Israel at the exact time Jesus Christ came. This prophecy was made over 500 BC.
- 3. Prophet King David:** The Messiah would be killed by crucifixion. This prophecy was made 1000 BC.
- 4. Prophet Isaiah:** The Messiah would die for the atonement of sins of other people. This prophecy was made several hundreds of years BC.

5. Prophet Daniel: The Messiah would be killed before the destruction of the second Temple. This prophecy was made about 500 BC. The second Temple was destroyed in 70 AD.

The above Messianic prophecies by highly respected Jewish prophets of the TENAKH, the Jewish Old Testament, are mentioned here briefly to introduce the subject of scriptural evidence; to prove that Jesus Christ is the Jewish Messiah of the Jewish Scriptures.

The following section analyses the scriptural evidence in the form of 10 (ten) major reasons why Jesus is the Messiah prophesied in the Jewish Bible. The analysis brings in some relevant issues; for example, a certain recently deceased Rabbi, presently declared by some orthodox Jews as “King Messiah”, cannot be the Messiah, because he was not born in Israel and his timing was wrong.

May you, reader, be blessed as you study this whole book. May the holy God of Israel help you to understand the truth of this scriptural analysis.

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CHAPTER 2

TEN REASONS WHY JESUS IS THE MESSIAH PROPHESED IN THE JEWISH BIBLE

1. Isaiah 52:10-15 to all Isaiah 53 - Jewish Masoretic Text Version of Old Testament

Isaiah 52/(10-15) — (introductory verses)

"The Lord (God of Israel) hath made bare His holy arm (now "Holy arm of the Lord" is one of many titles or names, given to the Messiah of Israel — see Psalm 98/(1-3); Psalm 77/16; Isaiah 40/10; Isaiah 59/16; Isaiah 63/5; — thus the Messiah is like "part" of God.

Another title of Messiah of Israel, is "Holy One of Israel" — see Psalm 16/10; Isaiah 49/7; Isaiah 41/14. Other titles, names, are "Righteous offspring of David", and "The Lord is our Righteousness" — which indicates Messiah has same name as God — see Jeremiah 23/(5-6). Also Zechariah 14/(3-4), and Isaiah 9/5 attributes the name of God of Israel to the Messiah.) in the eyes of all nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. (All the nations of the world, including the Gentiles, will be blessed by the Messiah of Israel, as indicated by Genesis 22/18; 28/14 — Isaiah 11/10; 42/1, 6, 7; 49/(6-8). NB — The Messiah is also to be a light and covenant, unto the Gentiles.)

Behold, My servant shall prosper, he shall be exalted, and extolled, and be very high (thus this "servant of God", the Holy arm of God, will be like God, as God is usually described in this way — exalted, extolled (praised), most high).

As many were astonished at thee; saying, surely his visage is too marred to be that of a man, and his form, to be that of the sons of men:

So shall he cause many nations to be amazed at him; kings shall shut their mouths: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they perceive."

Isaiah 53

"Who would have believed our report? (this story of the Messiah is very hard to believe as it is fantastically incredible).

. . . and for whom is the arm of the Lord (a title for Messiah as , mentioned above — this Messiah is "part" of God) revealed?

For he grew up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground: (Isaiah 9/(5-6) states the Messiah will come from the line of David, and Micah 5/1 states the Messiah will be born in the city of David — Bethlehem — which, by the way, means "house of bread" in Hebrew). He had no form nor comeliness; and now we look at him who was no beauty and we desire him.

He (the servant of God, the "arm of the Lord") was despised and rejected of men; (Isaiah 49/7 also states that the Messiah, the "Holy One" of God is despised and abhorred).

A man (singular) of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we (the children of Israel) hid as it were our faces from him; he (the "arm of the Lord", the Messiah of Israel?) was despised, and we esteemed him not. But verily he hath borne griefs inflicted by us, and suffered sorrows we have caused: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted (Zechariah 12/10, and 13/6 states that the Messiah was pierced and had wounds in his hands, wounded in the house of his friends). Though he was wounded through our transgressions (sins), bruised through our iniquities (wickedness): yet the bond of our peace is upon him, and in his fellowship we shall heal ourselves (i.e., we get atonement for our sins and healing, through the Messiah's sufferings as our scapegoat, like in Yom Kippur).

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; (i.e., everyone is doing "his own thing" instead of keeping the commandments and statutes of God).

.. . and the Lord hath caused the iniquity of us all to fall upon him (like scapegoat in Yom Kippur — Annual Day of Atonement for sins of Nation of Israel — when the high priest puts the sins of whole nation of Israel onto it — see Leviticus 16/10, (21-22)).

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he could not open his mouth: as a lamb which is brought to the slaughter (just like Passover lamb in the Torah — 5 books of Moses — e.g. Exodus 12/(1-14), and also like the other animal sacrifices in the Torah, for the atonement of sins — e.g. Leviticus 16/9, (15-19)).

... and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he could not open his mouth.

He was taken away from rule and from judgement; and as for his generation who should have spoken for him? For he was cut off out of the land of the living (i.e. killed — also Daniel 9/(25-26) states that the Messiah, the Anointed Prince — another title of Messiah — would be killed.

N.B. "Messiah" means "The Anointed One" — but to distinguish from other "anointed" persons, such as King David, the Messiah's more correct title is "The Anointed Prince". Incidentally, some Bible scholars say King David, who lived in 1000 B.C., predicted the method of execution of the Messiah in Psalm 22.).

... he was stricken through the transgression of my (the children of Israel) people. (i.e. he was sacrificed as a sin offering, like the animal sacrifices mentioned in the Torah —

e.g. Leviticus 16/9, (15-19)).

For one made his grave among the wicked, and his tomb among the rich; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth (i.e. he was a good, honest person).

But it pleased the Lord to bruise him; He hath put him to grief: saying, If his soul shall consider it a recompense for guilt (i.e. the Messiah's soul was offered as a sacrifice to compensate for guilt of sins committed).

He shall see his seed (the people that follow the Messiah and receive the benefits of the blessings of forgiveness of sins through the Messiah's atoning sacrifice), he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand (i.e. the Messiah will rise from the dead — and resurrect — to achieve this, as indicated in

Psalm 16/(10-11)).

He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied; by his knowledge shall my servant (the "arm of the Lord" — the Messiah of Israel) justify the righteous before many, and he (the Messiah) shall bear their iniquities (like scapegoat of Yom Kippur as mentioned above).

Surely I will divide him a portion with the great (great honour and glory bestowed on Messiah as indicated in Daniel 7/13 and Psalm 110), and he shall divide the spoil with the Strong (this is also indicated in Psalm 2/(6-8)); because he (the "arm of the Lord" — the Messiah of Israel) hath laid open his soul unto death, and was numbered with transgressors; and he (the Messiah) took off the sin of many (made atonement for their sins through his own blood sacrifice as the "Passover Lamb of God" — Leviticus 17/11 states that atonement for sins is done by the shedding of blood).

.. . and made intercession for the transgressors (prayed to God to forgive those who killed him).

Concluding remarks

Now, dear reader, what is your verdict? Who is the person described in Isaiah Chapter 53?

Was the person, the prophet Isaiah, as some Rabbis say? Well, tradition says the prophet Isaiah was killed by being "sawed" into two pieces, for preaching "bad news" to the King and elders of Israel. Now the prophet Isaiah himself acknowledged that he was not a sinless person, but like everybody else in Israel, "a man of unclean lips" — see Isaiah 6/5. Hence he could not be offered as a pure, holy, sinless, sacrifice for atonement of sins, as the Lord God of Israel demands a holy one, without sin, as exemplified in

the demand of the animals being sacrificed in the Tenach, to be without spot or blemish — e.g. see Exodus 12/5; Leviticus 9/3; 14/10; 23/12.

Or was the person, the Messiah of Israel, the Holy One of Israel; who is unique in being pure, holy, sinless; and thus the only one acceptable to God for the sacrificial atonement and forgiveness of sins of sinful people?

Or was the person the whole nation of Israel, as some Rabbis say? In my opinion, this opinion is without good foundation, as the scripture definitely describes a single person, and compares this single person to the whole nation of Israel. Also this person is described as Righteous servant of God, while Israel as a nation was a people laden with iniquity, a sinful nation, as the prophet Isaiah himself states (e.g. see Isaiah 6/5 — "a nation of unclean lips").

But what is your verdict, dear reader? If the person described is the Messiah of Israel, then has he already come — a Jew, from the line of David, suffering great anguish and pain, etc, for the forgiveness of sins of guilty people? Or is he yet to come?

What do you think, dear reader?

May the Lord God of Israel bless you with the truth, so that you will have a new heart and spirit, forgiven of sins, as described in Ezekiel 36/(24-29), and Jeremiah 31/(31-34).

Knowledge of the truth with corresponding respect for it, will set you free.

2. Daniel 9:25-27

This gives the time of the coming of the Messiah, which will be before the destruction of the Second Temple, at which time the rebuilt city of Jerusalem (previously destroyed in 586 BC, with the First Temple), would also be destroyed. This happened in 70 A.D., under the Roman General Titus.

Daniel 9:26

“And after sixty and two weeks will MESSIAH be cut off (i.e. Killed) and not for Himself (already explained above in Isaiah 53), and the City (of Jerusalem) and the sanctuary (that is – the Second Temple) will the people of the prince (that is – the Roman General Titus) that is coming, destroy.”

My Comment:

This happened in 70 A.D. The Messiah was predicted to come before 70 A.D., and would be killed. This points to Adonai Yeshua Ha Mashiakh (Lord Jesus Christ).

3. Micah 5:2

This gives the birth place of the Messiah, Bethlehem, which is the Hebrew word for 'house of bread'. What a coincidence , because Jesus said he was the “bread of life”.

There are now virtually no Jews living in this city, as it is now an Arab town. Thus, it is very unlikely for a Messiah to be born there now. Also, it would rule out a certain

recently deceased old Rabbi, presently declared by some Orthodox Jews as “King Messiah”, because he was not born in Israel.

4. Zechariah 9:9

This is about the Messiah coming to Jerusalem on a donkey (which is what Jesus Christ did). It is difficult to imagine Israel's Messiah coming to the Knesset (Israel's Parliament) on a donkey in this modern age and time.

Also, the above-mentioned deceased old Rabbi, declared by some Orthodox Jews as the Messiah, was driven in an automobile, not on a donkey.

5. Zechariah 12:10

“They will look on Me (the God of Israel – the subject of the passage), the One they have pierced.”

My Comment:

This is about the return of the Messiah at Armageddon, in divine glory. It indicates the Jewish Messiah of Israel is the God of Israel – the Holy One of Israel, and was crucified, but now alive, in divine glory, to rescue the Nation of Israel.

6. Isaiah 9:6-7

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called

wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace, there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his Kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness, from that time on and forever.

The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.”

My Comment:

This indicates that the Messiah is God and will reign on David's throne as King of Israel, during the Millennial Kingdom of Peace, which is soon to come at his Return (Second Coming).

The Orthodox Jewish books - Aramaic Targums - recognised this scripture as a reference to King Messiah, who is divine: “Mighty God, continuing forever, the Messiah; for peace shall be multiplied upon us in his days.”

7. Jeremiah 23:5-6

“‘The days are coming', declares Yahweh (the God of Israel), 'when I will raise up from David's line a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.

This is the name by which he will be called: Yahweh Tsidkhenu (our righteousness).’ ”

My Comment:

This states that the name of the Messiah, who will come from the line of David, is Yahweh, the name of the God of Israel. It also states that He will bring peace to Israel, reigning as its King on the throne of David, during the Millennial Kingdom.

With regard to the above scripture, the Talmud (orthodox Jewish writings) states that there are three who are called Shem ha Meforash – the Tetragrammaton – the Distinguished Name of God Almighty – Yahweh. Thus one can deduce that this points to the Holy Triune God – One God manifested in three divine persons – Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

8. Proverbs 30:4

This shows that God has a divine Son.

9. Psalm 2

This explains that the Messiah is the Almighty Son of God, and is to be honoured.

10. Isaiah 48:16

This passage indicates three divine beings, the third One being the Holy Spirit. This is the Holy Trinity.

CHAPTER 3

PRINCIPLES of SALVATION

Salvation is the Blessing of God, which includes Peace with God, a favourable relationship with Him and Everlasting Life in Heaven. It is freely given. It requires repentance, obeying the Will of God, on our part, with genuine faith in Messiah Yeshua. Faith has a component of obedience as indicated by **Romans 1:5**. Blessings and curses depend on whether one obeys or disobeys God, as stated in **Deuteronomy 30:19-20** by the prophet Moses:

"I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live. That thou mayest love the Lord thy God and that thou mayest obey His voice (which is expressed in the Bible, both the Old and New Testaments) and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for He is thy life and the length of thy days". (Note in the New Testament Jesus said, "I am the life" — see **John 11:25; 14:6**).

Thus if one desires Blessings and Eternal Life, one must obey God. A personal, favourable relationship and fellowship with God will bring you His abundant life of peace, meaning, happiness, purpose, joy and other manifold blessings. However, according to **Isaiah 59:2**; "But your iniquities (sins) have separated between you and

your God."

Sin (the transgression of breaking of God's Laws and commandments as expressed in the Bible), separates you from a personal relationship with God, and His abundant life. Now man was created to have a favourable fellowship with God (just like Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, in the beginning). But man stubbornly chose to go his own independent way, to "do his own thing." This self-will, expressed by either active rebellion, or passive indifference, towards God, is an evidence of what the Bible calls "SIN." Some examples of sin are: adultery, hate, lies, stealing, witchcraft, cruelty, unforgiveness, idolatry, involvement in the occult, pride, selfishness, etc, etc.

Not only does sin separate you from God, it also causes spiritual death, according to **Ezekiel 18:4**;

"The soul that sinneth, it shall die (spiritual death, with end result in HELL, Hades, Gehenna)".

The earthly results of sin are: guilt, lack of peace, frustration, unhappiness, lack of purpose, depression, etc, etc. Everyone has sinned, according to **1 Kings 8:46**;

"For there is NO man that sinneth not."

Also **Psalms 53:2-3** states:

"God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God. Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good; no, not one."

Are you, reader, willing to admit that you have sinned? What can you do to remove your sin? Well you cannot remove sin by your own human efforts, not even by your own self-righteousness (such as by outweighing your bad deeds by your good deeds, including religious works, human philosophies, etc). Man's self-righteousness is as "filthy rags" in the sight of a HOLY God, according to **Isaiah 64:6**;

"All of our righteousnesses are as filthy rags!"

Well, sin can be removed by FAITH (which means believing what God says, and acting correspondingly). Righteousness (right-standing-with-God) comes by FAITH placed in the "BLOOD OF ATONEMENT" ("ATONEMENT" means a "COVERING" for Sin), according to **Leviticus 17:11**, which states:

"For it is the BLOOD that maketh an atonement (covering) for the soul."

The animal sacrifices on the altar, mentioned throughout the Old Testament, provided the BLOOD OF ATONEMENT, for the covering of sins, acceptable to God. Some examples are given below:

EXAMPLES OF ATONEMENT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT — (KJV used)

1. Genesis 4:4;

"And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock"

This was Atonement for a man.

2. Exodus 12:13;

"when I see the BLOOD, I will pass over you,"

My Comments:

This was PASSOVER, ATONEMENT for a family, the night before the Jews left Egypt, when each family was commanded by God, through the prophet Moses, to kill a lamb (without blemish) and sprinkle the BLOOD on the door of the house. Thus when the "angel of death" saw the BLOOD, he "PASSED OVER" the house and did not kill or plague anybody in the house, while with the Egyptian families, all of the firstborn were killed.

3. Leviticus 16:15-17;

"Then he (Aaron, brother of Moses) shall kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the veil ... and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat... And he shall make an atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: ... And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he (Aaron) goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel".

Some other Verses in this chapter are:

Verse 27;

"And the bullock for the sin offering, and the goat for the sin offering whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place ..."

Verse 30;

"For on that day (Yom Kippur) shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD."

Verse 34;

"And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins once a year (on Yom Kippur) ..."

My Comments

This was the yearly "Yom Kippur" Day of Atonement for the whole nation of Israel.

All the animal sacrifices pointed to the Atoning Sacrifice of Messiah Yeshua, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world as John the Baptist said in **John 1:29** KJV, when he said,

"Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

The animal sacrifices were a foreshadow of the only true sacrifice for the Atonement of sins through Messiah Yeshua (that is, the Lord Jesus Christ).

ATONEMENT through the Shed BLOOD OF THE MESSIAH — (KJV used except for Psalm 49:(7-9))

However, today, for all who believe, God has provided the BLOOD OF ATONEMENT through the perfect Sacrifice of the unblemished, sinless LAMB of God, the Messiah, the "Anointed" One, according to **Isaiah 53:5-6**, which states:

"But He (the Messiah, the righteous servant of God, the Holy One of Israel) was wounded for our transgressions (breakages of God's Laws), He was bruised for our iniquities (sins): the chastisement (punishment) of our peace (for our welfare) was upon Him; and with his stripes (wounds, BLOOD), we are healed (atoned for).

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way (that is "doing our own thing"); and the LORD (Yahweh) hath laid on Him (the Messiah) the iniquity (sins) of us all."

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Other verses in Isaiah Chapter 53 are:

Verse 10:

"... when thou shalt make His soul an offering for sin ..."

Verse 11:

"... shall My righteous Servant (the Messiah) justify (make just as if he had never sinned) many; for he shall bear their iniquities (sins)."

However the Messiah arose from the dead on the third day, according to **Psalm 16:10**, and then went to sit at the right hand of God, according to **Psalm 110:1**, and also in the New Testament in **Mark 16:19**.

Now, you may ask, why cannot any human being be used as a human sacrifice for a sin offering? Well, this is impossible as man is basically sinful and there is not a single person who is sinless except the Messiah, The Holy One of Israel. The relevant scripture is:

Ps 49:7-9 — NIV

"No man can redeem the life of another or give to God a ransom for him - the ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough - that he should live on forever and not see decay."

It required an unblemished, sinless person to be sacrificed for a sin offering, to bear the sins of people. That was the mission of the Messiah, to save the world from the power of sin and to reconcile man back to a favourable relationship with God. This can only be done through Messiah Yeshua, just like when He said:

John 14:6

"I am the way, the TRUTH and the life. No man cometh unto the Father (God the Father) but by ME."

It is interesting to note that the Hebrew word Yeshuah means "Salvation" and Yeshua means "Yahweh is Salvation". Incidentally the word "Christ" came from the Greek word "Kristos", meaning "Messiah", or "The Anointed One".

Now soon after the crucifixion and atoning death of Messiah Yeshua, the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed (70 A.D.) thus making the atoning animal sacrifices (such as, for example, Yom Kippur) on the altar of the Temple, impossible. This was caused to happen by God, as the BLOOD of ATONEMENT of Messiah Yeshua is sufficient once and for all time, making Temple Sacrifices redundant.

The animal sacrifices were a foreshadow of the only true Sacrifice for the Atonement of Sins through Messiah Yeshua (that is, the Lord Jesus Christ). See above for further explanation in section "Examples of Atonement"

If a person (Jew or Gentile) repents from his sins and renounces all works of darkness, and accepts Yeshua (Jesus) as his LORD God, Messiah and Saviour, as the King of his heart (to be Christ-centred and not self-centred) with believing faith, then the LORD GOD will cleanse him from his sins, give him a new heart, fill him with The Holy Spirit to reconcile him in peace with God.

This gives him a personal and favourable relationship with God, with The Holy Spirit living in his heart, giving him Eternal Life and making him a partaker of God's Divine Nature and Life.

Thus when a Jew meets God's requirements concerning Messiah Yeshua, he completes his Judaism, and becomes a fulfilled, completed Jew, by gaining the BLOOD of Atonement, the Messiah, and a very personal and favourable relationship with God. God's Holy Spirit then enters his life and he receives Eternal Life. Thus his sins are forgiven and cleansed through the sacrificial, atoning BLOOD of the Messiah Yeshua (Jesus) and he is reconciled to God in peace — becoming an anointed, favoured, child of God. HALLELU YAH.



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CHAPTER 4

PRAYER for SALVATION

PRAYER FOR SALVATION TO RECEIVE ETERNAL LIFE, WITH SINS FORGIVEN

INTRODUCTION

If after reading this book, you believe in Yeshua HaMashiakh (Jesus Christ), the Almighty Son of God, and would like to receive Him as your Lord and Saviour, and thus appropriate the Blessings of God; all your sins forgiven, your conscience cleansed, peace with God and the attainment of Eternal Life in Heaven, and all the other promises of God mentioned in the Bible, then say the following prayer:

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

"Dear Lord Yeshua HaMashiakh (Jesus Christ), the Almighty Son of God, I believe You died on the cross near Jerusalem for the atonement of my sins, and that You rose from the dead, on the third day. I accept and receive You, by Your Holy Spirit, into my heart and life as my Lord and Saviour. Please forgive all my sins and transgressions and cleanse me from all unrighteousness with the Atoning Power of Your shed BLOOD on the Cross. I repent of, and turn away from all my sins and wrongful attitudes. I now turn to You to create in me, through the power of Your Holy Spirit, a life of obedience, love and holiness. I

forgive everyone who has ever done me wrong, including those who provoked me to anger and resentment. I renounce all powers of darkness.

I thank You now, Lord Yeshua (Jesus) for cleansing me with the Power of Your BLOOD of Atonement, and giving me new life, according to Your word in the Bible. From now on, I shall pattern my life, with Your help and guidance, on Your teachings of "love my neighbour as myself " and "forgive those who do me wrong" and other words of wisdom as expressed in the Bible. Please help me to obey the Will of God daily, including obeying Your Commandments for Godly living and to glorify Christ daily.

In Your Name, Lord Yeshua HaMashiakh (Jesus Christ), Amen."

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CHAPTER 5

The PRIESTLY BLESSING

Num 6: (22-27) NIV

"The LORD (Yahweh) said to Moses, 'Tell Aaron and his sons, This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

"The LORD (Yahweh) bless you and keep you;
The LORD (Yahweh) make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
The LORD (Yahweh) turn his face toward you and give you peace."
So they will put my name (Yahweh) on the Israelites, and I will bless them'. "

My Comments

In this very important priestly blessing, instructed by the God of Israel to Moses, the personal Name of God, Yahweh, is put upon people three times, to bless them.

The Name Yahweh is the Name of the Holy Triune God — Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Three Persons in the Godhead.

The Priestly Blessing points to The Holy Trinity.

Yahweh is a very Holy Name and the most powerful Name in the Universe, with its compound Name Yeshua (Yahweh is Salvation).

By using the Name of God three times to bless people, would they get a triple blessing?

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