

DAY OF ATONEMENT

Blow Shofar/Trumpets Songs of Praise Opening Prayer

This holy day immediately follows the end of the war when Jeshua returns to take control of the world. It is a day of repentance and reconnecting with Jehovah God. It will also be the time when Satan will be judged for his crimes and imprisoned.

The Day of Atonement was instituted by God as a day of convocation and affliction:

Lev 23:26 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying:

Lev 23:27 “Also the tenth day of this seventh new moon shall be the Day of Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to Jehovah.

Lev 23:28 “And you shall do no work on that same day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before Jehovah your God.

Lev 23:29 “For any soul who is not afflicted of soul on that same day, he shall be cut off from his people.

Lev 23:30 “And any soul who does any work on that same day, that soul I will destroy from among his people.

Lev 23:31 “You shall do no manner of work; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

Lev 23:32 ‘It shall be to you a Sabbath of Sabbath observance, and you shall afflict your souls; on the ninth day of the new moon at evening, from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your

Sabbath.”¹

A convocation is a meeting of the congregation of God with God. Afflicting your soul means to pray earnestly for forgiveness and to fast for the day as an indication that we recognize our sinfulness. This is clearly a special day on Jehovah’s calendar.

Fasting is recommended for Christians too:

Mat 9:14 Then the disciples of John approached Him, and said, “Why do we and the Pharisees often fast, but Your disciples do not fast?”

Mat 9:15 Jeshua said to them, “Why would the sons at the wedding feast fast as long as the bridegroom is with them? But the days are coming when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast.

And indeed, our Bridegroom is not fully with us now, so it is reasonable that we fast. Fasting cannot force God to do something for us because we are doing something ‘righteous’, but serves to remind us how fragile and sinful we are and how much we need God’s forgiveness, love and support. It is intended to help us draw closer to God. See the results of Israel’s attempt to force God to obey them:

1Sa 4:1 And the word of Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out to battle against the Philistines, and encamped beside Ebenezer; and the Philistines encamped in Aphek.

1Sa 4:2 Then the Philistines put themselves in battle array against Israel. And when they joined battle, Israel was defeated by the

¹ Act 27:9, 1Jo 2:2

Philistines, who killed about four thousand men of the army in the field.

1Sa 4:3 And when the people had come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, “Why has Jehovah defeated us today before the Philistines? Let us bring the ark of the covenant of Jehovah from Shiloh to us, that when it comes among us it may save us from the hand of our enemies.”

1Sa 4:4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from there the ark of the covenant of Jehovah of Hosts, who dwells between the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God.

1Sa 4:5 And when the ark of the covenant of Jehovah came into the camp, all Israel shouted so loudly that the earth shook.

1Sa 4:6 Now when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, “What does the sound of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews mean?” Then they understood that the ark of Jehovah had come into the camp.

1Sa 4:7 So the Philistines were afraid, for they said, “God has come into the camp!” And they said, “Woe to us! For such a thing has never happened before.

1Sa 4:8 “Woe to us! Who will deliver us from the hand of these mighty gods? These are the gods who struck the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.

1Sa 4:9 “Be strong and conduct yourselves like men, you Philistines, that you do not become servants of the Hebrews, as they have been to you. Conduct yourselves like men, and fight!”

1Sa 4:10 So the Philistines fought, and Israel was defeated, and every man fled to his tent. There was a very great slaughter, and thirty thousand foot soldiers of Israel fell there.

1Sa 4:11 Also the ark of God was captured; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died.

So we see that not even something as sacred to God as the ark containing the Ten Words was enough to make Jehovah obey

men. On this particular day fasting is especially to remind us of our personal sins, of everyone's sins, and of our repentance of sin, as we see in these examples:

Jon 3:3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of Jehovah. Now Nineveh was God's great city, a three-day journey in extent.

Jon 3:4 And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

Jon 3:5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them.

Jon 3:6 Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes.

Jon 3:7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, "Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water.

Jon 3:8 "But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands.

Jon 3:9 "Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?"

Jon 3:10 Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.

Psa 69:5 O God, You know my foolishness; and my sins are not hidden from You.

Psa 69:6 Do not let those who wait for You, O Lord Jehovah of Hosts, be ashamed because of me. Do not let those who seek You be confounded because of me, O God of Israel.

Psa 69:7 Because for Your sake I have borne reproach; shame has covered my face.

Psa 69:8 I have become a stranger to my brothers, and an alien to my mother's children;

Psa 69:9 Because zeal for Your house has eaten me up,² and the reproaches of those who reproach You have fallen on me.³

Psa 69:10 When I wept and chastened my soul with fasting, that became my reproach.

Psa 69:11 I also made sackcloth my garment; I became a proverb to them.

Psa 69:12 Those who sit in the gate speak against me, and I am the song of the drunkards.

Psa 69:13 But as for me, my prayer is to You, O Jehovah, in the acceptable time; O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, Hear me in the truth of Your salvation.

Psa 69:14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink; let me be delivered from those who hate me, and out of the deep waters.

Psa 69:15 Do not let the floodwater overflow me, nor let the deep swallow me up; and do not let the pit shut its mouth on me.

Psa 69:16 Hear me, O Jehovah, for Your loving-kindness is good; turn to me according to the multitude of Your tender mercies.

Psa 69:17 And do not hide Your face from Your servant, for I am in trouble. Hear me speedily.

Psa 69:18 Draw near to my soul, and redeem it;

Now we shall read the Ceremony that God gave to Moses, which was to be performed only once each year, on the Day of Atonement. It was the only time that Aaron, the High Priest, was allowed to enter the Holy of Holies. Carefully note the examples of Azazel and Jehovah's Goats, which we will discuss after reading this passage from Leviticus 16:

² Joh 2:17, Luk 2:49

³ Rom 15:3

Lev 16:2 And Jehovah said to Moses: “Speak to Aaron your brother and *say* he shall not come at all times into the Holy inside the veil, before the mercy seat which is on the ark, and he shall not die; for I appear in the cloud on the mercy seat.⁴

Lev 16:3 “With this shall Aaron come into the Holy: with a young bull, a son of the herd for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.⁵

Lev 16:4 “He shall put the holy linen tunic on, and linen trousers on his body; and with a linen belt he shall gird *himself*, and with the linen turban he shall wrap *himself*. They are holy garments. And he shall bathe his flesh in water, and shall put them on.

Lev 16:5 “And from the congregation of the children of Israel he shall take two males of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

Lev 16:6 “And Aaron shall bring the young bull of the sin offering, which *is* his own, and shall atone for himself and for his house.

Lev 16:7 “And he shall take the two goats and stand them before Jehovah *at* the door of the tent of the appointed times.

Lev 16:8 “Then Aaron shall cast lots over the two goats: one lot for Jehovah and the other lot for Azazel.

Lev 16:9 “And Aaron shall bring the goat on which Jehovah’s lot fell, and shall make it a sin offering.

Lev 16:10 “But the goat on which Azazel’s lot fell shall be stood alive before Jehovah, to atone by it, and to send it away *as* Azazel into the wilderness.

Lev 16:11 “And Aaron shall bring the young bull of the sin offering, which *is* his own, and shall atone for himself and for his house, and

⁴ Meaning that if Aaron entered the Holy of Holies in any other time or way than that permitted on the Day of Atonement, as described down to vs 34, he would die.

⁵ Meaning to bring in their blood, not the live animals themselves, as confirmed in 16:27.

shall kill the young bull of the sin offering which *is* his own.

Lev 16:12 “Then he shall take a censer full of coals of fire from the altar before Jehovah, *with* his hands full of fragrant incense beaten fine, and bring *it* inside the veil.

Lev 16:13 “And he shall put the incense on the fire before Jehovah, and the cloud of the incense will cover the mercy seat which *is* on the Testimony, and he shall not die.

Lev 16:14 “He shall take *some* of the blood of the young bull and sprinkle *it* with his finger eastward on the front of the mercy seat; and at the front of the mercy seat he shall sprinkle *some* of the blood with his finger seven times.

Lev 16:15 “Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which *is for* the people, and shall bring its blood inside the veil, and shall do with its blood as he has done with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat.

Lev 16:16 “And he shall atone for the Holy, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, for all their sins; and so he shall do for the tent of the appointed times which remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness.⁶

Lev 16:17 “There shall be no man in the tent of the appointed times when he goes in to make atonement in the Holy, until he comes out, that he may make atonement for himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel.

Lev 16:18 “And he shall go out to the altar that is before Jehovah, and make atonement for it, and shall take *some* of the blood of the young bull and *some* of the blood of the goat, and put it on the horns of the altar all around.

Lev 16:19 “Then he shall sprinkle *some* of the blood on it with his finger seven times, cleanse it, and sanctify it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

Lev 16:20 “And when he has finished atoning for the Holy, the tent

⁶ Joh 1:29, Heb 6:19-20, Rev 7:14

of the appointed times, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat;

Lev 16:21 “and Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, and all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it into the wilderness by the hand of a chosen man.

Lev 16:22 “The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an isolated region; and he shall send the goat into the wilderness.

Lev 16:23 “Then Aaron shall come into the tent of the appointed times, shall take off the linen garments which he put on when he went into the Holy, and shall leave them there.

Lev 16:24 “And he shall bathe his body with water in a sacred place, put on his garments, come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people.

Lev 16:25 “The fat of the sin offering he shall burn as incense on the altar.

Lev 16:26 “And he who released the goat for Azazel shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and afterwards he shall come into the camp.

Lev 16:27 “The young bull for the sin offering and the goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the Holy, shall be carried outside the camp. And they shall burn in the fire their skins, their flesh, and their offal.⁷

Lev 16:28 “Then he who burns them shall wash his clothes and shall bathe his body in water, and afterwards he shall come into the camp.

Lev 16:29 “This shall be a statute for you forever: In the seventh new moon, on the tenth day of the new moon, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, *whether* a native of your own country or a stranger who sojourns among you.

Lev 16:30 “For on this day he shall make atonement for you, to

⁷ Heb 13:11

cleansing you. You shall be clean from all your sins before Jehovah.

Lev 16:31 “It is a Sabbath of Sabbath observance for you, and you shall afflict your souls. It is a statute forever.

Lev 16:32 “And the priest who he anoints, and whose hand he shall consecrate to serve as priest instead of his father, shall make atonement, and shall put on the linen garments, the holy garments;

Lev 16:33 “then he shall atone for the Holy Sanctuary, and for the tent of the appointed times and he shall atone for the altar, and he shall atone for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.

Lev 16:34 “This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to atone for the children of Israel, for all their sins, once a year.” And he did as Jehovah commanded Moses.⁸

The Day of Atonement is established as an Everlasting Statute, as stated in verse 31.

The goat for Jehovah must be slain and its blood sprinkled onto the altar to free the people from their sins. This goat represents Jeshua, God’s Son, who is slain and His blood sprinkled onto the true altar in heaven to free all of us from our sins:

Heb 9:7 But the high priest would enter the inner tabernacle by himself once a year with blood, which he offered for his soul and for the offences of the people,⁹

Heb 9:8 now in this the Holy Spirit taught that the way of Holiness was not yet revealed for as long as the first tabernacle was still standing.¹⁰

⁸ Heb 9:7

⁹ Lev 16:2-34

¹⁰ *First* refers to the physical Booths. The second physical Booth, or Temple, built at Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans in 70 CE. After that, the only way to Holiness was through Jeshua the Messiah.

Heb 9:9 This was a symbol for that time in which offerings and sacrifices were offered which were not able to perfect the conscience of him who offered them;

Heb 9:10 *concerned* only with food and drink, and various kinds of immersions, that are fleshly ordinances established until the time of reformation.

Heb 9:11 But the Messiah who came has become the High Priest of the good things that he did, and He entered the great and perfect tabernacle that was not made with hands, which is not of this creation.

Heb 9:12 He did not enter with the blood of yearling goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Holy House that one time, and He achieved everlasting redemption.¹¹

Heb 9:13 For if the blood of goats and calves and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkled on the defiled, sanctifies them for the purifying of the flesh,

Heb 9:14 therefore, how much more will the blood of Messiah, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works, that we may serve the Living God?

Heb 9:15 Because of this, He is the Mediator of the New Covenant, for by His death, He became salvation for those who transgressed against the first covenant, that we who are called may receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance.

Never forget that, as vs 12 says, Jeshua entered the true Holy of Holies in Heaven with His own blood to redeem us. Nothing else can redeem us.

But now, let us return to the Leviticus passage: Azazel essentially translates as “goat of departure” and is a symbol for

¹¹ Rev 5:9

Satan, who finally has all the sins he is responsible for placed back onto his own head. He is then removed from any further contact with people until the end of the Millennium, as we will see below.

Atonement is a day of very serious judgement, where sin must be acknowledged and dealt with.

Atonement must be made for:

the High Priest (the earthly one prior to the impalement of our Messiah)

the Sanctuary

the Meeting Place

the Altar

all the priests

all the people

Atonement includes the concept of “At One Ment” - bringing us back from our separation from God and into an intimate relationship with him. But who has been separated from God?

Israel needed God's forgiveness:

Dan 9:1 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;

Dan 9:2 in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of Jehovah, given through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would fulfill seventy years in the ruins of Jerusalem.

Dan 9:3 Then I set my face toward Jehovah God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes.

Dan 9:4 And I prayed to Jehovah my God, and made confession, and said, “O Jehovah, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and with those who keep His commandments;

Dan 9:5 “we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done evil and rebelled, and turned from Your commandments and Your judgements.

Dan 9:6 “Nor have we heeded Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your Name to our kings and our princes, to our fathers and all the people of the land.

Dan 9:7 “O Jehovah, righteousness belongs to You, but shame of face to us, as it is this day; to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those near and those far off in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of the unfaithfulness which they have committed against You.

Dan 9:8 “O Jehovah, shame of face belongs to us, to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, because we have sinned against You.

Dan 9:9 “To Jehovah our God belongs mercy and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against Him.

Dan 9:10 “We have not obeyed the voice of Jehovah our God, to walk in His Instructions, which He set before us by His servants the prophets.

Dan 9:11 “Yes, all Israel has transgressed Your Instructions, and has departed so as not to obey Your voice; therefore the curse and the oath written in the Instructions of Moses the servant of God have been poured out on us, because we have sinned against Him.

Dan 9:12 “And He has confirmed His words, which He spoke against us and against our judges who judged us, by bringing upon us a great disaster; for under the whole heaven such never has been done as what has been done to Jerusalem.

Dan 9:13 “As it is written in the Instructions of Moses, all this disaster has come upon us; yet we have not made our prayer before Jehovah our God, that we might turn from our iniquities and understand Your truth.

Dan 9:14 “Therefore Jehovah has kept the disaster in mind, and brought it upon us; for Jehovah our God is righteous in all the works which He does, though we have not obeyed His voice.

Dan 9:15 “And now, O Jehovah our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and made Yourself a

Name, as it is this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly!

Dan 9:16 “O Jehovah, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your anger and Your fury be turned away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people have become a reproach to all who are around us.

Dan 9:17 “Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate, for Your Name, Jehovah.

Dan 9:18 “O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your Name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies.

Dan 9:19 “O Jehovah, hear! O Jehovah, forgive! O Jehovah, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your Name.”

Like Israel, we also need God's forgiveness:

Pro 28:13 He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

Pro 28:14 Blessed is the man who always trembles, but he who hardens his heart will fall into evil.

Our need to tremble before Jehovah is expanded in 1 John 1:5 to 2:6:

1Jo 1:5 This is the Good News which we have heard from Him and we declare to you, that God is light and there is not any darkness in Him at all.

1Jo 1:6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him and we walk in darkness, we lie and we do not understand the truth.

1Jo 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of His Son Jeshua cleanses us from all of our sins.

1Jo 1:8 If we say that we have no sin in us, we deceive ourselves,

and the truth is not in us.

1Jo 1:9 But if we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and He will cleanse us from all our evil.

1Jo 1:10 And if we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

1Jo 2:1 Children, I write these things to you, that you will not sin. And if anyone sins, we have the Redeemer of the cursed with the Father, Jeshua the righteous Messiah.

1Jo 2:2 For He is in Himself the Atonement¹² because of our sins, and not in our place only but also in place of the whole world.

1Jo 2:3 Now by this we can tell that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.

1Jo 2:4 For he who says, "I know Him." and does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

1Jo 2:5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is completed in them. By this we know that we are in Him.

1Jo 2:6 He who says "I am in Him.", it is necessary for him to walk just like He walks.

Like Daniel and John, we also must pray for forgiveness for our sins and keep God's commandments.

We must also pray for patience with each other (Book of Jacob, aka James):

Jac 5:7 But you, my brethren, be patient in your spirit¹³ until the coming of Lord Jah.¹⁴ Be like the farmer who waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently in his spirit for it until he receives the early and spring rain.

¹² Lev 23:26-32, Heb 9:11-15

¹³ Literally 'long in spirit'

¹⁴ Zec 8:3, As in the Peshitta.

Jac 5:8 You also be patient in your spirit and strengthen your hearts, for the coming of our Lord draws near.

Jac 5:9 Do not grumble against one another, my brethren, lest you be judged. For behold, the Judge is standing before the gate!

Jac 5:10 My brethren, take the example of the prophets for patience in spirit in your afflictions, who spoke in the Name of Jehovah.¹⁵

Jac 5:11 For behold, we give our blessings to those who endure. You have heard of the endurance of Job and you have seen the end that Lord Jah made for him; because Jehovah¹⁶ is very compassionate and merciful.

Jac 5:12 But above all else, my brethren, do not swear vows, neither by heaven nor by earth nor with any other oath, but let your word “Yes,” be “Yes,” and “No,” “No,” lest you be condemned in judgement.

Jac 5:13 And if anyone among you is suffering, let him pray. And if anyone is rejoicing, let him sing psalms.

Jac 5:14 And if anyone among you is ill, let him call for the elders of the congregation, and let them pray over him and anoint him with oil in the Name of Jehovah.¹⁷

Jac 5:15 And the prayer of faith will heal the one who was ill, and Jehovah will raise him up.¹⁸ And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven for them.

Jac 5:16 But you, confess your offences to one another, and you must pray for one another to be healed, for the power of prayer of a righteous man is great.

Jac 5:17 For Elijah was a man subject to suffering like us, and he

¹⁵ As in 2 Chron 36:15-16, given as Lord Jah (MarJah) in the Peshitta.

¹⁶ As in Psalm 103:8. Also see Job 42:10-16

¹⁷ As in 1Sa 16:13, given as our Lord in the Peshitta.

¹⁸ As in Psalm 41:10, given as our Lord in the Peshitta.

prayed that rain would not fall on the land, and it did not come down for three years and six months.

Jac 5:18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth yielded its fruits.¹⁹

Jac 5:19 My brethren, if any one of you wanders from the Way of Truth, and someone restores him from his error,

Jac 5:20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way saves his soul from death and blots out the multitude of his sins.

Let us never underestimate the power and necessity of prayer.

Pray for forgiveness for others:

Mat 5:43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’²⁰

Mat 5:44 “But I say to you, love your enemies and bless those who curse you. Do what is good to those who hate you, and pray for those who take you by force and persecute you,

Mat 5:45 “so that you may be descendants of your Father in heaven. He makes His sun rise on the good and on the evil, and causes His rain to fall on the just and the unjust.

Mat 5:46 “For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the publicans do this?

Mat 5:47 “And if you only greet your brethren in peace, what more are you doing? Do not even the publicans do this?

Mat 5:48 “Therefore you should be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

Think on this. Jeshua does not merely want us to become

¹⁹ 1Ki 16:29-18:45

²⁰ This must have been a common saying then, but is not an Instruction from Jehovah. However, David expresses the hatred in Psa 139:21-22.

good, we are to become perfect. Pray for God to remove our sins and fix our sinful nature, as King David did:

Psa 51:1 Have mercy upon me, O God! According to Your loving-kindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

Psa 51:2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

Psa 51:3 For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sin is always before me.

Psa 51:4 Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight; that You may be found righteous when You speak and pure when You judge.²¹

Psa 51:5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and my mother conceived me in sin.

Psa 51:6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

Psa 51:7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Psa 51:8 Make me to hear joy and gladness, that the bones which You have broken may rejoice.

Psa 51:9 Hide Your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.

Psa 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psa 51:11 Do not cast me away from Your presence and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Psa 51:12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with Your generous Spirit.

Psa 51:13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways and sinners shall be converted to You.

Psa 51:14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.

Psa 51:15 O Jehovah, open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth

²¹ Rom 3:4

Your praise.

Psa 51:16 For You do not delight that I should give sacrifices, You take no pleasure from burnt offering.

Psa 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart. These, O God, You will not despise.

Psa 51:18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; build the walls of Jerusalem.

Psa 51:19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering; then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

We must offer to our God the sacrifices of a broken and contrite heart.

Jeshua is the sacrifice for our sins, as we read earlier in Hebrews. Indeed, what Jeshua has done for us was prophesied, in great detail, in Isaiah 53:

Isa 53:1 Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of Jehovah been revealed?²²

Isa 53:2 For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him.

Isa 53:3 He is despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Isa 53:4 Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.²³

Isa 53:5 But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon

²² Joh 12:38, Rom 10:16

²³ Mat 8:17

Him, and by His wounds we are healed.

Isa 53:6 All of us have gone astray like sheep; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and Jehovah has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.²⁴

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He did not open his mouth.²⁵

Isa 53:8 He was taken from prison and from judgement, and who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living;²⁶ for the transgressions of My people He was stricken.

Isa 53:9 And they made His grave with the wicked; but with the rich in His death, because He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth.²⁷

Isa 53:10 Yet Jehovah was pleased to crush Him; He has made Him grieve. If He makes His soul an offering for sin, He shall see *His* seed, He shall prolong *His* days, and the pleasure of Jehovah shall prosper in His hand.

Isa 53:11 He shall see the travail of His soul, and He will be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.²⁸

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide to Him with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul to death, and He was numbered with the transgressors, and He bore the

²⁴ Mat 27:26

²⁵ Mat 27:12-14

²⁶ Joh 1:29, Act 8:32-33

²⁷ Mat 27:60, Luk 23:53, Joh 19:38-42

²⁸ 1Pe 2:22-24

sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.²⁹

Never, ever, underestimate the value of our Messiah's sacrifice:
Heb 10:12 But He offered one sacrifice for sins forever, then He sat at the right *side* of God,

Heb 10:13 and He remains there until His enemies are placed as a footstool under His feet.³⁰

Heb 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Heb 10:15 And the Holy Spirit also witnesses to us, saying,

Heb 10:16 “This is the covenant that I will give them after those days, says Jehovah: I will place My Instructions into their minds, and I will write them on their hearts,

Heb 10:17 “and their evils and their sins; I will not remember them.”³¹

Heb 10:18 Now where there is forgiveness of sins, an offering for sins is not required.

Heb 10:19 Therefore, brethren, we are given boldness to enter the Holy House by the blood of Jeshua

Heb 10:20 and the Way of Life, Who renewed us within the veil, which is His flesh.

Heb 10:21 And there is, for us, a High Priest over the House of God.

Heb 10:22 Therefore, let us approach with a true heart and confident faith, having our hearts sprinkled and purified from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Heb 10:23 Let us hold tightly to the confession of our hope and let us not waver, for He who promised us is faithful.

²⁹ Mat 27:50, Mar 9:12, Mar 14:49, Luk 22:37, 1Pe 2:4, Heb 9:28

³⁰ Psa 110:1

³¹ As in Jer 31:33-34, rendered as MarJah (Lord Jah) in the Peshitta.

Heb 10:24 And let us look after one another by encouraging love and good works,

Heb 10:25 and we should not forsake our assemblies, as is the manner of some persons, but look after one another, and all the more as you see that Day approaching.

Hold on to our hope tightly, do not turn back:

Heb 10:26 For if a person chooses to sin after receiving the knowledge of the Truth, after that there is not a sacrifice that can be offered in place of the sins,

Heb 10:27 but that terrifying judgement is ready, and fiery zeal which devours the adversaries.

Heb 10:28 For if anyone violates Moses' Instructions, he dies without mercy on the words³² of two or three witnesses.³³

Heb 10:29 How much more will his punishment be, do you think, when he has trampled upon the Son of God, and regarded the blood of His covenant by which he was sanctified as a common thing,³⁴ and he has despised the Spirit of Grace?

Heb 10:30 We know Him who said, "Vengeance is Mine; I will repay." And again, "Jehovah will judge His people."³⁵

Heb 10:31 It is a very fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.³⁶

³² Literally 'by the mouth'.

³³ Deu 17:6

³⁴ Literally 'like that of every person' - that is, ordinary, common blood, not the blood of God's only true Son.

³⁵ As in Deu 32:35-36, rendered as MarJah (Lord Jah) in the Peshitta. Also Rom 12:19 & 1Th 4:6

³⁶ Under these circumstances of unforgivable sins.

Heb 10:32 Therefore remember those first days when you received immersion,³⁷ and you endured a great struggle with suffering and shameful affliction;

Heb 10:33 and you became a spectacle and you also became companions with people who endured these things;

Heb 10:34 and you were grieved concerning those who were imprisoned. You endured the theft of your possessions with joy, because you knew that you have a greater possession in Heaven which will not pass away.

Heb 10:35 Therefore do not throw away your boldness, for there is a great reward coming to you because of it.

Heb 10:36 For it is necessary for you to have endurance to do the will of God and receive the promise:

Heb 10:37 “For there is very little time, and He who is coming will come and will not delay.”³⁸

Heb 10:38 “But the righteous one shall live by My faith; and if he gives up on it, My soul has no pleasure in him.”³⁹

Heb 10:39 And we are not despondent, which leads to destruction, but *are those* of the faith which gives our souls to us.

Satan will be judged and bound when Jeshua returns, as was indicated by Azazel’s goat:

Rev 20:1 And I saw another angel from Heaven, who had with him the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

Rev 20:2 And he seized the dragon, the ancient serpent, who is the

³⁷ The Greek manuscripts have ‘enlightenment’. Bauscher believes this to be a mistranslation of similar Aramaic words.

³⁸ Similar to Habakkuk 2:3

³⁹ Hab 2:4, Zep 1:6, Mal 1:1-10

Devil and Satan,⁴⁰ and bound him for a thousand years;
Rev 20:3 and he cast him into the abyss, and shut and sealed the top of it, that he would not seduce all the nations again. After these years it is allowed to release him for a little time.

Jubilee, which begins on the Day of Atonement, marks the beginning of freedom:

Lev 25:8 ‘And you shall count seven Sabbaths of years for yourself, seven times seven years; and the time of the seven Sabbaths of years shall be forty-nine years to you.

Lev 25:9 ‘Then you shall cause the shophar’s shout to pass through on the tenth day of the seventh new moon; on the Day of Atonement you shall make the shophar to pass throughout all your land.

Lev 25:10 ‘And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a Jubilee for you; and each of you shall return to his possession, and each of you shall return to his family.

Lev 25:11 ‘That fiftieth year shall be a Jubilee to you; in it you shall neither sow nor reap what grows of its own accord, nor gather the grapes of your untended vine.

Lev 25:12 ‘For it is the Jubilee; it shall be holy to you; you shall eat its produce from the field.

Lev 25:13 ‘In this Year of Jubilee, each of you shall return to his possession.

The Jubilee fits well here, as it is a foretaste of what will happen when Jeshua returns and sets up the Millennium of Peace, as Isa 35:1-10, Eze 37:21-28 and Jer 30:3-10 show.

With Satan bound, people will be free to obey God:

Jer 31:31 “Behold, the days are coming,” says Jehovah, “when I

⁴⁰ Gen 3:1-13

will cut a New Covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah;

Jer 31:32 “not according to the covenant that I cut with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them.” says Jehovah.

Jer 31:33 “But this is the covenant that I will cut with the house of Israel: After those days, says Jehovah, I will put My Instructions in their inner parts, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they will be My people.

Jer 31:34 “No more shall each man teach his neighbour, and each man his brother, saying, ‘Know Jehovah.’ for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them.” says Jehovah. “For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will not remember their sins again.”⁴¹

Saints will be blessed in helping rule during the Millennium under Jeshua:

Rev 20:4 And I saw seats, and they sat on them, and judgement was given to them and the souls of those who were cut off⁴² for the testimony of Jeshua and for the word of God, and because these had not worshipped the beast nor its image, nor received the mark between their eyes or on their hands.⁴³ They lived and reigned with Messiah for one thousand years.

⁴¹ Heb 8:8-12, Heb 10:15-17

⁴² As in the Peshitta, meaning that all who were killed for their faithfulness to God are included. The Greek instead (and incorrectly) has “*beheaded*”, restricting this group to only those who die from one unusual method of death.

⁴³ Literally ‘*on between their eyes*’, suggesting the mark might be visible as well as internal.

The Millennium of Peace, ushered in by the Day of Atonement will be a joyous time. The Millennium is the focus of the next Holy Day, the first day of the week-long Feast of Booths.

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