## **Messianic Restoration**

This Shabbat, the Shabbat before Tisha B'Av which begins Saturday evening August 2<sup>nd</sup> at sunset through Sunday August 3rd at sunset, is called Shabbat Chazon – the Shabbat of Prophecy, the Sabbath of the Vision' in Hebrew. The 'vision' refers to the weekly Prophet's portion which is taken from the opening chapter of the Book of Isaiah:

**Isaiah 1:1. (TLV)** The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah

Av is the fifth month of the Hebrew calendar which falls in July/August on the Gregorian calendar. The 9th of Av (Tish B'Av) is a traditional day of fasting and mourning by the Orthodox Jewish community in Israel due to the numerous, national catastrophic events that have occurred against Israel and our people through the span of History. The main focus of this day is the destruction of both Solomon's Temple and Herod's Temple accompanied by the expulsion and exile of our people from the Land into Diaspora. I desire to focus upon restoration instead!

Americas person of Prayer and Intercession Loue Engle commissioned us, He gave a divine mandate to the Messianic Movement, Messianic Rabbis back in 2018 at the Messiah Conference in one of the most profound messages I've ever heard. In His own words he resigned from the prayer ministry he founded "The Call" to specifically pray for the Messianic Community to rise to its destiny of leadership within the greater body. We are in a historical transformation in the greater Kingdom! I shared back in 2018 the Revelation 12 sign message was prophetically released with the passing of Rev. Billy Graham. America, throughout its history has always had national spiritual figure. Jonathan Edwards, George Whitfield, Charles Finney, Dwight Moody, Jeremiah Lanphier, William J. Seymour of Azuza Street to name a few! Billy Graham was the last. His work began in 1947-1948: connected to the rebirth of the state of Israel. In the year 1948 when Israel we reborn we experienced a wave of healing revival and evangelists: Oral Roberts, William Branham, Jack Coe, A. A. Allen, and Catherine Kuhlman to name a few!

Billy Graham's impacted upon America and the world peeked in the late 60's, early 70's when the charismatic, hippie Jesus' revolution and outpouring began. This outpouring was directly connected with the restoration of Jerusalem to Israel in June 1967. Those who are a little more mature remember what a tumultuous time this was in Americas history! Civil Riots, Civil rights movement, Dr Martin Luther King assassinated, Bobby Kennedy Assassinated, Anti-war protests, College Campuses in complete Anarchy, Kent State shooting of students by the U.S. Troops, cities burning and rioting. America was literally coming apart at the seams, in those days it didn't look like we'd survive another decade and in the midst of this Adonai poured out His spirit, millions were saved

and the Modern Messianic Movement exploded! Now our national figure is a Messianic Jew, Jonathan Cahn...

Where am I going with this. When Israel has a physical fight, Adonai is with them, and a supernatural spiritual portal is opened from which the greater body of Messiah is blessed. This current conflict is Israels longest, which means an even greater outpouring which will be directly involved in the salvation of all Israel. It's also why we, the modern Messianic movement is here.

This war Israel fights today is their fiercest and has spilled across the Earth as radical antisemitism is spreading and violent anti-Israel protests are occurring in the streets of many major cities. Watch and beware, Adonai is with Israel, with our Jewish people.

We can expect more and more miracles for Israel and the entire Earth. Spirits of antisemitism will be put to flight. God's glory is coming forth as never before in all history. There will be signs, wonders, miracles of healings, with a war won well. Shalom is coming!

**Hosea 6:1-2.** Come, let us return to Adonai; for he has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck, and he will bind our wounds. <sup>2</sup> After two days, he will revive us; on the third day, he will raise us up; and we will live in his presence.

This is a Messianic prophecy regarding Yeshua who died and rose from death on the third day! It's also prophetic as it speaks directly to Israel, I believe specifically to Messianic Israel! As Jews, even as Messianic Jews we've had a hard lot in the last two Thousand years (remember - a day in heaven is as a thousand years here on earth so two days in heaven is 2,000 years on the earth as II Peter 3:8 reveals). As a people we've been exiled, oppressed, persecuted, suffered crusades, inquisitions, pogroms, holocausts.....As Sha'ul, Paul sated in II Corinthians 4 "We have all kinds of troubles, but we are not crushed; we are perplexed, yet not in despair; persecuted, yet not abandoned; knocked down, yet not destroyed."

Hosea prophesized this. And now Adonai is healing, restoring, binding up our wounds! Our time as a people and nation of refining, of pruning are over. We're now living in the third day! He is raising us up to live in His presence today, the third day! We're being restored and raised up into our place of destiny to bring revival, salvation to our people Israel and to lead the body of Messiah into the millennial reign and live in His presence!

**Isaiah 49:6.** he has said, "It is not enough that you are merely my servant to raise up the tribes of Ya'akov and restore the offspring of Isra'el. I will also make you a light to the nations, so my salvation can spread to the ends of the earth."

As a Messianic Congregation, here in Virginia, as Messianic Believers in the Kingdom of God it is our destiny to rise up, to lead not just our community, to

bring true biblical leadership and restoration back to the Gentile church, as the sons and daughters of Tzadok, of righteousness, we are moving in to our prophetic destiny to lead the body of Messiah into the Messianic Age as Isaiah prophesied almost 3,000 years ago! Why is it so critical that it be Messianic? Jonathan Maracle powerfully spoke to this several weeks ago when He was with us. What group is the most missioned group in the world? The Indigenous, Native Americans. They've had more missionaries sent to them than any other people group! Yet less then 5% of them are truly believers and follow Adonai. Why? This is a critical message for the church and Christianity.

The Natives are told that can receive Jesus but they must talk and dress like the white missionaries, they must eat their food, style their hair like them, and use only their instruments for worship. They may do all this but the issue is when they look in the mirror they are native. The Gospel stands on its own and when presented in its original Jewish cultural context all may receive salvation through Messiah Yeshua! As King Solomon prayed in:

**I Kings 8:41-43.** "Also the foreigner who does not belong to your people Isra'el - when he comes from a distant country because of your reputation <sup>42</sup> (for they will hear of your great reputation, your mighty hand and your outstretched arm), when he comes and prays toward this house; <sup>43</sup> then hear in heaven where you live, and act in accordance with everything about which the foreigner is calling to you; so that all the peoples of the earth will know your name and fear you, as does your people Isra'el, and so that they will know that this house which I have built bears your name.

Nothing mentioned about cultural appropriation or conversion. Scriptural tenants are followed, the word tells us how to approach and worship Adonai. He cares about the process, not your skin color, clothes, or hair style. It's the same exact reason Christianity has failed to breakthrough with the indigenous people is why Jewish outreach has been mostly ineffective.

A few years ago, I led a Jewish woman to Yeshua! She'd previously had a local Baptist Pastor speak with her numerous times. She liked the man, he was young, charismatic, and according to her was handsome! He failed miserably, every time he talked with her, he stated his desire to convert her to Christianity! That turned her off! He said she couldn't be Jewish and receive Jesus! What scripture is that? I sat with her and she said: Go ahead, take you shot, preach, but just know I won't convert. I was born a Jew and I'll die a Jew! I shared Yeshua with her, I prayed with her as she received Him without converting. Theres no conversion in scripture, just a translation error.

Acts 15:3 (NKJ). And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion (Epistrophe: turning around, turning from Idols to God) of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

Not sure why they used conversion, and even so, it was Gentiles doing so to the God of Israel. Another poorly used example is Sha'ul, Paul. In:

Acts 13:9 (NKJ). Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,

After this verse, the KJV Translators never use Sha'ul, or Saul again and say its proof of Paul's conversion. The issue is Sha'ul didn't convert and the Greek still says Sha'ul. Paul was his Greek name, Sha'ul his Hebrew name! I have my Hebrew name and my English name! It's common. Sha'ul didn't lose his identity. He said in Phillipians 3 that he was circumcised on the eighth day, by birth belonging to the people of Isra'el, from the tribe of Binyamin, a Hebrew-speaker, with Hebrew-speaking parents, in regard to the Torah, a Pharisee. He confirmed this in:

**Acts 22:3.** "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city and trained at the feet of Gamli'el in every detail of the Torah of our forefathers. I was a zealot for God, as all of you are today.

I'm sharing this because it is time to press into the salvation of all Israel. Yeshua doesn't come back until the Jewish people say: Baruch HaBa B'Shem Adonai from Matthew 23:39. How will all Israel become saved?

**Romans 11:11.** "In that case, I say, isn't it that they have stumbled with the result that they have permanently fallen away?" Heaven forbid! Quite the contrary, it is by means of their stumbling that the deliverance has come to the Gentiles, in order to provoke them to jealousy.

Today is the day! Its time for the Gentiles to come into their destiny, to provoke Israel to jealousy! This is why the Gentiles are grafted in, to provoke Israel to jealousy to receive Yeshua! What is your church's program to fulfill this? I already know the answer! It's not being done! Once in a while a secular Jewish person will get saved in a Church but its limited! How will widespread Jewish salvations happen? By Gentiles living a biblical lifestyle! When you ask you Jewish doctor, dentist, or Laywer to come to your Passover Seder or Sukkot you'll get their attention. Preaching conversion to Jewish people won't work and its unbiblical.

The portals of heaven are wide open as this war continues to rage in Israel. We must surge into this time of revival. As a congregation we've valiantly striven over the last 25 years to: 1. Return to the Word. 2. To unify. 3. And to move in the Dunamis power of the Ruach HaKodesh, to move in Supernatural signs and wonders! As we continue to press into Adonai and mature in these three areas we must now begin the fourth and final phase. Through Biblical history we witness a power, profound predecessor to every radical, profound move and out pouring of God upon Humanity. Let's look at a few examples:

**Exodus 2:23-25.** Sometime during those many years the king of Egypt died, but the people of Isra'el still groaned under the yoke of slavery, and they cried out **(vayiz'aku:** 

to cry, cry out, call, call for help, to be assembled, be called together, be joined together and call upon Adonai communally, to proclaim, to call out to Adonai in intercession, to pray) and their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. <sup>24</sup> God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov. <sup>25</sup> God saw the people of Isra'el, and God acknowledged them.

This is a profound, significant kingdom principle. We'd been cruelly and oppressively enslaved in Egypt for over 200 years. Adonai didn't recognize, acknowledge, or regard us until we began to collectively, as the Kehillah, communally, as one begin cry out to Him in intercession, in pleading, in brokenness upon Adonai for help, for redemption, For His will to come to pass! He made Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob a covenant promise but it wouldn't come about until we earnestly began to seek Him in prayer and call out to Him! And when we did He acknowledged us, He recognized, regarded, and perceived us and the situation we were in where upon He raised up Moshe and the Pesach Story is History! We are freed, redeemed, and given Torah at Mt Sinai 50 days after Pesach but only after intense, prayer, groaning, and crying out to him! We another such example that's also connected to a 70 year period of exile:

**Daniel 9:1-3**. In the first year of Daryavesh (Darius-Cyrus)) the son of Achashverosh, a Mede by birth who was made king over the kingdom of the Kasdim - <sup>2</sup> in the first year of his reign, I, Dani'el, was reading the Scriptures and thinking about the number of years which ADONAI had told Yirmeyah the prophet would be the period of Yerushalayim's desolation, seventy years. <sup>3</sup> I turned to Adonai, God, to seek an answer, pleading with him in prayer, with fasting, sackcloth and ashes.

Daniel was able to discern the epoch of time he was in, He knew he was in a radical paradigm shift in history. Israel was in exile, diaspora, removed from our ancestral promise land because of disobedience to Adonai, because of Idolatry, adultery, oppressing the poor and needy, killing the prophets, and passing our children through the fires of Molekh (abortion). Daniel was aware of the time period he lived in and knew what to do about it. He investigated it in the word and did what? He immediately set about "pleading with him in prayer, with fasting, sackcloth and ashes.". Daniel profoundly, poetically begins repenting for the sins of His forefathers and the nation. Just like the pleadings and groanings by the people in Exodus 2 Adonai Shema, He heard! Not only is Daniel told that Judah will be restored back to the land, he is shown by Adonai that it's the set up for the coming of Mashiach, for the anointed one to come after Jerusalem and the Temple are restored!

**Daniel 9:25-26.** Know, therefore, and discern that seven weeks [of years] will elapse between the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Yerushalayim until an anointed prince comes. It will remain built for sixty-two weeks [of years], with open spaces and moats; but these will be troubled times. <sup>26</sup> Then, after the sixty-two weeks, Mashiach will be cut off and have nothing. The people of a prince yet to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary, but his end will come with a flood, and desolations are decreed until the war is over.

The return from exile, the restoration of Jerusalem and the Temple, and the first coming of Messiah didn't occur until a time of prayer and crying out to Adonai....are you beginning to see a pattern here? Let's look at Yeshua Himself. Matthew records His genealogy, His life being saved by an Angel commanding Yoseph to take his family to Egypt for a time and season. Then King Herod dies, and another angel appears and tells Joseph to take his family home to Nazareth vice Bethlehem because of Herod's replacement. Matthew 3 records Yochanan the Immerser at the Jordon performing Mikveh's, preparing the way for the coming Messiah! Now an adult Yeshua came to him to be immersed, mikveh'd. Immediately after Yeshua's Mikveh in:

**Matthew 4:1-2**. Then the Spirit led Yeshua up into the wilderness to be tempted by the Adversary. <sup>2</sup> After Yeshua had fasted forty days and nights, he was hungry.

Before He began His radical world changing commission from Adonai, Yeshua Himself fasted, He prayed for forty days in the wilderness! THEN the signs and wonders began! Just like Daniel, it was after a period of fasting and prayer that the supernatural began! Then the resurrected Yeshua in Acts 1 told His talmidim to go to Jerusalem to wait in the upper room to receive POWER through the outpouring of the Ruach HaKodesh. They complied in submission and obedience:

Acts 1:13-14. After entering the city, they went to the upstairs room where they were staying. The names of the emissaries were Kefa, Ya'akov, Yochanan, Andrew, Philip, T'oma, Bar-Talmai, Mattityahu, Ya'akov Ben-Halfai, Shim'on "the Zealot," and Y'hudah Ben-Ya'akov. <sup>14</sup> These all devoted themselves single-mindedly (homothumadon {homoth-oo-mad-on'}: assembled together with one mind, with one accord, with one fierce passion) to prayer, along with some women, including Miryam (Yeshua's mother), and his brothers.

They're not up there texting, watching TV, Streaming Netflix, playing video games, playing cards, or posting on Instagram..... They're Echad assembled together as the Kehillah, ecclesia, fiercely, passionately DEVOTED to prayer! For days, even weeks there up in that room for one purpose. Seeking this power, this Ruach Yeshua promised them. As they pressed in:

Acts 2:1-3. The festival of Shavu'ot arrived, and the believers all gathered together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly there came a sound from the sky like the roar of a violent wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire, which separated and came to rest on each one of them.

So here we are at another juncture in History, I believe that last epoch that will see Yeshua's return which is hindered according to Acts 3 until the restoration of all things. The restoration of Messianic Leadership, the revival of Israel, a worldwide outpouring that Yeshua prayed for in John 17 and Sha'ul, Paul states in Romans 11 "Life from the dead". Its not going to just fall on us. We MUST lay into this in prayer, and not just the Messianic Community, but the entire body!

We must lay siege to heaven, the Watchman must neither slumber nor sleep until He restores Jerusalem as a praise upon the earth, until Adonai in Heaven Shema's, hears our prayers, our groaning, and crying and acknowledges us. We must lay into our heart scripture:

**Isaiah 62:1.** For Tziyon's sake I will not be silent, for Yerushalayim's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out brightly and her salvation like a blazing torch.

We must do as our master did and as He commanded us. We must follow biblical protocol and biblical pattern. Marks account of Yeshua's 40 period of fasting states:

Mark 1:12-13. Immediately the Spirit drove (ekballo {ek-bal'-lo}: drive, force, impulse, hurl forth, eject, a force overcoming opposite forces, a forceful, violent movement) him out into the wilderness, <sup>13</sup> and he was in the wilderness forty days being tempted by the Adversary. He was with the wild animals, and the angels took care of him.

Kingdom transitions require force. We weren't released from Slavery until after the horrific plaques. We didn't return from exile easily, it required force, as Nehemiah reveals a brick in one hand and a sword in the other. And Yeshua Himself was ekballo, driven, impulsed into the wilderness where He was tempted while the Angels took care of Him! Yeshua said in Matthew 11:12 that since the "time of Yochanan the Immerser the Kingdom of God suffers violence and the violent take it by force!" Ekballo, with force, with impulse, with fierce passion we gathered in one accord with singleness of Mind and prayer for the outpouring of the Ruach while the portals of heaven are open! And so we must also do the same today.

Matthew 9:35-38. Yeshua went about all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and weakness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were harried and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his talmidim, "The harvest is rich, but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out (ekballo {ek-bal'-lo}: drive, force, impulse, hurl forth, eject, a force overcoming opposite forces, a forceful, violent movement) workers to gather in his harvest."

Its time tonight, right now for the Messianic Community, just like those 120 Messianic Jews in the upper room, too forcefully, passionately, impulse, interject ourselves into our prophetic destiny, to shift history, to pray in the largest apostolic move of God ever recorded. It's the John 17 moment, that the "World will know". Yeshua's words in Matthew 9 isn't a suggestion, its fiery command. Yeshua is commanding us to hurl ourselves with force into this, to overcome opposing forces, to see the salvation of Israel! To pray ekballo to drive, to force, to shift history so that Adonai will Shema, hear, acknowledge us in heaven. This is a long term, systematic pressing in! Like Daniel in Babylon, Like Yeshua in the wilderness, like those 120 Messianic Jews in that upper room!

And what are we praying for? The salvation of all Israel, for the Gentile church to mature and know who they are grafted into, to provoke Israel to jealousy. Yeshua said HE came for the lost sheep of the house of Israel, Sha'ul stated in Romans 1:16 to the Jew first, were praying for the release of the One New Man of Ephesians 2, for the removal of the separation between Jew and Gentile which will release the greatest apostolic, history changing, world changing, transformational outpouring of Gods spirit and presence ever recorded in human History. Yeshua commanded us to Beg Adonai for this, to passionately, fiercely, forcefully fast and pray! I'm starting every Friday and asking you to join me! And were not stopping until it happens! Until his presence is so strong all we can do is lay prostrate before him like the priests at the dedication of Solomon's Temple! Until is presence is so strong it looks like were on fire! Until the dead are raise like Elijah, Elisha, and Yeshua! Until the supernatural become part of natural daily life!