

Jesus Taught Torah!

Yeshua *the* **Stone** *the*
Builders **Rejected**

Mark 12 When the Jerusalem leadership
welcomes Jesus, he will return!

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THE VINEDRESSERS WHO REJECT THE MASTER

- Then He began to speak to them in parables: "A man planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a place for the wine vat and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. (Mark 12:1) "Now at vintage-time he sent a servant to the vinedressers, that he might receive some of the fruit of the vineyard from the vinedressers. (Mark 12:2) "And they took him and beat him and sent him away empty-handed. (Mark 12:3) "Again he sent them another servant, and at him they threw stones, wounded him in the head, and sent him away shamefully treated. (Mark 12:4) "And again he sent another, and him they killed; and many others, beating some and killing some. (Mark 12:5) "Therefore still having one son, his beloved, he also sent him to them last, saying, 'They will respect my son.' (Mark 12:6) "But those vinedressers said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' (Mark 12:7) "So they took him and killed him and cast him out of the vineyard. (Mark 12:8) "Therefore what will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the vinedressers, and give the vineyard to others. (Mark 12:9)

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THE REJECTED STONE BECOMES THE CORNERSTONE

- “Have you not even read this Scripture: ‘The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. (Mark 12:10) This was the LORD’s doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes?’ ” (Mark 12:11) And they sought to lay hands on Him, but feared the multitude, for they knew He had spoken the parable against them. So they left Him and went away. (Mark 12:12) Then they sent to Him some of the Pharisees and the Herodians, to catch Him in *His* words. **(Mark 12:13)**
- ...Save now, I pray, [Hoshanna - **ישע**] O LORD; Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! (Ps 118:25-26)
- “But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites. (Matt 23:13) “for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ ” (Matt 23:39)

3

THE LEADERSHIP MUST WELCOME YESHUA IN THE NAME OF YHWH

- “Judah...Your hand *shall be* on the neck of your enemies; Your father’s children shall bow down before you. **(Gen 49:8)**
- The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him *shall be* the obedience of the people. (Gen 49:10)
- Judah *is* My lawgiver. (Ps 60:7)
- yet Judah prevailed over his brothers, and from him *came* a ruler, **(1Chr 5:2)**
- For the leaders of this people *cause them* to err, And *those who are* led by them are destroyed. **(Isa 9:16)**
- Then the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered a council and said, “What shall we do? For this Man works many signs. “If we let Him alone like this, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and nation.” (John 11:46-48)
- But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. (John 12:10-11)

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THE LEADERSHIP CONTINUED TO REJECT THE EVIDENCE OF YESHUA'S MIGHTY DEEDS AND THE WITNESSES OF HIS RESURRECTION

- So when Peter saw *it*, he responded to the people: “Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? “The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus...you denied the Holy One...and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. (Acts 3:12-15)
- “Yet now, brethren, I know that you did *it* in **ignorance**, *as did also your rulers*. “(Acts 3:17) “**Repent** therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, “and **that He may send Jesus Christ**, who was preached to you before, (Acts 3:19-20)

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JERUSALEM LEADERS: WELCOME YESHUA: HE WILL COME

- NET Bible Acts 3:19 syntactical notes: “*Times of refreshing*. The phrase implies relief from difficult, distressful or burdensome circumstances. It is generally regarded as a reference to the **messianic age being ushered in.**”
- NET Bible renders the Greek with “so that,” indicating a cause and effect. If you (and your leaders) do this, then X will happen.
- Therefore repent and turn back **so that** your sins may be wiped out, **so that** times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and **so that** he may send the appointed for you – that is, Jesus. (Acts 3:19-20 NET2)
- If the national leadership in Jerusalem repented, God the Father would send Jesus.
- 3:20 "He may send Jesus" This is an aorist active subjunctive, which denotes an element of **contingency**. The actions of Peter's hearers, in some sense, determined the **time of spiritual consummation** (cf. F. F. Bruce, Answers to Questions, where he links Acts 3:19-21 with Rom. 11:25-27, p. 201). Acts 3:17-26 (You Can Understand the Bible: Study Guide Commentary Series by Dr. Bob Utley)

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PETER: NATIONAL RESTORATION WILL NOT HAPPEN UNTIL YOU “BUILDERS” OFFICIALLY WELCOME YESHUA

- Peter echoes Yeshua’s prophecy, “you shall see Me no more till you say...” telling them that if the Jerusalem leadership welcome him in the name of the Lord, then a time of relief would come *and* Yeshua would come. He underscores this with “**You must obey him in everything he tells you,**” in Acts 3:22.
- While there could be individual forgiveness of sin, the national restoration could not happen until the national leaders made an official decree. Until such time, “heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things,” (Acts 3:22). As Peter was preaching the leaders attempted to squash the message.
- Now as they spoke to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came upon them, **(Acts 4:1)** being greatly disturbed that they taught the people and preached in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. **(Acts 4:2)** And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. **(Acts 4:3)**

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NATIONAL RESTORATION COULD NOT HAPPEN UNTIL THE NATIONAL LEADERS MADE AN OFFICIAL DECREE

- on the next day... their rulers, elders, and scribes, **(Acts 4:5)** as well as Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the family of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. **(Acts 4:6)** ...they asked, “By what power or by what name have you done this?” **(Acts 4:7)** Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: **(Acts 4:8)** “let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. **(Acts 4:10)**
- “This is the ‘stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.’ **(Acts 4:11)** “Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” **(Acts 4:12)**
- The LORD ...has become my salvation [Yeshuah] **(Ps 118:14)** I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation [Yeshuah] **(Ps 118:21)**

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GREED BLINDED THE LEADERSHIP FROM CONFESSING YESHUA

- Rather than soften their hearts and reconsider the evidence, greed continued to drive them to reject the evidence even though they could not deny. Their pride caused them to reject the promised messiah!
- Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they derided Him. **(Luke 16:14)**
- And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. **(Acts 4:14)** But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, **(Acts 4:15)** saying, "What shall we do to these men? For, indeed, that a notable miracle has been done through them *is* evident to all who dwell in Jerusalem, and we cannot deny *it*. **(Acts 4:16)** "But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name." **(Acts 4:17)**

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WHEN WILL THEY WELCOME YESHUA? IN TRIBULATION.

- For I *will be* like a lion to Ephraim, And like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, *even I*, will tear *them* and go away; I will take *them* away, and no one shall rescue. **(Hos 5:14)** I will return again to My place Till they acknowledge their offense. Then they will seek My face; *In their affliction* [tribulation צרה], they will earnestly seek Me." **(Hos 5:15)**
- Alas! For that day is great...the time of Jacob's trouble [tribulation צרה], But he shall be saved out of it. (Jer 30:7)
- "For then there will be *great tribulation*, such as has not been since the beginning of the world *until this time*, no, nor ever shall be. **(Matt 24:21)** "And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for [δια δε τους] the elect's sake those days will be shortened. **(Matt 24:22)**
 - Dia + accusative: the reason why someth. happens, results, exists: because of, for the sake of (BDAG)
- i.e. **the elect cause the shortening of the days.**
- "for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!"" (Matt 23:39)

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GIVE CAESAR WHAT IS HIS

- Then they sent to Him some of the Pharisees and the Herodians, to catch Him in His words. (Mark 12:13) When they had come, they said to Him, "Teacher, we know that You are true, and care about no one; for You do not regard the person of men, but teach the way of God in truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not? (Mark 12:14) "Shall we pay, or shall we not pay?" But He, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, "Why do you test Me? Bring Me a denarius that I may see it." (Mark 12:15) So they brought it. And He said to them, "Whose image and inscription is this?" They said to Him, "Caesar's." (Mark 12:16) And Jesus answered and said to them, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." And they marveled at Him. (Mark 12:17)

11

THE SADDUCEES AND THE RESURRECTION

- Then some Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Him; and they asked Him, saying: (Mark 12:18) "Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies, and leaves his wife behind, and leaves no children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother. (Mark 12:19) "Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife; and dying, he left no offspring. (Mark 12:20) "And the second took her, and he died; nor did he leave any offspring. And the third likewise. (Mark 12:21) "So the seven had her and left no offspring. Last of all the woman died also. (Mark 12:22) "Therefore, in the resurrection, when they rise, whose wife will she be? For all seven had her as wife." (Mark 12:23) Jesus answered and said to them, "Are you not therefore mistaken, because you do not know the Scriptures nor the power of God? (Mark 12:24)

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WE WILL BE LIKE ANGELS IN HEAVEN

- “For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. (Mark 12:25) “But concerning the dead, that they rise, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the burning bush passage, how God spoke to him, saying, ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’ ? (Mark 12:26) “He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living. You are therefore greatly mistaken.” (Mark 12:27)
- “But those who are counted worthy to attain that age...(Luke 20:35) “nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. (Luke 20:36)
- Those who are **wise shall shine** [LXX: *eklampō eklámpō*] like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the **stars** forever and ever. (Dan 12:3)
- the righteous will shine forth as the sun... (Matt 13:43)

13

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT? LOVE GOD & NEIGHBOR!

- Then one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, perceiving that He had answered them well, asked Him, “Which is the first commandment of all?” (Mark 12:28) Jesus answered him, “The first of all the commandments is: ‘Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. (Mark 12:29) ‘And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ This is the first commandment. (Mark 12:30) “And the second, like it, is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” (Mark 12:31)
- “And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, (Deut 10:12)

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NOT FAR FROM THE KINGDOM OF GOD

- So the scribe said to Him, “Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He. (Mark 12:32) “And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one’s neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (Mark 12:33) Now when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, He said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” But after that no one dared question Him. (Mark 12:34)

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HOW IS HE THEN HIS SON?

- Then Jesus answered and said, while He taught in the temple, “How is it that the scribes say that the Christ is the Son of David? (Mark 12:35) “For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: ‘The LORD [יְהוָה] said to my Lord [לַאֲדֹנָי], “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.” ’ (Mark 12:36) “Therefore David himself calls Him ‘Lord’; how is He then his Son?” And the common people heard Him gladly. (Mark 12:37)

16

THE WIDOW GAVE EVERYTHING (TAKE UP YOUR CROSS)

- Then He said to them in His teaching, “Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, love greetings in the marketplaces, (Mark 12:38) “the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts, (Mark 12:39) “who devour widows’ houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation.” (Mark 12:40)
- Now Jesus sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. And many who were rich put in much. (Mark 12:41) Then one poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make a quadrans. (Mark 12:42) So He called His disciples to Himself and said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; (Mark 12:43) “for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood.” (Mark 12:44)

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AARONIC BLESSING

יְבָרֶכְךָ יְהוָה
 וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ:
 יֵאָר יְהוָה פָּנָיו
 אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּחַנֶּךָ:
 יִשָּׂא יְהוָה פָּנָיו
 אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ
 שְׁלוֹם:

“The LORD will bless you
 and keep you;
 The LORD will make His face
 shine upon you, And will be
 gracious to you; The LORD
 will lift up His countenance
 upon you, and will give you
 peace.” Num 6:24-26

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