

Reading Moses...Finding Jesus... Torah Portion 1 part 2 - Meeting 5/17/26

Luke 24:27 “Then Jesus took them through **the writings of Moses** and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.”

Next Two meetings: June 14th @ 5pm; July 12th @5pm

Portion 1 (part 2) - **B'reisheet “In the beginning” Genesis 1:1-6:8**

God desires to be in close fellowship with us

Last in action = First in thought ...that means all of creation happened with us in mind.

Adam and Eve – Two trees in the Garden:

- 1. Tree of the knowledge of good and evil**
- 2. Tree of Life**

We see the enemy's tactic in the question – **“Did God really say?”**

Genesis 3:1-5 The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the Lord God had made. One day he asked the woman, **“Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?”** ²“Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,” the woman replied. ³“It's only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, ‘You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die.’” ⁴“You won't die!” the serpent replied to the woman. ⁵“God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil.”

- Did God really say?**
- Eve Defends God**
- satan says “God lied to you...”**

Genesis 3:6 The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too.

Genesis 3:12 The man replied, “It was the woman you gave me who gave me the fruit, and I ate it.”

3 distinct things that are still haunting mankind to this day....

1. We deserve more...something is being kept from us....
2. Passive Male not leading his family well spiritually
3. We blame others – Adam blamed Eve and he blamed God

How does God respond? He protects them by removing them from the garden.

Genesis 3:24 “And he placed a flaming sword that flashed back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.”

God’s desire to protect us from the eternal effects of our failures (through the Blood of Jesus!)

Matthew 18:21-22 ²¹ “Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?” ²² “No, not seven times,” Jesus replied, “but **seventy times seven!** ****should be 77 times****”

Jesus is referencing back to our Torah portion - B’reisheet

Genesis 4:23-24 ²³ One day Lamech said to his wives, “Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; listen to me, you wives of Lamech. I have killed a man who attacked me, a young man who wounded me. ²⁴ If someone who kills Cain is punished seven times, then the one who kills me will be punished **seventy-seven times!**”

Jesus was telling Peter that He wants us to forgive at the same intensity level that Lamech wants to punish - Jesus wants us to have **a passion to forgive!**

John 1:1-5 **In the beginning** the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He existed in the beginning with God. ³ God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. ⁴ The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought **light** to everyone. ⁵ **The light** shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

In the beginning = B’reisheet

- Jesus is the Word – The Torah – The Word made Flesh – Jesus was with God – He is God – He is that Light....that shines in darkness...the Light that never goes out!

Genesis 1:3-5 Then God said, “Let there be **light**,” and there was **light**.⁴ And God saw that the **light** was good. Then he separated the **light** from the darkness.⁵ God called the **light** “day” and the darkness “night.” And evening passed and morning came, marking **the first day**.

Genesis 1:14-19 The sun is created on Day 4 - We had “THE LIGHT” before we had light as we know it!

Revelation 21:23 And the city has no need of sun or moon, for the glory of God illuminates the city, and the Lamb is its light.

Revelation 22:5 And there will be no night there—no need for lamps or sun—for the Lord God will shine on them. And they will reign forever and ever.

In John 1....Revelation 21....Revelation 22, John is simply interpreting Genesis 1:3 for us!! IT’S JESUS!!

Isaiah 46:10 (CJB) – “At the beginning I announce the end, proclaim in advance things not yet done; and I say that my plan will hold, I will do everything I please to do.”

Revelation 21....Revelation 22 – a return to Genesis 1 - The Light was there in B’reisheet...It was concealed for a time..at the end, we return to the beginning

That original GOOD LIGHT will be revealed again! IT’S JESUS!!!!

John 8:12 (CJB) - Yeshua spoke to them again: “I am the **light** of the world; whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have **the light which gives life**.” Jesus is saying “I am that Light in B’reisheet!

Daniel 2:22 (CJB) - He reveals deep and secret things; he knows what lies in the darkness; and **light** dwells with him.

“Bo Yeshua Bo” – Come Jesus Come!!

first 3 verses of Genesis...B’reisheet...The Ruach Elohim (Spirit of God) is Jesus...The Light is Jesus...Jesus is the Word! Jesus is the Word made flesh!

Next month, June 14th, we’ll cover Noah...Noah...Gen 6:9-11:32

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