

Small Group Guide: God's Unbreakable Covenant with Israel

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Key Takeaways:

1. God's covenant with Israel is unbreakable, and He has not rejected His people.
2. Salvation is about being transformed in the present to make a difference in the world.
3. The goal of Torah is to point people to Messiah Yeshua.
4. God's plan includes drawing Gentiles to Himself, which will ultimately provoke Israel to jealousy and bring them back to Him.

Discussion Questions:

1. The message mentions that "salvation is about what God does through us." How does this perspective change your understanding of salvation? How might it impact your daily life?
2. Paul speaks of Israel having "a zeal for God, but not based on knowledge." Can you think of examples in your own life or in modern Christianity where zeal might be misplaced? How can we ensure our zeal is grounded in proper understanding?
3. The sermon discusses the difference between "stumbling" and "falling" in relation to Israel. How does this distinction affect your view of God's ongoing relationship with Israel?
4. How does understanding the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) enhance our comprehension of God's plan of redemption through Yeshua?
5. The sermon mentions that following God's commandments "is not hard." Do you agree or disagree? What makes obedience to God easy or difficult in your experience?
6. How does the idea of God choosing Israel and Jerusalem challenge or affirm your understanding of God's sovereignty?

Practical Applications:

1. Spend time this week reflecting on how you can be a "light to the nations." What specific actions can you take to reflect Yeshua to those around you?
2. Study a passage from the Torah (first five books of the Bible) and consider how it points to Messiah Yeshua. Share your insights with the group next time.
3. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and for both Jewish people and Gentiles to recognize Yeshua as Messiah.
4. Examine your own life for areas where you might have "misplaced zeal." Ask God to align your passions with His purposes.
5. Look for opportunities to learn more about God's ongoing relationship with Israel. Consider reading books or attending seminars on the topic.