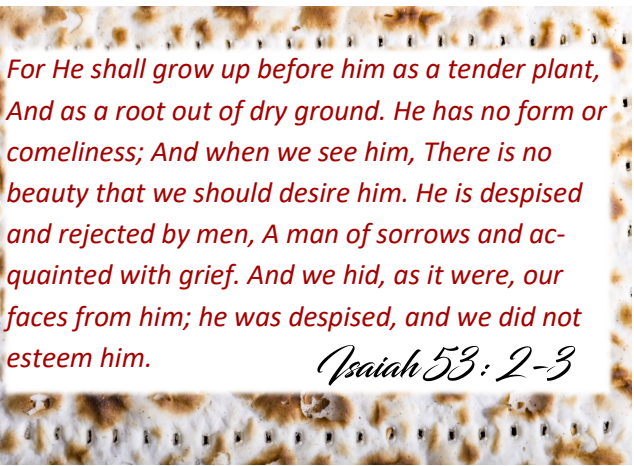


# YESHUA, THE REJECTED LAMB

The Messiah Yeshua (Jesus), the true Lamb of G-d has been rejected by the majority. This is no surprise. His message was rejected just like the messages which were given by the majority of the Jewish prophets. See Isaiah 53:1

***"Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the L-RD been revealed?"***

As you continue reading the passage from the prophet Isaiah, who do you think this sounds like?



*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. 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.*

*Isaiah 53: 2-3*

## HIS RETURN

This is how the Hebrew Bible describes Messiah's first coming, as despised and rejected, yet willing to receive the stripes (death) to bear our sins. This he has accomplished. But the same Messiah Yeshua, the Lamb of G-d, will return to restore peace to this world. This is how the prophet Zechariah describes the Messiah's second coming: ***"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced."*** Zechariah 12:10.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Passover comes at the beginning of each new year (Nisan) to remind us of how important the message of Passover is. **Exodus 12:2** says ***"This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you."*** It is the story of our national (Jewish) and personal redemption.

## Passover in a nutshell

The first lamb was slain to deliver Israel from physical bondage. But what would the Servant sent by G-d, the Second Lamb do for us?



Would you like to know more about the



in connection to our relationship with Adonai?  
We are a Messianic congregation which loves and respects the Scriptures. We believe that Yeshua, Jesus is the Messiah. His life and works reveal many of the prophecies from the Tanakh.

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# חג פסח שמח Passover



***For the L-RD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the L-RD will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.***

***Exodus 12:23***



# PASSOVER

## A TALE OF TWO LAMBS

Pesach (Passover) tells the story of G-d's love and faithfulness and how He redeemed the nation of Israel through a mighty and outstretched arm. He saved the first born sons from death when He passed over the homes which had the blood of a lamb applied to its doorpost.

## DID YOU SAY BLOOD?

With the Temple destroyed over 2000 years ago who would, in this day, ever think of blood as having anything to do with the protection of a nation? But see what it says in the Hebrew Bible (Tanakh) in Exodus 12:13 :

***And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.*** The blood of the lamb was placed on the doorposts and lintel of the home to provide a safeguard for the first-born males from the angel of death. G-d says that when He sees the blood the destroyer would *pass over* those homes. The blood became a sign and a pledge to Israel for their deliverance, as a nation, from the destroyer.

## A KAPARAH FOR LIFE

While the blood of the lamb physically saved the first-born males, does it deliver spiritual protection at present? Does the Hebrew Bible make a tie between spiritual matters and the blood of sacrifices?

In the Torah portion of the Tanakh, in the Book of Vayikra (Leviticus) Adonai clearly points out the purpose for the blood:

***For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.*** Vayikra (Leviticus) 17:11

## WHY WE NEED A KAPARAH

Breaking the laws of any country would require some form of payment or punishment. When it comes to breaking G-d's law, we are also accountable. How did G-d react when the first two people He created sinned against Him? He did not accept the guilt offering of a fig leaf cover-up. Instead He Himself provided a covering (atonement / kaparah) using animal skins He gave Adam and Eve (Genesis 3:21). The Bible is clear in its requirement that blood must be shed to atone for sin and to maintain fellowship with G-d. Perhaps this is the best way to help us realize how offensive sin is to G-d; the life of an animal needed to be taken to provide that kaparah or covering for us.



## G-D'S SOLUTION

*Though your sins are like scarlet  
I will make you white as snow.*

Isaiah 1:18

The Hebrew Bible describes such a one who could actually pay the sin's penalty for us, on our behalf. He can do so because he was the sinless and unblemished kaparah sent by G-d Himself. The cleansing and atoning ability of this servant is so clearly described for us in a very powerful passage in the Tanakh.

To Whom is the Tanakh Referring?

## BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED

***Isaiah 53:4-5 says, "Surely He has borne our grief and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by G-d, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes (death) we are healed".***