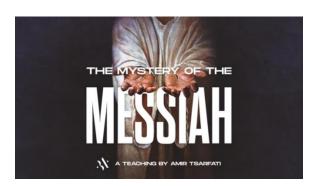


Amir Tsarfati The Mystery of the Messiah

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The Mystery of the Messiah. You see, it's one of those messages that I enjoy teaching as a Jew. Why? Because it's a humbling thing. There's so many of us Jewish people that once we come



to the Messiah, we think that now we need to teach the Gentiles because we are Jews, and they are Gentiles, and they really don't know much about God and the Word of God because they're Gentiles. So, we need to go and teach them that they need to

do this, and this, and this, and this, and they need to know always that—[proudly] "We are Jews." [Laughter] And every time I see that it makes me so angry, makes me so angry because if there is one thing I can get from this whole Book [Amir lifts his Bible] about the Jews is: failure. We fail God all the time, yet He's still there, never ever forsook His people. So now it makes me humble to come as a Jew, who comes from a nation that failed God for the most part, but yet a nation that God used, chose and used, to bring forth so many amazing things.

And it's amazing to me to think about Paul, 2,000 years ago, a zealous Orthodox Jew who wanted to kill Christians. He spread havoc the Bible says—used that word— I mean, people were afraid of him. And one day he realized, "Everything I've learned, everything I thought I knew, everything I studied, all the great knowledge of the rabbis and the sages, everything is just like rubbish compared to the knowledge of the Messiah." But as a Jew, he realized he needs first to take the message to the? Jews. Because the Bible says to the Jew, what? First. "Oh, I don't like that." That's a verse in the Bible; deal with that. To the Jew first is the blessing and to the Jew first is the curses. The Bible, in Romans 1, to the Jew first is about the gospel, but in Romans 2 comes to curses also. In other words, to the Jew first is not because they are better; it's the order in which God is progressing. But God is not just the God of the Jews that cares only about the Jews in Israel. You

must understand that the Gentiles are not secondhand, and they're not second option, you are not



plan B; this has never been the case. It's just that the Gentiles never thought that they need to worship one God. That's why they had so many. And then one thing that the Jews are holding against you now is that even as Christians, "You still worship three Gods. Trinity." Last time I checked, the three are what? One. Hello?

By the way, mystery is not something foreign in Scriptures, but mystery is not a secret. A secret is something that is not known, something that you cannot see or feel; it's something that once you find out what it is, it's new, boom, never heard never seen it. But mystery is something not hidden, it's just something that transforms from a shadow to a substance, from something that you thought applies only to this to "Now I understand the full picture; now I get it, now, okay, it



all makes sense." That is a Greek word that Paul was using called *mustérion* and that word appears 28 times in the New Testament, which means the New Testament is a great way to have a wonderful revelation of things that God already mentioned so

many times before; but people didn't really get it until that light of revelation came, and they finally get it.

And there's some very famous mysteries in Scriptures such as Romans 11:25–27. The plan of God for Israel is a mystery. The plan of God for Israel in the future, most Christians don't even get it, let alone the Jew. "25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this..." What? "mystery, lest you should be..." What? "wise in your own opinion,..." You see, when you are ignorant of the mysteries of God, when you don't understand the true revelation, of

the true meaning of it, you become wise in your own opinion. He says: "25 ...lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel..." That means not all Israel were blind. Paul said, Hello, I'm a Jew. Blindness in part, not all of them, most of them. But then he says, "25 ...until..." See the word until? That means, Israel was blinded for a reason and for a season. There's an expiration date. That means God blinded them—obviously because they rejected Him—but He blinded them *until*. See the word, until? Until what? "25 ...until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in." In other words, there was something God had to do with the Gentiles. So, He blinded the Jews, opened the door, and worked through the Gentiles. And when the fullness of the Gentiles has come in, He's going to go back to the Jews, lift up that veil and then the Bible says: "26 ... all Israel will be saved, as it is written:..." in the book of Isaiah, "The Deliverer will come out of Zion, and He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob; ²⁷ For this is My covenant..." By the way, the Deliverer will come out of what? Hello? Okay, you've got to be more vocal than this. [Laughter] All right, okay? The Deliverer will come out of? [Audience: "Zion" It's not the Zion Park in Utah, or wherever it is. The Deliverer will come out of Zion. This is another name for the nation of Israel. Okay, clear? Good. Because to be a Zionist is not a bad thing. It's to believe that the land of Israel belongs to the people of Israel. That's all it is. You can be a Gentile and still a Zionist. The world tries to convince you that it's a bad word, Zionist! You know who calls the Zionist? It's all the terrorists. "We are going to kill the Zionist!" I'm proud that they call me a Zionist. I wish they knew what it means. "26... 'The Deliverer will come out of Zion,..." Hello? "26 ... 'and He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;..." the nation of Israel, "27... 'For this is My covenant with them, when I take away their sins.'" You cannot come and get saved when sin is still on the way. You have to understand that you are a sinner, you have to repent of your sin, and that is the moment your sins are being taken from you, when you

acknowledge what has been done, what has been paid, what has been achieved for the sake of your sins to be forgiven. And those sins will be taken away of the whole nation of Israel at the moment He will return back, and they see the One whom they pierced as Zechariah chapter 12 says.

In Colossians 2:1–3 the mystery of the true Messiah: "¹ For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, ² that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of..."



What? "God,..." Now, who is God? "...both of the Father and of Christ, ³ in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Wow. It's a mystery! This is why when Christ says, "Me and the Father, we're one," the Jews couldn't get

it! It's a mystery. What are you talking about, Willis? [American TV joke] I mean, "You're here and the Father where? Let's kill you."

Ephesians 5:31-32, the church and Christ, another mystery: "31 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church." He is going



to be the husband, and she's going to be the wife.

That's the amazing thing. That's the amazing picture that we have here.

1 Corinthians 15, the mystery of the soon rapture. Hello! It's a mystery even Christians—

Listen, most Christians, most people who call themselves Christians don't believe in the rapture. Oh, yeah. You tell them rapture; they laugh at you. You fly? What? "Okay, wait a minute, Jesus



waited for a 747 jet to take Him up." Hello? And you look at 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 and you see: "51 Behold, I tell you..." What? "a mystery: We shall not all sleep,..." I'm not talking about you sleeping now, I see some of you, not that. I'm

talking about—The Bible says that when a believer is dead, he's asleep. He's not really dead because what happens when we are gone? To be absent from the body is to be, what? Present with the Lord! The second a believer dies, what happens to him? His body is still here. You're still carrying a body to the grave, and you cry, and you mourn and he's having the time of his life up there. He's with Jesus! And you're crying and you're crying, "I miss you." And he says, "I don't miss you." [Laughter]. He's up there. Do you really think for a second, we're going to miss anything on earth when we get to Jesus? Of course not! That's why the Bible says not all of us will sleep but all of us shall be changed. In other words, if the rapture happens, let's say, a week from today, all right? And during that week, some of you will die, ha-ha, I'm a man of great encouragement today. Okay. But I'm just saying that means, that's why it means not all of us are going to sleep, some of us will see the rapture while we're still alive, some of us will die during this week. I don't know. I'm just saying. But it doesn't matter if you are dead or you're alive because all of us cannot enter into the kingdom with this body. Look at you. It's disgusting. [Laughter] This body cannot inherit the kingdom of God. Even if you are a GQ model you will not have this body inherit the kingdom of God; it's a sinful flesh. Okay? In order for you to inherit the kingdom of God, you must be what? Changed. And how? Changed how? In a twinkling of an eye,

you're going to wear incorruption. Your body which is described in the Bible as a tent has to become a building. You're described as lowly; it will be glorified. And in a moment, *boom*, you get a new body and the new body, the law of physics does not apply to it, and poof! You're gone. So, "52 ...For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we..." those that are not dead, "shall be changed." All your diet was for nothing. [Laughter].

2 Thessalonians 2:7, the mystery of lawlessness. "⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work;..." The lawlessness that we see now it's—You know, everybody thinks, "Oh there's the lawlessness now, people are breaking into stores, and people are doing this, and people are doing..." Let me tell you something, the lawlessness now will become the law in the near future. Okay? If now we are so appalled when we see beheading or we look at ISIS, "Oh, look at them, they behead people." Well, what does the Bible say about the end times? What happens to someone



who is not following the Antichrist? [Cutting sound and beheading motion] And that's the rule. That's the law. That's the practice of the government, not a terrorist organization. But that mystery of lawlessness is already at work. The

mystery of lawlessness is at work, this whole thing is working all around, we can see how the world is being brainwashed, but we're still here, we're still salt, we're still the light, we're the restrainer, the Holy Spirit in us is causing all that process to slow down. But the minute that Restrainer will be taken out of the way, taken out of the way, it's another beautiful description of what? The Rapture. Then what? Then, the man of sin will come out.

The mysteries are not mysteries to God; they're mysteries to man, to us. God knows all things. He's a way above us. That's why Isaiah 55:8-9: "8 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. 9 For as the heavens are higher than



and My thoughts than your thoughts." So, anyone who suggests that he is God, which is the new trend now, "We're God." God is laughing. My thoughts are way higher than yours. What are you

talking about? Look at you. It's pathetic. 1 John 3:18–20: "¹⁸ My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth. ¹⁹ And by this we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him. ²⁰ For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things." He is much greater than anything that you can even imagine, even your own heart. But what about the mystery? Mystery is something that God reveals in His timing, when He chooses, it is the right time. Ephesians 1:9-10: "⁹ ...having made known



to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰ that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times..." The "fullness of the times" means God decides when it is the right time. It is the fullness

of the times for God. "10 ...He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him."



Okay, so, what is the mystery of the Messiah? What is the thing that—because it is a mystery to the Jews and to the Gentiles. To the Jewish people, the mystery is this: Messiah is what? Coming from God, is God in the flesh but

He is not going to come as a reigning Messiah but first as what? Exactly, He has to first be born of a woman. He has to have a ministry that will lead to His death, burial, and then resurrection. For the Jews, unacceptable. Even to His disciples, by the way. His disciples did not agree with the plan of God for the Messiah. They followed Jesus for three years. Wherever He goes, they go. [Pushing aside motion while walking] "Move aside, move aside, move aside. You, come over here, yeah, you can come. You can come, don't worry, yeah..." They're like running the show and then Jesus says, "You know what? The Son of Man has to go to Jerusalem, stand before the priests, is going to suffer, He's going to be killed." Peter takes Him aside: "Don't talk like that!" Peter, the great theologian that his knowledge of the Bible is not more than first grade. A fisherman from Galilee is rebuking God for doing what God says He has to do in order for Peter to be saved. So, this is a mystery for the Jews.

But what Paul—Paul is not a minister to the Jews. Paul is not an apostle to the Jews. Who was the one that considered himself as the apostle to the Jews? Peter. Paul knew his calling. His calling was to the Gentiles; however, he also knew that it is to the Jew first. You can't just land in a place, and then ignore the Jews and go straight to the Gentiles, when the Bible says to the Jew first. So, what will Paul do? Go straight to the synagogue and talk and try to convince them. And by the way, how many times did Paul teach from the New Testament ever? How many times? Zero. Jesus did not even quote the New Testament once. [Laughter] Short circuiting... [makes

buzzing noise]. There was no New Testament. First century, the New Testament was being written. They never quoted the New Testament. All they have when they say, "Scriptures says, fulfilling the Scriptures..." it's all Old Testament. "I don't know how to evangelize with only the Old Testament." That's all they had! Not only to the Jews, but also to the Gentiles. And Paul goes into the synagogue and shares from the Old Testament. He shares Isaiah, he shares Jeremiah, he shares Micah, he shares all of that. But then, he knows one thing: that mystery that we will deal with shortly in Ephesians 3 has now been revealed by the Spirit of His holy apostles and the prophets, and the first thing to note is that it's not a mystery to God, but it's a mystery to man. And God you know, Paul had that burden. Can you imagine? You know the secret to the salvation not just of your own people but the whole world and you now need to go and tell them. Oh, my goodness, I would run to the bathroom 15 times a day, just from this feeling that, man, that responsibility. And it was burning within him. And he was scolded, and he was ridiculed, and he was humiliated, he was persecuted, and yet, every time he wants to leave, even in Corinth, Paul said, "Enough, I want to go." Then God visited at night and says, "Stay here, for I have many more people in the city."

This whole mystery of who the Messiah, what Messiah is all about, is hinted in Genesis already: [Genesis 22:6-12]. "6 So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on



Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together."

Father and son went together. "7 But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, 'My father!'

And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' Then he said,

'Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?' 8 And Abraham

said, 'My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering.'" Yes, and 2,000 years later, God provided for Himself, the Lamb. And it is not necessary for Abraham to sacrifice his son and look what he said about his son. He says: "8 ... So the two of them went together. 9 Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. ¹⁰ And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. ¹¹ But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' So he said, 'Here I am.' ¹² And He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son,..." And look what He says, "... 'since you have not withheld your son, from Me.'" Last time I heard, this is Isaac, and Abraham already had a son before, Ishmael. Yet the idea of the son of promise is through Isaac. God said through him I will establish My covenant. This is your only son. That's the son of promise. "Oh, in the spirit of this world, let's share the promise. Ishmael and Isaac should share it." No. It's not your choice, it's not your decision, it's not your call.

It was also spoken by the prophets. The prophets—I'm not talking about the prophets of



some charismatic churches nowadays—I'm talking about the prophets of the Bible, the real ones, the ones that were appointed by God, the one that were set apart by God, the ones that never wanted to be prophets, the ones that God called them. In **2 Peter**

1:21, it says: "²¹ for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." Spoken by the prophets. And in 1 Peter 1:10, he says: "¹⁰ Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the

grace that would come to..." Listen, the salvation that we're all talking about, Jesus, Yeshua, this is the One that the prophets have inquired and searched carefully. All the essence of the nation of Israel, all the essence of the prophets of Israel, all the essence of the King of Israel, Israel was all about the Messiah. God chose Israel to provide the Messiah for the whole world. That was the point of Israel. That was the choice of His, that was the purpose of Israel. It's still the purpose of Israel. Because Jesus will not come back to this world until Israel will acknowledge and call Him to come and say, "Baruch haba b'Shem Adonai." Jesus said to Jerusalem, "Jerusalem, you won't see me again until...", What? "... 'until you say, 'Baruch haba b'Shem Adonai.' I'll come back; I'll reign but I'm not going to do that until the nation of Israel will ask..." Him to come back. Now you see why Satan wants to get rid of us. "Let's kill them, let's get rid of them because if they're still here, He'll come back and reign." [1 Peter 1:10–12] "10 Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you," To you, the prophets of Israel. They didn't know that they're actually searching for you. "11 ...the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. 12 To them it was revealed that, not to themselves,..." Can you imagine Isaiah; Isaiah knew that Jesus would come and die. Now he doesn't know how to tell it to the people. So, look, God is going to bring someone and He's going to bear our sins, and God will put on Him our iniquities. All of us have gone astray and the Lord put on Him—I mean, they knew but it's not at the right time. I mean, Isaiah prophesied that, but it wasn't then accepted, it wasn't then revealed. And look what he says: "12 To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent

from heaven—things which angels desire to look into." It's a mystery that even the angels were desiring to look into.



What God did in the Old Testament was really a picture of what was to come through Jesus Christ. God showed the Jewish people that they could not keep the law, and they had to keep making sacrifices to cover their sins. But then in

the gospel, the ultimate sacrifice, Jesus, came to cover their sins and take away their sins once and for all. And so many, so many of us don't understand that. This whole thing was not just designed for Israel, it was designed for the world. And all of you here, sitting here, how many of you are Jews? Two, one? Look at you, you're all Gentiles. All of you were in His mind when He designed it. All of you. You're not secondhand, you're not plan B. He thought of you! When the Jewish people suffered, it was for you. When the Jewish people in their blindness, didn't see it, God blinded them so He will reveal it to you. You are as important, you are as dear, as amazing. This is what God had in mind. He never was just the God that wants the Jews to be saved only. No! Everything He did, and everything He will do, is so the nations will see that He's God. Even the great war that is about to come in the Middle East, the great war, what is the next war in the Middle East? Gog and Magog. What's going to happen? Iran and Russia and Turkey and Libya, they're all going to attack Israel from the north. And what is going to happen? God is going to win. And why? Wait, wait. Why is God going to win? Who is in His mind? You, the nations. He says, I— Wait, wait, wait. [Flipping to verses in Bible] I don't need clapping. [Laughter]. Look what He says. Okay, so watch this. So, Ezekiel 38, and look what He says. He says this: [Ezekiel 38:23] "23 'Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the LORD." [Applause] And this is the war He's winning in Israel for Israel, yet in His mind, it's that the nations—you're so dear, you're so beloved. He had you in mind when He brought the Messiah through Israel.

Designed for the world. Romans 10:14-17: "14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!' ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, 'LORD, who has believed our report?' 17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."; 1 Corinthians 2:6-8: "6 However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our..." This is 1 Corinthians. He is not writing that to the sacred Jews in Jerusalem. He is writing that to the filthy, pig-eating people of Corinth which was Amsterdam on steroids in those days. It was the largest brothel on planet earth. And to the church in Corinth, to the Gentiles who were saved there, he says, all these amazing rulers and wise people, no. To them, it's nothing. This wisdom that was hidden, it's what? "7 ...the ages for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory." But we needed Him to be crucified. That's why they didn't know.

1 Timothy 3:16: "¹⁶ And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh,..." ...He had to come as a man, but He's God. [John 1:1, 14] "¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,... ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,..." And then He [1 Timothy 3:16] "¹⁶...was manifested in the flesh,

justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the..." Are you smiling when you...look, "16 ...preached among the Gentiles, believed on in..." Only Israel? "believed on in the world, received up in glory."; 1 Timothy 1:15: "15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners,..." Israel? No! No, this is why I don't understand why some of you have on your birth certificate, "Christian." Were you born a Christian? Hello? No, it should be "born sinner." Your birth certificate should have "born sinner." Nobody can be born a Christian. Zero! No one on planet earth was ever born a Christian and will ever be born a Christian. It is impossible to be born born-again. You have to be born first in order to be born-again. Hello? "Wait a minute, I thought I'm a Christian." Well, I hope you are a Christian, but you can only be a Christian if you have been born-again. "Wait a minute, I was born to a Christian family." That's nice. That won't take you to heaven. What will take you to heaven is your personal relationship with Him. It's your personal acknowledgement that you are a sinner and that you need a Savior. It's not your father or mother or sister or brother; you have to be born-again and in order to be born-again, you have to be born first of the flesh, and then you have to be born of the Spirit. There's no two-in-one. "My parents were rich, so we paid and then I was born already born-again." There's no such a thing.

He came to the world to save sinners. Romans 16:25-27: "25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began 26 but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith—27 to God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever. Amen."

And when in Genesis 3:15: "15 'And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel." Who is that seed? It's Jesus. How do I know? Paul said. It's not seeds, it's seed -one. It's Jesus. But how did Jesus come to the world through whose seed? Abraham. Through? Isaac. Through? Jacob. Through? The nation of Israel, through the lineage of the tribe of Judah, through the house of David! Hello? There has to be a very specific lineage for that seed to come to the world. So, the Genesis prophecy is about the Savior of the whole world, not just of Israel. And when Micah 5:2 tells us that in, "2... 'Bethlehem Ephrathah, though your little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel,'..." ... He will be ruler in Israel. When will Jesus—Where is Jesus going to rule the world from? Hello? The millennial kingdom, when He comes back, and we rule with Him. Where from? Jerusalem! Where is Jerusalem? [Audience: "Israel"] Hello! There you go. "2 ... 'out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting." It's not just for Israel. He's everlasting, He's from the creation, He's way before the Creator, He's everlasting—there is no time. He is God!

Listen, I don't understand this whole argument on when was Jesus born. "I believe He was born in April." Others: "Oh, no. He was born on December 24–25th, maybe, not sure... January 6, February 7, March 8..." Who cares? The Bible says when He was born. The Bible says in Galatians 4:4: "4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son...." That's it. That is all you need to know, the fullness of the time has come, at the right time, Jesus was born. If it was so important to God to tell us that it was April or December or November or March, He would have said it. But all you need to know that the date doesn't really matter, it's the fact that He was born that matters. Who cares when it's your birthday? I mean, no offense. I care

that you're here. I don't care when your birthday is. Do you think that on your birthday you look better and you're a better person than the day after? No, you're the same person. "Now, I feel better on my birthday." Good, it is your issue! Celebrate your birthday every day.

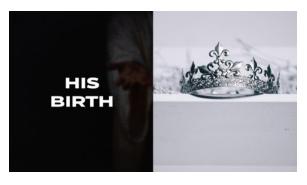
Ladies and gentlemen, what you do need to know is that He came on time. Not only that He came on time, He came at the right way: born of a woman, if there was any doubt.



Nowadays...[Laughter]. Born of a woman. He had to be born of a woman. Jesus Christ, when He came to this world was born of a woman. She was not yet married, but she was betrothed, remember, engaged. And she did not know her man or her man

did not know her yet. That was a virgin that conceived. He was born of a woman. That is why the seed of the woman—women don't have seed normally. Hello? Hello, last time I checked it eggs. The "seed of the woman" — that means the seed that was in the woman that was not of the man. And you see that He was not only born of a woman, but it didn't happen in Rome. He was born under the Law. He had to come from the Jewish people; born under the Law, and originally and first foremost, He came first to the...? To redeem those who are under the Law. That we—who is he writing that to? Galatians, he's telling the Galatians. Paul is telling the people of Galatia. He says, Jesus came, born of a woman at the right time from the Jewish nation that we —you, all of you —might receive the adoption as sons.

See, He was born of Israel, He is a Jew, coming out of the tribe of Judah, so you [pointing to audience] will receive the adoption of sons. When the mystery of the Messiah was revealed was when He was born, we know that. The angel told Mary; or told Joseph: [Matthew 1:21] "²¹ 'And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name..." In Hebrew ["... JESUS" is Yeshua].



Why Yeshua, do you know? Because "21 ... 'for He will save His people from their sins.'" In Hebrew it makes sense, in English, no, sorry. But [reading in Hebrew] it's the same word: Yeshua is salvation. Yeshua, Yeshua, Yeshua, Yeshua, Jesus,

Salvation, Jesus. See, same thing. So, you name Him Jesus because He will save His people from their sins. John 1:14: "¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

And there's a ministry He had to go, and He came and Isaiah 49:6 said: "6 ... 'It is too



small a thing that You should be My Servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, that You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth." the Lord said.

He had you in mind, you in Yorba Linda and Rancho Cucamonga...Baba Bunda... I don't care where you're from. He had you in mind. Romans 9:25–26: "25 As He says also in Hosea: 'I will call them My people, who were not My people,'..." You were not His people, He called you, His people. "... 'and her beloved, who was not beloved. 26 And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, "You are not My people," There they shall be called sons of the living God."" For years ... they told you, you are not His people. In Christ now you are His people. John 4:21–24 "21 Jesus said to her,..." the woman in Samaria, "... 'Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father.

22 You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship,...'" look what He says, "...

'for salvation is of the Jews.'" Salvation is of the Jews. Messiah could not have come out of any other nation. Salvation is of the Jews. He didn't say, salvation is only for the Jews. He says it's of the Jews. I remember I was guiding a group in Israel, and you know, you go through the Via Dolorosa, some churches are these and that and so, a lady, an older lady, she stopped me, and she said, "So I don't understand. Was Jesus Catholic or Orthodox?" And I said, "I'm going to confuse you even more. He was neither. He was a Jew." She was like: "Oh?" Yes, of the Jews, salvation is of the Jews! "23 'But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. ²⁴ God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." What is to worship Him in spirit and in truth? It is not to think that by fasting and doing this, and saying that, and chanting that, and confessing in a specific box, or doing all that; this is not salvation. This is not true; what true worship is in spirit and truth which means, in this context, it can be anywhere. Not necessarily in the temple in Jerusalem, or wherever you worship in Samaria. You don't need a place. Anywhere you are, you can worship Him as long as you worship Him in spirit and truth. That's revolutionary. This is Jesus, Yeshua from Nazareth, a Jew from the tribe of Judah, saying to a Samaritan woman, when the Jews and the Samaritans were fighting, where is the right place of worship? And He's basically saying to her, neither one. "The hour has come, it is now. Here I am." This is the end of religion. Jesus hated religion. He brought an end to religion. He says religion is the problem, it's not the solution. He says: You must worship Me in spirit and in truth. Not by deeds and chanting and doing this, no. Mark 8:17: "17 But Jesus, being aware of it, said to them, 'Why do you reason because you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive nor understand? Is your heart still hardened? ¹⁸ Having eyes, do you not see? ..." Jesus says, "Look, everything I'm doing. Can't you see what's going on here?" "18 ... 'And having ears, do you not hear? And

do you not remember? 19 When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments did you take up?' They said to Him, 'Twelve.' ²⁰ Also, when I broke the seven for the four thousand, how many large baskets full of fragments did you take up?' And they said, 'Seven.'" And let me tell you, 12 tribes of Israel, seven Gentile nations in the land of Israel: Girgashites, Hittites, Jebusites, "Termites, Omnicronites" whatever. Ladies and gentlemen, Jesus is trying to tell them I'm not only for Israel. This is not the only thing. He's in Nazareth, His hometown, and He entered the synagogue, not the mosque, not the church. How many times did Jesus preach in churches? Never, sorry. He entered the synagogue, okay, and they handed Him the book of Isaiah and He read from the book of Isaiah, scrolled it back, gave it to the attendant, and sat down. And everybody's eyes, "Oh wow, amazing. He speaks with so much authority. Look at Him." And they said: "Isn't that the son of Joseph, the carpenter? Woah. And all the women are like, 'Woah.'" You know, Jewish women, you know, He might become a doctor or lawyer one day. [Laughter]. "Look at Him, nice." And Jesus said to them—because they waited, everybody's now looking at Him-He's just finished, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me to set the captives free. [Sound of scroll being rolled up] Take it." He sits down, and everybody is like, "Okay, He's about to do it. We've heard so many things that He does. It's great. It's amazing. This is why we're here. Okay, let's do it. [Countdown] 3-2-1—[Luke 4:23] "23 ... 'You will surely say this proverb to Me, "Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country."" Jesus knows what they're saying in their heart. It's spooky. They think. [Gesture: points to head/mind] He knows! And He says to them, and look, their smile is that big. And the longer He talks [Gesture: face losing big smile] Luke 4:24-28 "24 Then He said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. ²⁵ But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three

years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; ²⁶ but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow." There were so many widows in Israel, but he went to a non-Jewish one in Lebanon, Sidon. "27 'And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman..." Who is what? "... 'the Syrian.' 28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things,..." After they already accepted, who is the Messiah, nice, son of Joseph, we like him, doctor, professor. Suddenly, He's just telling them: You think you're better because you're Jews? You think that becoming a Jew or being born a Jew means that that's it, you're going to heaven? You think that God is favoring you over the others? Jesus, a Jew, is telling them right to their face, "Look, if it was so, why did Elijah go to Zarephath? Why did Elisha heal the Syrian?" Hmm, basically what He told them, "Salvation is not by affiliation. You're not automatically saved because you're Jews." And that, ladies and gentlemen, made them angry because the teaching is that Israel is holy, because it's Israel. And [in] comes the Messiah and puts a mirror and says you're not. "You need to be saved. And this is exactly why I came. I came to My own."

[Luke 8:22] "22 Now, it happened on a certain day, that He got into a boat with His disciples...." And what did He tell them? "22 ... 'Let us cross over to the other side of the lake." You know what the other side was in the Sea of Galilee? Where the Gentiles live. That's where He met the demon-possessed man, Legion, remember? The other side, this is where the Gentiles lived. That's why pigs ran into the Sea of Galilee over there, not sheep or goats, pigs. Who raises pigs? Only Gentiles. And much of the reason is to sacrifice it to Zeus on the altar. And Jesus comes, and He says: "Let's go to the other side," and His disciples were looking at each other. What? "Yes." He didn't even ask them: Should we go? No. "Let's go, because I love them, all those pig-

eating Gentiles. I love them, I want to save them." Acts 1:8: "8 'But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,..." And He is commissioning His disciples, most of them if not all, were Jews, to go "8 ... 'to the end of the earth." He didn't say "Go look for Jews." No, go to the world. This is why Christianity was so persecuted by the Romans. Judaism never posed a threat to the Roman Empire because Jews don't want non-Jews to become Jews. We don't want you to be Jews. "But I want to be." We really don't want you! Either you're a Jew or you're not. We really don't want you to become a Jew. But Christianity, it's all about go and make disciples. So, which one poses more threat to the Romans? Christianity, [in Latin] "perverted religion." That's why any person who declared himself as Christian automatically was killed.

Acts 17. Paul is burning, it's burning within him, the mystery of the Messiah. He knows it's not only for us the Jews, but he also knows "I am commissioned to the Gentiles." So, he comes to the heart of Athens, to the place where it's so difficult to preach, because they think they know everything and he says to them, [Acts 17:29-30] "29 "Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man's devising." He says, all this nonsense, basta in Italian: stop, enough. no more, no mas. "30 "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,..." That's it. All men everywhere. The days that Gentiles could worship 15,000 gods are over. That's it. The days that they build shrines that cost them whatever, billions, just for what? For nothing. It's over, stop carving God as an image, stop building shrines. Repent! Isn't that interesting? This is the first thing Jesus said in His ministry, repent. It is the first thing Paul says that a Gentile must do, repent. Any teacher that will tell you that you can be saved without repentance is a false teacher. Repentance is the first step towards salvation.



And Jesus not only had to come and be born in a ministry, but He had to be rejected. [Psalms 118:22] "22 The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone." He has to be first rejected to be the chief cornerstone.

John 1:11 says: "He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him." He was rejected.

Not only that, then came His death and burial and resurrection. [Luke 23:34] "³⁴ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And He died. He said to them—He died, He was buried, and on the third day, what happened? Resurrected. What



happened on the third day, early in the morning?

Mary goes to the tomb, the stone is rolled, He is not there, she runs back—she was a sprinter—all the way, she told them. They ran. Who won the race by the way? John. How do I know? He mentions that

he was first. [Laughter] He outran Peter and then Peter was the first one to stoop down and see that—what happened? Mary was right; the women were right. In other words, a woman could not be right until men came to make sure. And so, He's not there. Not only that, but there's also a report from the angels. He's not there. He's alive just as He said. Do you remember the verse that Peter started dancing and clapping? No, it's in the book of Second Opinions. [Laughter] Peter was not dancing. He wasn't even happy. The Bible says he went like that, [hands on head gesture] perplexing at what happened. And two disciples left Jerusalem and said that's too weird, we're out of here. And they walk and they are sad: "We wasted three years of our life. We could have worked, made money all of that." Look, they thought, and then Jesus shows up. "Oh, hello." "Yes, hi."

Well, then they talk and, [Jesus] "What are you talking about, and you look so sad?" [Disciples] "Are you the only stranger? You don't know what's going on? About Jesus of Nazareth, whom we thought is going to save us and now it's the third day and look what happened. He was on the tree and then He was killed and then He was buried, third day, the tomb is empty and..." They literally tell Jesus, that Jesus resurrected. And Jesus is like, "And?" They're sad, they're angry, they're embarrassed. Jesus told them [Luke 24:25-27] "25 ... 'O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?' 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures..." in which Scripture? Old Testament. Jesus led His disciples to the Lord through the Old Testament. It's almost like a beginning of a joke. Think about it. And they were shocked. They still don't know it's Him, by the way. "Please stay with us, have dinner." "I have to go." "Please, please stay." "Okay." He broke the bread; they saw probably something here and their eyes are open and boom! He's gone. "We better go back to Jerusalem



and tell everyone, we've seen Jesus, He is alive."

They go up to Jerusalem. And everybody says,

"We know." [Laughter] "He was here also."

Paul calls it the mystery of Christ. The mystery of Christ is not only that He had to come

as a man, that He had to die, that he had to be buried, that He resurrected—but now comes the best part for you—that the Gentiles are heirs. [Applause] You are not second class, you're not plan B, you are heirs, if you don't worship 15,000 other gods, of course. [Ephesians 2:11-13] "¹¹ Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— ¹² that at that time you were

without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the



covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now..." remember the "but now", "in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ." Hallelujah! It's such a

privilege for the Jew to tell the Gentiles that for all those years, you've been not less, you've been as important to God, and I thank God that He included you in this amazing, amazing plan of salvation. [Ephesians 3:1-7] "¹ For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles—² if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you, ³ how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, ⁴ by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), ⁵ which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: ⁶ that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel,



⁷ of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power."

And the last thing I want to say is this: I love, and it's my privilege to tell you that the

Gentiles are heirs, but I have a warning for you. The mystery revealed does not cancel God's plan for Israel. Be careful. There are so many theologians, so many preachers, so many contaminated pulpits that will tell you that now God has used Israel to get that seed to come to save the Gentiles

and, [poof] kick them out. Romans 11:1-2a, "¹ I say then, has God cast away His people? Certainly not! For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. ² God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew." [Romans 11:11-12] "¹¹ I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke them to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles. ¹² Now if their fall is riches for the world, and their failure riches for the Gentiles, how much more their fullness!"

The plan of God is not for you to replace Israel! It has never been and will never be. Paul actually warned against such thinking. You, in Romans 11:19-24: "¹⁹ You will say then, 'Branches were broken off that I might be grafted in.' ²⁰ Well said. Because of unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by faith. Do not be haughty, but fear. ²¹ For if God did not spare the natural branches, He may not spare you either. ²² Therefore, consider the goodness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in



His goodness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off.

23 And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again." Look what he says: "24 For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is

wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, who are natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?" Where in this do you see that God has replaced Israel? He's warning you not to even think that way. From Abraham to Canaan, to Egypt to wilderness, to promised land, to the King David, to the exile, to return of the land, God never left Israel. God never forsook Israel because if He forsook Israel, what gives anyone the right to replace them?

He came for Israel. In Matthew 10:5-6 he says: "5 These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: 'Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. 6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." He did not say, go to





the perfect sheep of the house of Israel. He knew they're lost. He says, go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel first. John 1:11: "11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him." But it doesn't say, so He decided not to have them anymore, He decided to cancel them, He decided to replace them. No. Salvation is of the Jews (John 4:22) and we all know that He will come back.

Jesus came from Israel, He came for Israel, then to the world, but He will come back to Israel

for Israel. Hello? Who's going to come back with Him? All of us. You'll be having this landing—you'll be riding a horse, I always say, in the second coming of Jesus to earth, you better not see His face. You want to see His back because you're riding right behind Him. If you see his face, you probably going to die, because He's coming to destroy all the enemies. Hello?

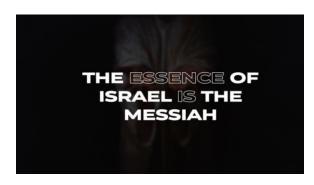
Without the Messiah, the choosing of Israel is pointless. The whole idea of choosing Israel was to bring the seed. [2 Samuel 7:12-13, 16] "12 'When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for My name,…" This is a promise to David about Solomon, then of course… "13 … 'and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever." From the house of David will come someone who will reign and it's forever. There is no flesh and

blood king that can do that, that can be king forever. "16 'And your house and your kingdom



shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever."; Isaiah 9:6-7: "⁶ For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called

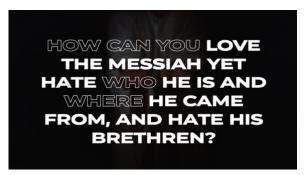
Wonderful, Counselor, [Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.] [Hebrew: pe-le yo·v·'etz, gib·bo·vr el, a·vi·'ad, sar-sha·lo·vm] ⁷ Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end,..." His government is from Israel. His government is in Israel and there will



be no end. That's why Israel cannot be—why do you think the enemy hates Israel? Because unless Israel is still here, Jesus cannot come back. Why? Because Jesus said, Jerusalem you will not see me again until you say: *Baruch Haba b'shem Adonai*.

In other words, for me to come back, you need to invite Me. For you to invite Me, you need to exist. You need to be there. You need to be back in your land, back in Jerusalem. Without Israel, Messiah would not have come because God chose Israel for that purpose. And He was born at the right time. And He was born under the law to redeem those who were under the law also, not just the Gentiles.

Part of the mystery of the Messiah is the reality that He cannot be separated from the nation of Israel. It's not just unbiblical to try and force such a conclusion, but it's actually diabolic. Who wants Israel to be wiped out? The devil. How can you love the Messiah, yet hate who He is, and where He came from and hate His brethren? For behold, God is going to judge every nation that



came against Israel. Joel 3:1-2: "1 'For behold, in those days, and at that time, When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem, ² I will also gather all nations, and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; and I will enter into

judgment with them there..." Not if they believe in Jesus or not; nations will be judged according to one thing: "1 ... 'on account of My people, My heritage Israel,..." What did you do to them? God—and this same thing has a parallel in Matthew 25, when the King comes, and He separates the sheep from the goats. [Matthew 25:40] "40 'And the King will answer and say to them, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."" If He's so picky on who is entering the millennial kingdom based on how they treated Israel, how much more He will be picky on who is entering the kingdom of God in heaven?

You must understand, [1 John 4:20–21]: "²⁰ If someone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?" This is why I have a problem when someone says, "I love Jesus, I hate the Jews." To me, it's an oxymoron. How can you do that? "²¹ And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also." So, I don't teach partial rapture theory where only some Christians will be raptured because others who are anti-Semites will not be raptured. I don't do that. This is not me. Every born-again, spirit-filled Christian will be raptured, period. My only question is, if you're an anti-Semite, check if you even know Jesus, check if you even have the Holy Spirit in you because I cannot see how someone will be filled with the Spirit of God in him and hate the people of God so much. This is to me an enigma. I don't

preach that, but we know that Satan hates the Jews. So, if you find yourself also hating the Jews, or any other group of people, for that matter, who are you really aligning yourself with? **Luke** 2:30: "30 'For my eyes have seen Your salvation..." When Simeon held Jesus as a baby. He is a light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, but Jesus is also the glory of His people, Israel. And thank God that He included the Gentiles, and thank God that He did not forget about Israel.

Father, we thank you for Your Word. We thank you that Gentiles are co-heirs, Gentiles can now have hope, these sons and daughters, and call you, Abba Father. I thank you that You did that through Jesus and that now we are a beautiful family and that's what your intention was to begin with. Even in the future, when there is going to be a war, Gog and Magog, even in the future, when the enemies will come against Israel, and You will intervene and win the battle. You said: "So the nations will know that I am the Lord." You've had the nations all along in your mind. You love them. You care for them, and You manifested this amazing mystery, so now they can come to You, repent first, acknowledge that they need a Savior, and believe and worship You in spirit and in truth. In such, You delight. We thank You and we bless You, in the name of the Holy One of Israel and the Redeemer of everyone who calls upon His name, Jew or Gentile, in the name of Yeshua, we pray and all of God's people say: "Amen."

Thank you.

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