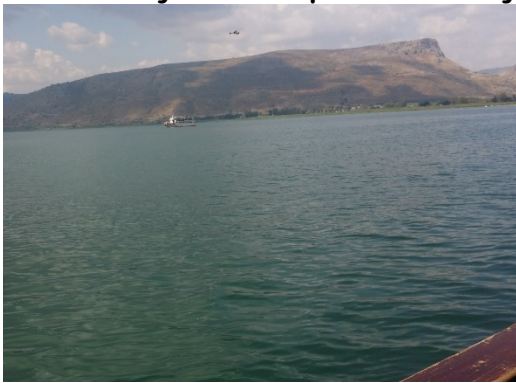


More reports from our group who traveled to Israel:

Becky Lee's report: "When you're in Israel, it's an encounter between Heaven and Earth."



Becky prayed, "L-rd, I want to encounter you in the Land." It happened for her on a boat on the Sea of Galilee.



En Gedi, where David hid and where springs and powerful waterfalls are – in the desert.



Becky: "I love camels! Camels are my favorite animal and they're always smiling!"



March of the Nations conference. Becky said, "It was the most powerful time for me ... This is a picture of Yehuda Glick, he's a rabbi in the Knesset, the guy in the middle with the bright red hair ... He was one of the guest speakers. I was in awe of the joy of this man ... he comes down off the stage ... and then he leads the whole room in glorious dance ... I saw Rabbi get up and start dancing with him."

Alan Armfield report: "The tour was great ... It's like trying to drink from a firehose."



"After the tour, Jong and I toured several houses of prayer in Jerusalem. The one that impacted me the most was Succat Hallel." Photo on far left: Rick Ridings - Director of Succat Hallel. Photo on immediate left: Nightwatch – Israel Harp & Bowl Team (Jong Kim in bottom left of picture)



Alan: These two ladies helped us with Nightwatch.

This is a model that David set up 3,000 years ago.

**Jong Kim report
Nightwatch
Second Team**

ESV Isaiah 40:8 The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.



Wong reported: Tents of Mercy ministry in Haifa began as a Bible study in a home and “started growing so big that they had to rent a building ... anti-missionaries ... firebombed the building ... everything was burnt except the Torah (scrolls, they were) untouched. G-d’s word endures forever ... They got another building that was even better than before. G-d always has the last word.”



A scribe writing the Torah scrolls on top of Masada

A sign remembering Jews who risked their lives helping other Jews come into



Israel. On this trail members of the Palmach smuggled, in the years 1943-1946, thousands of Jewish illegal immigrants from Syria, Lebanon and Iraq to Israel.



Who will be friends of Zion/Israel? Friends of Zion/Israel from the nations, 2,000-3,000 people.



My loyal friend Bob,
who came for me
when I got lost



[Talmidim/Disciples asking Yeshua:

When will be the end of this age? Seeing as it will happen HERE.

Key lessons prep for this:

- 1. Don't be deceived!*
- 2. Wars, famines, earthquakes...beginning of birth-pains. I have it on great authority, that birth pains usually start slowly, but never pleasant, and increase.]*



Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:9

אֲזַיִמְסְרוּ אֶתְכֶם לְרוֹדְפִים וַיְהַרְגוּ אֶתְכֶם וְתִהְיוּ שְׂנוּאִים עַל כָּל הַגּוֹיִים בְּגַלְל שְׂמִי.

“At that time you will be **arrested** and handed over to be **punished** and **put to death**, and all peoples will **hate you** because of me.”

[Arrested, punished [jail, flogging], executed, hated.

Yeshua spoke of this at other times ...]

Yn 15.18-21 “If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own. But you are not of the world, since I have chosen you out of the world; therefore the world hates you. Remember the word I spoke to you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they will persecute you also. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also. But all these things they will do to you for the sake of My name, because they do not know the One who sent Me.*

Arrested, punished, executed ...

*[*Knowing Him is really the purpose of living, and our work. To know the Jewish Divine Messiah King, and revel/worship/love in His Presence*

Makes it worth it all, besides escaping righteous wrath]

The Center for the Study of Global Christianity [Gordon Conwell Seminary] estimates that more than **70 million believers** have been martyred over the last two millennia. More than half of these were in the 20th century under fascist and communist regimes.

For the early 21st century, we estimate that 1 million were killed over the 10-year period from 2000–2010, an average of approximately 100,000 believers killed each year.

[http://www.gordonconwell.edu/resources/documents/csgc_Christian_martyrs.pdf]

According to Daniel Boyarin, ...martyrdom...originated in Judaism and Christian martyrdom as a continuation of that practice. Judaism [is characterized] as "a religion of martyrdom"

"In the first two centuries C.E. there was a living...tradition of self-sacrifice for a cause, a preparedness if necessary to defy an unjust ruler.

It is believed that the concept of voluntary death for God developed out of the conflict between King Antiochus Epiphanes IV and the Jewish people. 1 Maccabees and 2 Maccabees recount numerous martyrdoms suffered by Jews

resisting the Hellenizing of their Seleucid overlords, being executed for such crimes as observing the Sabbath, circumcising their children or refusing to eat pork or meat sacrificed to foreign gods.

Tertullian, one of the 2nd century Patriarchs, wrote that “the blood of martyrs is the seed of the faith,” implying that the martyrs' willing sacrifice of their lives leads to the conversion of others.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_martyrs]

This is not in our American psyche. We are used to safety and comfort. But we still get overwhelmed. We have suffering.]

Yer 12.5 NIV “If you have raced with men on foot and they have worn you out, how can you compete with horses? If you stumble in safe country, how will you manage in the [overflowing of the] thickets by the Jordan?

[That is, if in calm times we have gotten exhausted and stumbled, how will we face adversity...when the Jordan river overflows in the Spring, and the lions come out of the thickets?]

Believers on trial for our faith

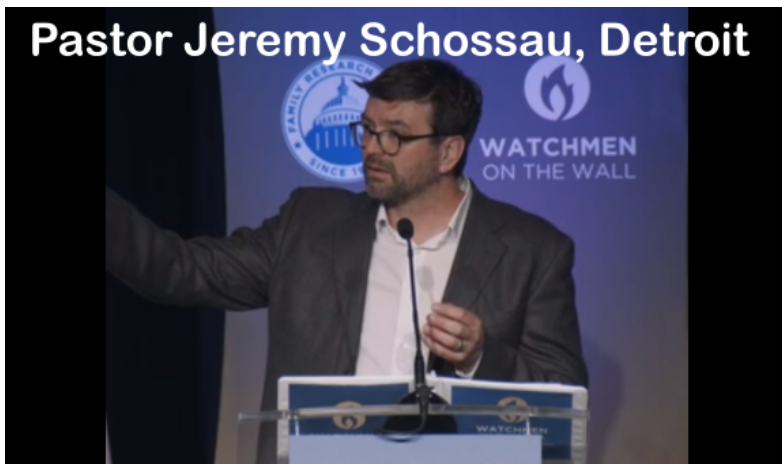
• Jack Phillips, Masterpiece Cakeshop [SCOTUS]

• Kim Davis

• Dinesh D’Souza?

• Andrew Brunson [Turkey]

[<https://www.christianitytoday.com/news/2017/december/supreme-court-masterpiece-cakeshop-christians-gay-weddings.html>]



[Pastor Jeremy Schossau, the leader of Detroit’s Metro City Church. Had a small group study for 12 girls with parents’ permission or presence on gender identity, etc. Advertised in on Facebook. 8 pm he in FL on vacation and 100’s emails. Death threats started streaming into the congregation office -- on Facebook, Twitter, and Metro City’s phone lines. Angry activists threatened to burn the building down or shoot members of the staff. Legislative investigation threatened.]

Tony Perkins awarded him “Watchman on the Wall” commendation, with a shofar. “What do with?”

Arrest, death, jail.

Wurmbrand method...

Side note on reprieve.

If there was anyone more surprised than Donald Trump by his come-from-behind 2016 win, it was the person he was succeeding: Barack Obama. In a new book, *The World as It Is*, former advisor Ben Rhodes says Trump’s predecessor couldn’t seem to come to grips with the results, wondering, “What if we were wrong?”

Still, President Obama was “shell-shocked,” “Obama told aides, according to the memoir. “Maybe we pushed too far...” For once, he was right. What we witnessed in 2016 was the **revenge of the “deplorables,”** who, after a decade of being mocked and maligned, finally said, “enough!”

[<https://www.frc.org/get.cfm?i=WA18F03&f=WU18F01>]

We don’t know how long the reprieve will last, but ours to enjoy and labor. Continuing ...]

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:10

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“At that time many will be trapped into betraying and hating each other.”

Lots of scriptures with the phrase “each other” or “one another”

Ro. 12.10 **Love each other** devotedly and with brotherly love; and set examples for **each other** in showing respect.

Ro 12.16 **Be sensitive to each other’s** needs — don’t think yourselves better than others.

Ro. 15.7 **Be sensitive to each other’s** needs — don’t think yourselves better than others.

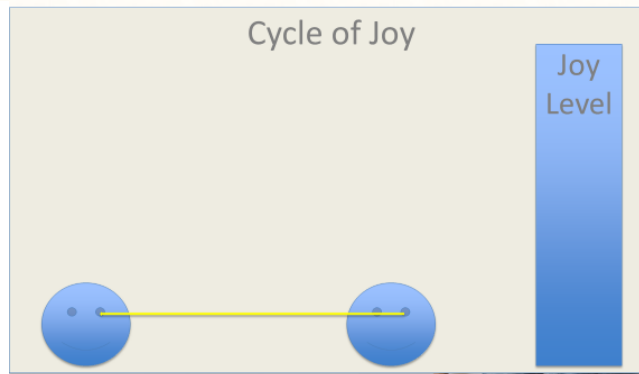
[I feel it’s a vital theme from Messiah King to develop this.

Some of you were at the Darrell Brazell teaching...]

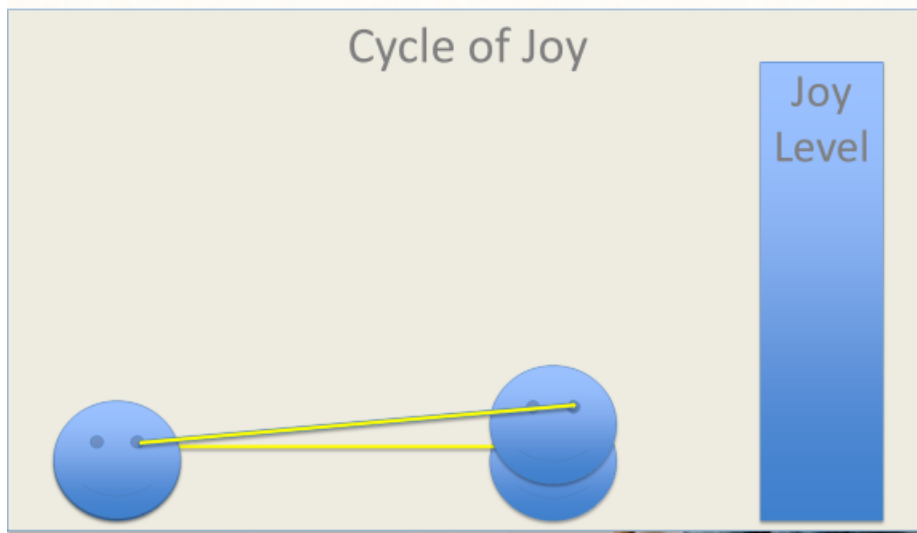
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What Is Joy?

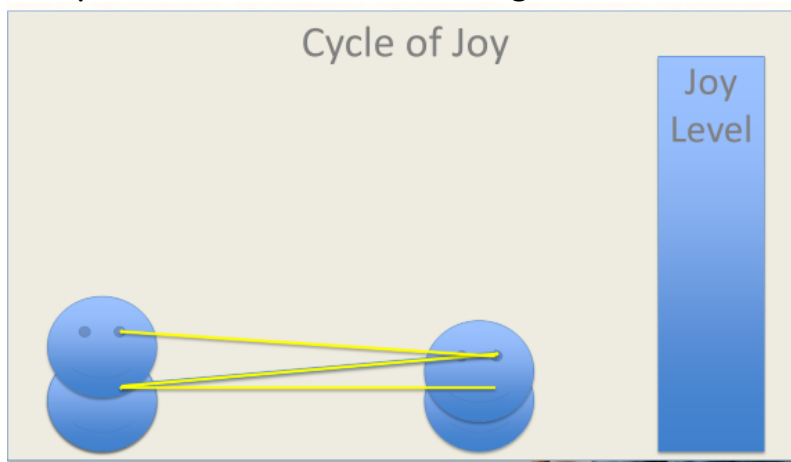
- **Defined**
 - “Being with someone who is glad as glad can be to be with me.”
- **Impact**
 - Feels good
 - Dopamine released in both brains
 - Always relational—distinguishing it from “pleasure.”
- **Transmission**
 - Non-verbal
 - Authentic
 - Cycles 6 complete transactions per second



Person A sees Person B and before they are even consciously aware they see person B their brain remembers that they like person B and their brain releases a little dopamine which causes their face, specifically the eye to communicate, “I’m glad to see you.” When person B

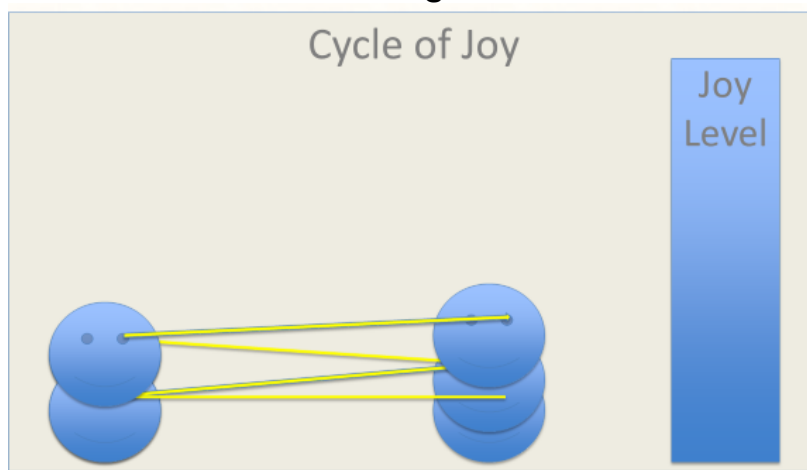


receives that non-verbal, “I’m glad to be with you” message, it triggers a dopamine response in his brain that feels good and raises his joy level

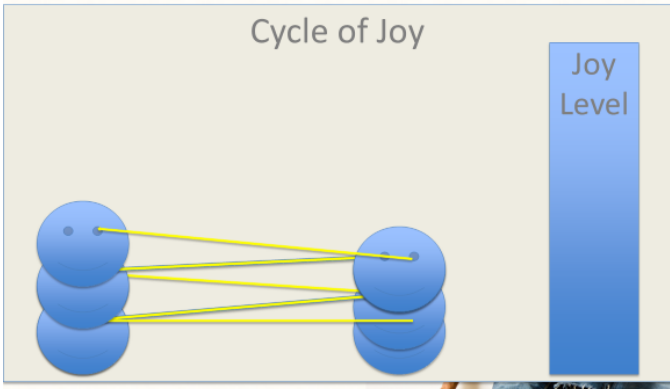


Person B then is “glad to be with their friend also” and reciprocates by sending a “I am glad be with you also” message back.

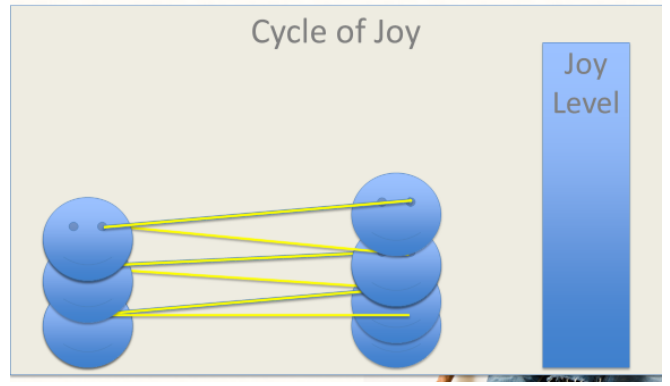
When person A receives that message it stimulates the pleasure center of his brain to release a little more dopamine and now he is even more glad to see his friend. So guess what he does



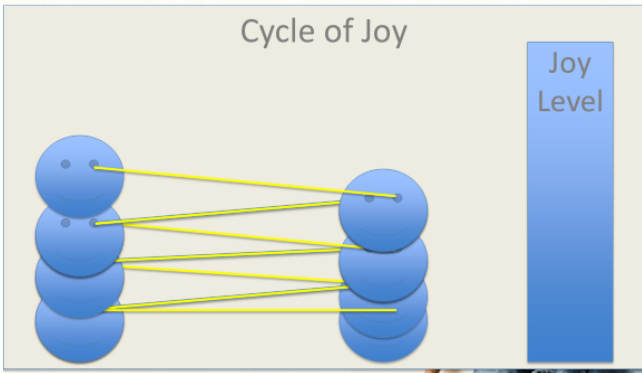
He sends another message which feels good to both him and his friend and raises both their joy levels a little more.
And back and forth it goes



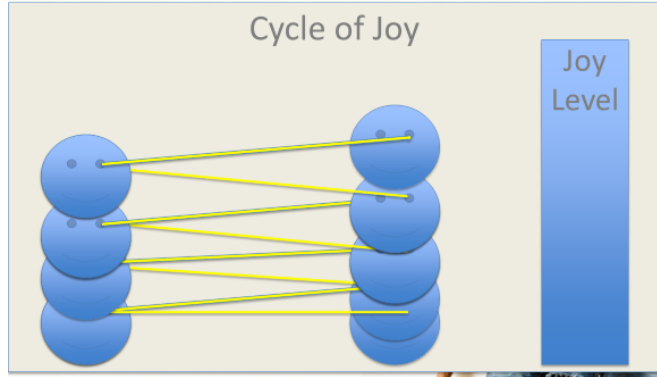
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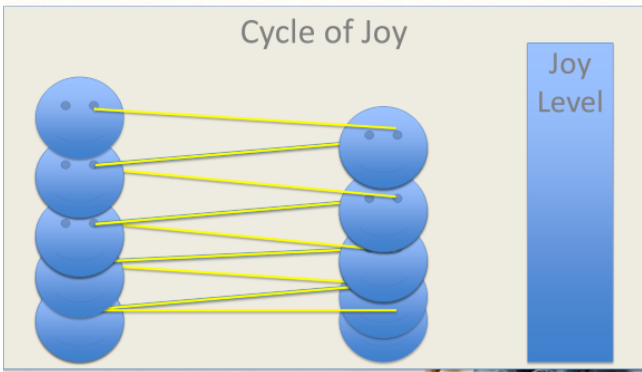
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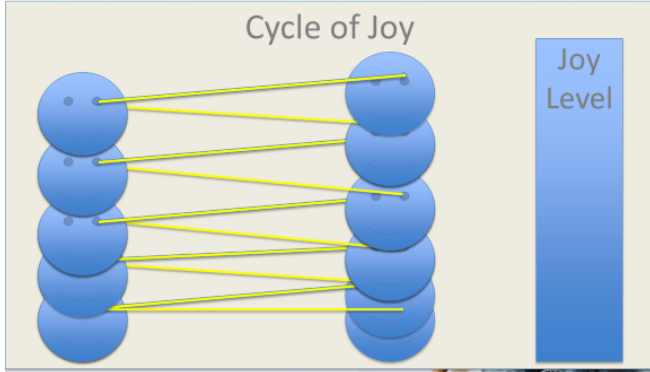
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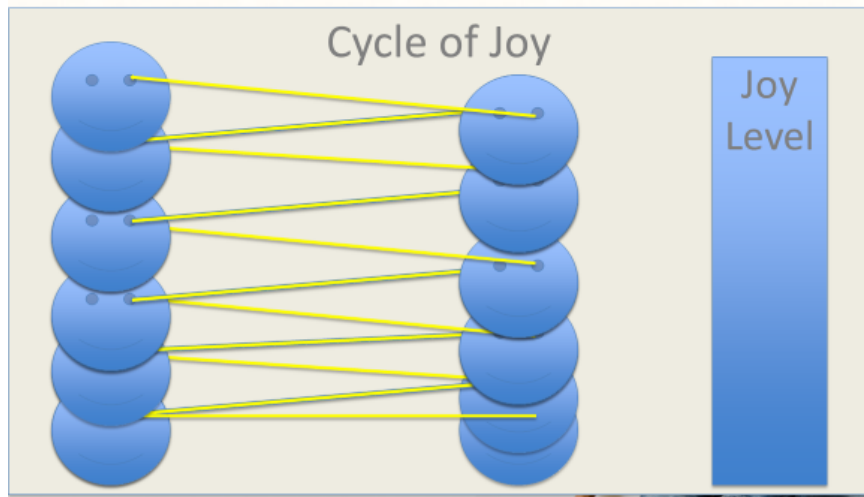
... And all this ...



... happens ...



... at a rate ...



... of 6 complete cycles per second. So what just took me two minutes and 11 PowerPoint slides to explain happens 6 times each and every second you are with someone who is glad to be with you.

That is one of the reasons it is always authentic. You can't fake something that happens before you are even aware you are doing anything.

Fake it 'til you make it doesn't work with joy. Or much else for that matter but we don't have time for that discussion.

Best illustrated not with Darrell's goofy blue faces but with a small child.

Dopamine...activates oxytocin production in your hypothalamus and hippocampus
[Darrel Brazell Power of Joy lectures.]

A special chemical in your body, called *oxytocin*, helps to create the feeling of falling in love. Oxytocin naturally enhances a sense of:

Optimism, Trust, Mastery, Self-esteem

[<https://bodyecology.com/articles/this-bliss-hormone-can-heal-your-body-the-many-benefits-of-oxytocin>]

In the study, scientists were able to prove **the hormone oxytocin plays a vital role toward the sentiment of trust**, even after a betrayal. The ability of human beings to live in societies is based on trust. Whether in love or politics, in family or business life, trust always plays an important role. The interest was correspondingly high when researchers at the University of Zurich discovered three years ago that **oxytocin promotes a feeling of trust**.

[<https://psychcentral.com/news/2008/05/23/biochemical-effects-of-betrayal/2347.html>]

So, what does all this have to do with Yeshua's words on **"betraying and hating each other"**? The most common forms of betrayal are harmful disclosures of confidential information, disloyalty, infidelity, dishonesty. They can be traumatic and cause considerable distress. The effects of betrayal include shock, loss and grief, morbid pre-occupation, damaged self-esteem, self-doubting, anger.

The effects of a catastrophic betrayal are most relevant for anxiety disorders, and OCD and PTSD in particular.

It's coming.

[<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20035927>]

Stern's Commentary: Similarly, according to the Talmud,

"Our rabbis taught, 'For Adoni will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants when he sees that their power is gone ^{Dt, 32:36}.' The Son of David will not come **until there are many denouncers.**" ^{Sanhedrin 97a}

Stern's Commentary: The phrase, "...when he sees that their power is gone," is here understood to mean that the people of Israel will be **at the mercy of informers.**

Stern's Commentary: It is then that God will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants by redeeming them through the Messiah, the Son of David.

We are not yet regularly facing people "betraying and hating" us. But, Israel faces daily lies. It's in the spiritual environment...

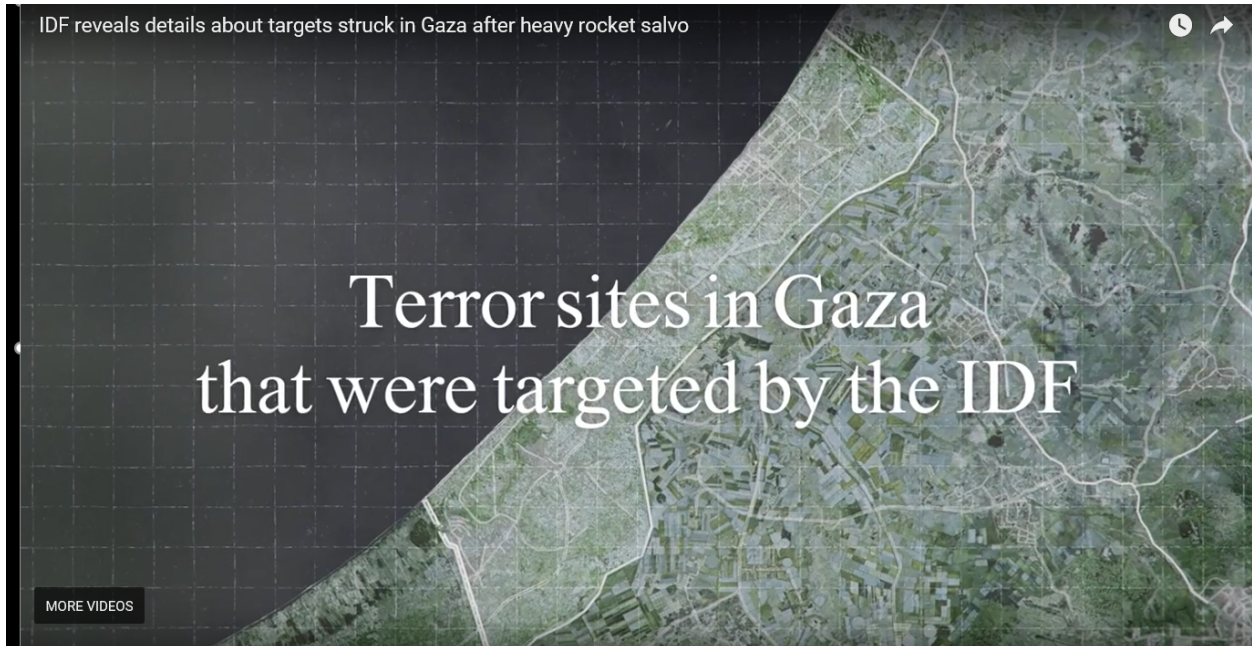
Gaza's Islamist rulers Hamas and an allied terrorist group claimed joint responsibility on Tues. 29 May 2018, for dozens of mortar rounds and rockets fired at Israel throughout the day. The military wings of Hamas and Islamic Jihad announced in a rare joint statement their "joint responsibility for the striking of military positions and Zionist settlements surrounding the Gaza Strip."

Yet the world's media...

One of dozens of rockets launched Tues. 29 May 2018, by terrorists from the Gaza Strip, hit facilities supplying electricity to the Gaza Strip. Due to the damage to the facilities, three lines supplying electricity to the southern Gaza Strip were stopped. The electricity company said it would take several days to repair the equipment for a regular supply of electricity. Israel's Energy Minister Yuval Steinitz instructed the Israel Electricity Company (IEC) not to endanger its employees and to repair the problem only after a lull. (Arutz-7)

[(INN) from Barry & Batya Segal]

Targets IDF struck in Gaza 1:06



<https://youtu.be/C6-xRINvQAA>

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“At that time many will be trapped into betraying and hating each other.”

[Fracture of a fellowship. Never had a split at Or HaOlam. Some difficult partings of individuals or a few. Even that painful.]

How do we prepare for arrest, imprisonment, death, betrayal, hatred?

1. Make sure your heart's joy is **NOT dependent** on circumstances, or even on people. Know Him!
2. Remember those in prison and being mistreated, as if you were in prison with them and undergoing their torture yourselves. Mes Jews 12.3
3. Practice reaching out, wisely and lovingly, beyond your comfort zone, even if opposition.

4. Don't resist the evils of life unduly. ^{Mt 5.39-42} But I tell you, do not resist an evildoer. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn to him also the other. And the one wanting to sue you and to take your shirt, let him also have your coat.

[Love suffers long.]

Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

[Practice a little suffering.]

You'll NEVER fix all your relational problems. Some you have to suffer, with joy. Get used to it!

^{Phil 2.5-9} Let your attitude toward one another be governed by your being in union with the Messiah Yeshua: Though he was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God something to be possessed by force. On the contrary, he emptied himself, in that he took the form of a slave by becoming like human beings are. And when he appeared as a human being, he humbled himself still more by becoming obedient even to death — death on a stake as a criminal! Therefore God raised him to the highest place and gave him the name above every name.