

Usually start with jokes. Recent history provided its own humor.



Hamas authorities in Gaza claim to have captured an Israeli “spy dolphin” off the coast of Gaza Wednesday. Sources in Gaza say the dolphin in question was wearing cameras and other equipment, and was captured by Hamas’s “military wing,” the Ezzedine al-Qassan Brigades, according to *IDF Radio*.

[Dolphins are believed to be highly intelligent - but this would be the first time a dolphin has been accused of acting as an intelligence agent.]

This is not the first such bizarre claim, usually mistaking tracking devices placed on animals by scientists. Often, the mere presence of Hebrew writing on a device is seen as “proof” of a Mossad connection. Sharks, ducks, vultures, eagles, and even rare European Bee-Eaters, have all been “exposed” at some point as dastardly Zionist agents.



[http://www.israeltoday.co.il/NewsItem/tabid/178/nid/27213/Default.aspx?utm_source=news&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=%20Daily%20Newsletter&utm_content=2054

Photoshopped, not a Hamas photo]



- Presidential Guest Palace in Surda, Ramallah 4,700 m²= 50590 ft²
- along with a building for the Presidential Administration and Guards with an area of 4,000m²,
- two helipads,
- a land area of 27,000 m².

Budget \$13 Million

Source Of Funding Self Financing- Ministry of Finance

[The \$13 million for the palace is to be financed by the PLO's budget, which is deeply debt ridden and largely propped up by US donations. Yasir Arafat, at his death, was the 6th wealthiest man in the world according to Forbes Mag.

<http://int.icej.org/news/headlines/forbes-magazine-arafat-among-worlds-richest-people>

<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/199934#.Vd5QO-mWssg>

White House, Floor area (total of 6 floors) approximately 55,000 square feet.

<http://www.whitehousehistory.org/questions/how-big-is-the-white-house>]



[Where is this in the news?

Following is a story told first person at the UMJC Conference Summer 2015]

A 23 year-old Messianic Jewish woman named Shayna served in the Israeli Air Force. She is a third-generation Messianic Jewish girl who moved to Israel,

joined the IDF, was drafted into the IAF as a crew commander and “strapped bombs on F15 fighter jets.”

[This experience gave her a birds-eye view of the inner workings of the Israeli Air Force.]

In 2012, after weeks of non-stop rocket attacks from Gaza, Israel made a decision to finally retaliate with what she called the “strong arm of the army” – the Israeli Air Force. Israel takes great pains to avoid civilian casualties, and often the planes cannot fire at their targets due to the enemy purposefully flooding the target areas with civilians. On several occasions planes came back fully loaded with their bombs.

She recalled one mission where a plane was unable to hit a very active rocket launcher due to the presence of civilians near the launcher. Later, they heard on the news that three Israelis had been killed by a Hamas rocket from the same rocket launcher. Because Israel values and protects innocent civilians, whether Israeli or Arab, they were unable to protect the lives of those innocent Israelis.

Mattityahu מתיתהו
(Matthew) 8:14-15

[3rd healing since gave His keynote, theme message on the mountain:

- *tsaraat/leper,*
- *Centurion's servant,*
- *mother in law.]*

Mattityahu (Matthew) 8.14

כְּשֶׁנִכְנַס יֵשׁוּעַ לְבֵיתוֹ שֶׁל כֵּיפָא רָאָה אֶת חֲמוּתוֹ שׁוֹכְבָת וְהָיָא סוֹבֵלֶת מִחֹם.

And when Yeshua came into Kefa/Peter's house, He saw his mother-in-law lying down, sick with a fever.

[Luke 4.38 Leaving the synagogue, he went to Shim'on's house. Shim'on's mother-in law was suffering from a high fever, [very raging and furious] and they asked him to do something for her

Geo/Historical context]



Artist rendition of 1st century CfarNahum, synagogue two story
[Leaving the synagogue, he went to Shim'on's house.]



[One of more notable stops on most Messianic tours. You'll see with me next summer. White synagogue, imported white limestone on basalt stone foundation. Basalt seen there is local volcanic rock, limestone sedimentary more elegant stone. Basalt synagogue likely the site where Yeshua ישוע worshipped, but rebuilt ~3^d Century with elegant imported stone כי traffic. According to Avner Boskey, this is the first Messianic tourist destination. Can see parts of the underlying basalt building. Octagon was Byzantine style...]



[Buried beneath the remains of an octagonal Byzantine martyrium church, excavators found the ruins of a rather mundane dwelling dating to the first century B.C. a few small rooms clustered around two open courtyards. In the years immediately following Yeshua's death, the function of the house changed dramatically. The house's main room was completely plastered over from floor to ceiling—a rarity for houses of the day. At about the same time, the house's pottery, which had previously been household cooking pots and bowls, now consisted entirely of large storage jars and oil lamps. Such radical alterations indicate that the house no longer functioned as a residence but instead had become a place for communal gatherings, possibly even the first Messianic

gatherings, more than a hundred graffiti scratched into the church's walls. Most of the inscriptions say things like "Adon Yeshua help thy servant" or "Messiah have mercy." They are written in Greek, Syriac or Hebrew replaced in the fifth century by a well-built octagonal martyrion church. Octagonal martyria were built to commemorate an important site.]

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כְּשֶׁנָּכַח יֵשׁוּעַ לְבֵיתוֹ שֶׁל כֵּיפָא רָאָה אֶת חֲמוּתוֹ שׁוֹכֵבֶת וְהִיא סוֹבֵלֶת מְחֹם.

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[Several key issues concerning the fact that Shimon Kefa/Peter has his mother in law living in his home.]

Mother in law jokes

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mother-in-law_joke

Humor and jokes about one's Mother in Law (the mother of one's spouse) are a mainstay of comedy. joke dates back to Roman times: Satire VI by Juvenal to Driving Miss Daisy. Based on the premise that the average mother-in-law often considers her son-in-law to be unsuitable for her daughter (or daughter-in-law unsuitable for her son). Since I have had all the toxic mother issues imaginable and deep healing, I will tell none of them. See the movies. J-Lo, Monster in Law;]



[Some J-Lo fans here?

Seen as offensive on the grounds that they disrespect elders or parents."

Ancient Jewish literature presupposes close ties with one's in laws. Keener p. 270 Newlyweds typically with husband's family, room on rooftop. Kefa on his own, not in native Bethsaida, housed his wife's mother.]

Husbands were often older than their wives, so the wife would be left a widow. Hence 1 Tim 5 about widowed mothers.

¹ Tim 5.8 If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.
[Usually understood about supporting wife and children, context about widowed mother.]

My father died Sept 19, 1975. Dawn and I just then starting on campus ministry. Lots of antagonism in my family to my faith, but we dropped everything to help her in the family business until Mom could sell it. Long and miraculous story. Took about a year. My mother was NOT destitute. Could have been eaten by one particular shark. My mother was so appreciative of Dawn, who worked in the office.

Permanently changed all my relatives perceptions of my faith in Messiah. Take care of your mother, and your spouse's mother. Great benefit.

Another practical lesson: Kefa/Peter had a mother in law. Implies????]

¹ Tim 4.1-3 The Spirit expressly states that in the acharit-hayamim [end of days] some people will apostatize from the faith by paying attention to deceiving spirits and things taught by demons. Such teachings come from the hypocrisy of liars whose own consciences have been burned, as if with a red-hot branding iron.
[Demons will teach excessive impossible disciplines]

¹ Tim 4.1-3 They forbid marriage and require abstinence from foods which God created to be eaten with thanksgiving by those who have come to trust and to know the truth.

[Marriage never forbidden to clergy. Sorry to say, but the foundation of the celibate clergy is "paying attention to deceiving spirits and things taught by demons."

*That's rather rude and judgmental. Yes? It's the writing of Shaul/Paul by the inspiration of the Ruakh, the Spirit. Some would like to separate Shaul from Yeshua ישוע, but not so. He was a good Jewish expositor of the Tanakh to the end of his days. Common notion in Jewish arguments against Messiah. Shaul was the bad guy. NOT SO. Several books on the authenticity of Shaul/Paul. Last chapter of Acts still identifying as a Jew. Tim Hegg, Letter Writer
http://www.godandscience.org/apologetics/paul_invented_christianity.html]*

Mattityahu (Matthew) 8.15

הוא נגע בידה והחם סר ממנה. אז קמה ושרתה אותו.

Yeshua touched her hand, and the fever left her. Then she got up and began to take care of Him.

No recuperation time?

Some translations, "Him"

some "them"

[So, take care of your mother and MIL

Trust the writings of Shaul/Paul over traditions of a demon.]

ēgerthē	kai	diēkonei	autō
ἡγέρθη	καὶ	διηκόνει	αὐτῷ
she arose	and	minis- tered	to them

αὐτῷ he, she, it, they, them, same

[an intensive pronoun, a prim. Word

So, which one?

Fundamental difference between Greek and Hebrew thought/word structures is that

Greek is precise, mathematical

Hebrew is poetic, forceful, metaphorical

So here: she served Him, or them?]

Luke 10.39-42 On their way Yeshua and his talmidim came to a village where a woman named Marta welcomed him into her home. She had a sister called Miryam who also sat at the Lord's feet and heard what he had to say. But Marta was busy with all the work to be done; so, going up to him, she said, "Sir, don't you care that my sister has been leaving me to do all the work by myself?" However, the Lord answered her, "Marta, Marta, you are fretting and worrying about so many things! But there is only one thing that is essential. Miryam has chosen the right thing, and it won't be taken away from her."

[Great discussions about busyness and stress, as opposed to worship and meditation.

Are you a Marta, or a Miryam

Did Kefa's MIL serve Him or them?

Cf psalmist, Marty Goetz set to elegant music]

T'hilim 27.4-6 Just one thing have I asked of ADONI; only this will I seek: to live in the house of ADONI all the days of my life, to see the beauty of ADONI and visit in his temple. For he will conceal me in his shelter on the day of trouble, he will hide me in the folds of his tent, he will set me high on a rock. Then my head will be lifted up above my surrounding foes, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing, sing praises to ADONI.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 8.15

הוא נגע בַּיָּדָהּ וְהָחֵם סָר מִמֶּנָּה. אִזְ קָמָה וַיֵּשְׁרָתָהּ אוֹתָם.

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No recuperation time?

[Touched her unusual כִּי fever, and כִּי female.

Envision the scene: she's "lying down, sick with a fever." Had a fever?

Everything aches, eyes burn, can't look at anything, weak, sweaty, gross.

He touched her hand. "Touchy feely?" Yeah, touch of LIFE. Sim to leper/tsaraat guy.

Opened her eyes to see Yeshua ישוע. Wow, see Messiah of Israel ישראל, King, Word, דבר, Davar Adoni.]

Best when they merge.

- One set of greeters, stood at the doorway, in place, and danced.
- Greet people with joy of Messiah.
- Participating in calling Israel and those graft in to their covenantal identity in Messiah.

[If

- *you've received Him, the Only ben Elohim*
- *your sins are acknowledged and then forgiven,*
- *paid for by His atonement,*
- *walking in His love*

Then

there is JOY and energy to serve. Stewart Winograd commented one time that if we serve because there is a need, we'll kill ourselves and alienate our families. If we serve because He calls, there is joy and power. [need an usher greeter 2nd Shabbat: qualif, Ruakh radiance, Spirit smile] email admin@orhaolam.com also more sound techs]

Serve Him with joy:

The 10 days from Rosh HaShannah/Trumpets (first day of Tishrei, the seventh month) to Yom Kippur/ Day of Atonement (the 10th day of Tishrei) are known in Hebrew tradition as the "Ten Days of Awe," meaning the "fear of Adoni." Rosh HaShannah symbolizes the trumpets of Tribulation in the book of Revelation, *[From Asher Intrater]*

and the Day of Atonement symbolizes the Second Coming Judgment of Yeshua. Those 10 days between them represent a special time of fulfillment of prophecies and end times events. In this year of the Shemita 5775,

- Obergefell vs Hodges decision
- County Clerk Kim Davis in jail
- Iranian Nuclear [Enablement] Deal passed

[Shemita is a Sabbatical year. Orthodox Jewish farmers in Israel follow it and don't plant or harvest crops. "Volunteer" produce for the poor. Replenishes soil.

Time of Judgment, historically.]

- ISIS
- Syria meltdown and migrants
- Chinese/other economic uncertainty

Let us be alert and pray. Do whatever you can do to fast food, drink, media, entertainment, and so on. Then you can join with us as we culminate in a full fast on Yom Kippur.

Summary

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1. Take care of your mother, MIL
2. Trust the Messianic Scriptures Shaul/Paul
3. Do you see your fever:
 - a. Physical
 - b. Spiritual: bitterness, jealousy, lust, complaining, arrogance, razor tongue, sadness [Shalom Arush]
 - c. This is the time of self evaluation and repentance.

Yeshua ישוע wants to touch you with atonement, forgiveness, empowerment

4. Messiah wants us to serve Him with joy. Take care of Him/them.