Oct 10, 2020 Shmini Atzeret Genesis Bereisheet – a New Beginning

"A priest, a rabbit, and a minister walk into a bar. The bartender asks the rabbit, "What will it be?

The rabbit replies, "I have no idea. I am only here because of autocorrect." [from Pam Allen's daughter]



Next Friday 7 a.m. is my hip replacement. Dr. Scott Cook.

- Photos during surgery
- Keeping components
- · Will show only on request

[History as a science teacher collecting components. Cheryl Bales and Kent Bonham remember collie Coco's tumor in a jar.]

In general, real Hebrew is MUCH preferred over transliteration.

שנה טובה is much better than Shana Tova [Good (new) Year] Except ...



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3tNKmzTZDw

Concerning Shana Tova This is the season of New year celebration of Torah renewal → Season of spiritual renewal With opposition



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Review:

Rosh HaShana	Sept 19	Tishrei 1
Shabbat Shuva	Sept 26	Tishrei 9
Yom Kippur	Sept 27	Tishrei 10
Sukkot 1	Oct 3	Tishrei 15
Sukkot 8 [today]	Oct 10	Tishrei 22

Vayikra/Lev 23.33-36 Adoni said to Moshe, "Tell the people of Isra'el, 'On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the feast of Sukkot for seven days to Adoni. On the first day there is to be a holy convocation; do not do any kind of ordinary work ... on the eighth day you are to have a holy gathering and bring an offering made by fire to Adoni; it is a day of public assembly; do not do any kind of ordinary work.

Today <u>eighth</u> day = Shmini שמיני



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7th Hoshanah Rabbah

8th Shmini Atzeret [scriptural]

9th Simkhat Torah

[In the Jewish Diaspora, where holidays usually last two days, one day is the Shemini Atzeret celebration and the next day marks Simkhat Torah. However, in Israel, the two holidays combine into one.]

In Temple times, Yeshua's time ... this extra day of Hoshanah Rabbah was practiced.

Women:

Every evening of Sukkot was שָׁלְתָת בֵּית הַשׁוֹאֵבֶה Simkhat bet Ha-sho-eh-vah, Rejoicing of the House of (Water) Drawing, involving torch dances by the Sanhedrin elders, four huge tower menorahs, the choir of L'vee-eem with flutes, trumpets, and harps, singing שִׁירֵי הַמַּעֲלוֹת Sheeray HaMa-a-lot, the Songs of the Stairs, or Ascent [Psalms 120-134] one on each of the stairs outside the Nicanor Gate. It was a time of unparalleled joy and celebration. [My apology to Jim Adler for Torch dance and spilled flaming alcohol from rusted lamp. Totally Rabbi/chemistry teacher Shmuel's fault]

Men:

3. <u>The seventh day</u> was an intensified version of the daily processions. On the seventh day the water pouring was accompanied by cohaneem blowing gold trumpets, that sounded three sets of seven blasts, with L'vee-eem singing,

[Would be yesterday, 7th day of Sukkot]

and ordinary people waving lulavs and chanting the Hallel (Psalms 113-118). The procession of the cohaneem went around the altar seven times, singing the "Hoshanna." Therefore this day became known as הוֹשַׁעְנֵא רָבַּה Hoshanah Rabbah, the great hoshanah.

[Although Hoshanah Rabbah is a traditional/rabbinic add on, Yeshua participated.]

The Talmud says that there was no celebration, ever, like the celebration of Simkhat Beit Hasho'eva. What is it about this water ceremony that aroused the greatest celebration in Jewish history?

It is explained that before G-d created the world, the world was filled with water. On the second day of creation, G-d separated the waters to an "upper waters" and a "lower waters" in order to allow for space and, by extension, for the earth to be created. The upper waters became the sky and the lower waters became the lakes, rivers and oceans.

[https://unitedwithisrael.org/the-greatest-celebration-in-jewish-history/

There is a frequent connection in scripture between water and new creation.]

On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Yeshua stood up and cried out loudly, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture says, 'out of his innermost being will flow rivers of living water."

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We just rewound the scrolls, and are starting over.

Redundant?

Boring?

same ol' same ol'?

[The scriptures, the Bible is unlike any other book. Re-read it and it opens NEW. Message today about newness of LIFE in Messiah!]

Aikha/Lam 3.21-26 This I recall to my heart—therefore I have hope: Because of the mercies of Adoni we will not be consumed, for **His compassions never fail.** They are new every morning! Great is Your faithfulness.

[It's morning L-rd! It's morning, O L-rd!]

Aikha/Lam 3.21-26 "Adoni is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him." Adoni is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good to wait quietly for the salvation of Adoni.

T'hillim/Ps 40.4-5 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our G-d. Many will look on in awe and put their trust in Adoni. How blessed the man who trusts in Adoni.

Matthew 13:52 Then He said to them, "Therefore every Torah scholar trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure both new things and old."

[Find things in the Bible, just weren't there before. Holiday at end of Passover week.]

Rev 21.5 Then the One sitting on the throne said, "Look! I am making everything new!"

Rev 21.3-4 "See! G-d's Sh'khinah is with mankind, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and he himself, G-d-with-them, will be their G-d. "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will no longer be any death; and there will no longer be any mourning, crying or pain; because the **old order has passed away**."

Rev 21.6-8 And he said to me, "It is done! I am the 'A' and the 'Z,' the Beginning and the End. **To** anyone who is thirsty I myself will give water free of charge from the Fountain of Life. He who wins the victory will receive these things, and I will be his G-d, [Water and renewal]

Rev 21.6-8 and he will be my son. But as for the cowardly, the untrustworthy, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those involved with the occult and with drugs, idol-worshippers, and all liars — their destiny is the lake burning with fire and sulfur, the second death."

Rev 22.1-3 Then the angel showed me a river of the water of life—bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of G-d and of the Lamb down the middle of the city's street. On either side of the river was a tree of life,

Rev 22.1-3 bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. **No longer will there be any curse.**

Entropy? Decay and disorder?

[Rewound to Bereisheet / Genesis: world fresh from hand of G-d. No weeds, no curse.]

Bereisheet /Gen 3.17-19 **The ground is cursed on your account**; you will work hard to eat from it as long as you live. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat field plants. You will eat bread by the sweat of your forehead till you return to the ground — for you were taken out of it: you are dust, and you will return to dust."

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G-d loves to see cultures renewed! First Great Awakening

The <u>First Great Awakening</u> (sometimes Great Awakening) or the Evangelical Revival was a series of religious revivals that swept Britain and its thirteen North American colonies **in the 1730s and 1740s**. The revival movement permanently affected Protestantism as adherents strove to renew individual piety and religious devotion.

[I read to you a few weeks ago of the moral degradation of 1700s Britain. Mistresses overtly in governor's mansions. Marriage scoffed at. Gambling, etc.]

Major leaders of the revival such as George Whitefield, John Wesley and Jonathan Edwards articulated a theology of revival and salvation that transcended denominational boundaries and helped forge a common evangelical identity. **Background of Declaration, Constitutional Convention.**

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

Second Great Awakening



The Second Great Awakening was a Protestant religious revival during the **early 1800s** in the United States. The Second Great Awakening, which spread religion through revivals and emotional preaching, sparked a number of reform movements.

Revivals were a key part of the movement and attracted hundreds of converts to new Protestant denominations. The Methodist Church used circuit riders to reach people in frontier locations. The Second Great Awakening led to a period of antebellum social

reform and an emphasis on salvation by institutions. Abolitionism [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_Great_Awakening]

Third Great Awakening

From George Whitten: <u>The third great awakening</u> took place during the late 1850s into the beginning of the 1900s. It was during this era that the wave of revivals sweeping America began spreading throughout the world. The era saw the abolition of slavery, women's right to vote, and the end of child labor in factories.



Fulton St. Revival NY, NY



It was exactly 12 noon on September 23, 1857. A tall, middle-aged former businessman climbed creaking stairs of the 88-year-old building to the third story in the heart of lower New York City.

The placard outside read: "Prayer Meeting from 12 to 1 o'clock—Stop 5, 10, or 20 minutes, or the whole hour, as your time admits." Old families had moved away. The business neighborhood was teeming with a floating population of immigrants and laborers. Other congregations had gotten out. Many thought that Old Dutch should throw in the towel.

[Probably Irish immigrants. The Great Famine, or the Great Hunger, was a period in Ireland between 1845 and 1849 of mass starvation, disease, and emigration.]

The minute hand of his watch pointed to 12:30 when at last he heard a step on the stairs. One man came in, then another and another until there were six. After a few minutes of prayer the

meeting was dismissed with the decision that another meeting would be held the following Wednesday.

Twenty men came to his second noon-hour meeting. The following Wednesday, forty. Lanphier decided to make the meeting a daily event in a larger room. That very week—on Wednesday, October 14, 1857— the nation was staggered by the worst financial panic in its history. Banks closed, men were out of work, families went hungry.

[What we now call market crashes were formerly called "panics."]

In a short time, the Fulton Street meeting had taken over the whole building with crowds of more than 3,000. Within six months 10,000 businessmen (out of a population of 800,000) were gathering daily in New York City for prayer. In January 1858 there were at least twenty other prayer meetings going full tilt in the city.

[Now NYC famous for 8 million population]

One time a man wandered into the Fulton Street meeting who intended to murder a woman and then commit suicide. He listened as someone was delivering a fervent exhortation and urging the duty of repentance. Suddenly the would-be murderer startled everyone by crying out, "Oh! What shall I do to be saved!"

Early in 1858 the revival power poured over the Appalachian Mountains and into the West. Every major town fell before it—Cleveland, Cincinnati, Detroit, Indianapolis, Minneapolis, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha—and on to the Pacific Coast. In Chicago, 2,000 showed up for prayer in the Metropolitan Theater.

The Revival of 1857-58 was the last great national revival. But it by no means closes the story of revival in America.

Is G-d done hearing prayer?

[http://www.cslewisinstitute.org/webfm_send/577]

Opposition?

Abraham Lincoln called for a national day of prayer when we were losing the Civil War. On April 30, 1863, Ulysses S Grant had tried five times to beat the Confederacy, after the day of prayer on May 1, 1863, he finally won a victory. It was called the battle of Port Gibson, the first of five victories that helped in the taking of Vicksburg. Everything turned around after the national day of prayer.

[from Vicki Kline]

George Mueller began a movement of orphanages and Christian schools, and amazingly, was accused of raising the poor out of their 'station in life' as he educated over 120,000 children. [Third great awakening]

Elsewhere in Great Britain, William Booth's Salvation Army outreach was birthed out of the third great awakening. His concern for rampant alcoholism led to the prohibition movement of the 1930s. Riding on a wagon through the streets, Booth called on alcoholics to stop drinking and come to faith in Messiah. His success led former drunks to coin the phrase, "I'm on the wagon."

Meanwhile, in China, Hudson Taylor led an evangelical movement in the Far East, another arm of the "awakening."

And D.L. Moody, Charles Spurgeon, and R.A. Torrey were leading revivals throughout the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia. D.L. Moody rarely spoke of His Baptism in the Spirit which took place in New York just after his church was burned down in the great Chicago fire of 1871. It radically changed his ministry, earning him the moniker "Crazy Moody." Yet, his preaching brought thousands to faith, and Moody Bible Institute in Chicago has educated thousands more for ministry since its birth.

The third great awakening saw G-d radically empowering believers by His Spirit to usher in a harvest in their generation which continues to impact society today.

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Opposition today?

Today [Oct. 8, 2020], Agudath Israel of America filed a lawsuit in federal court, asking for a temporary restraining order to bar the State of New York from enforcing its limits on houses of worship attendance in certain areas of the state.

[Agudath Israel of America was founded in 1922 to serve as Orthodox Jewry's umbrella organization on the continent where the majority of Jews in the Diaspora are proud to call home.]



The limits, announced by Governor Andrew Cuomo just two days ago, would cap Shul and other houses of worship attendance in so-called "red zones" to ten individuals.

With Hoshanah Rabbah, Shemini Atzeres, and Simchas Torah holidays beginning tomorrow, October 9th, these limits would, according to just one of the points made in the lawsuit, disrupt the religious observance of tens of thousands of Orthodox Jews, "depriving them of their religious worship and holiday observance."

The memorandum argues that the Executive Order's restrictions unconstitutionally discriminate against religious practice while simultaneously permitting comparable secular conduct.

Moreover, the restrictions violate Free Exercise rights because they appear to target conduct due to their religious motivation.

[https://thejewishvoice.com/2020/10/agudath-israel-sues-ny-state-over-shul-restrictions-in-deemed-red-zones/]



https://players.brightcove.net/5194481742001/S1peRoq6q_default/index.html?videoId=6198912895001

There were 59 million Christians who did not vote in 2016. I urge you to vote as if life depends on it—because it does.

[https://www.charismanews.com/politics/elections/82902-vice-president-pence-dedicates-debate-to-kayla-mueller?utm_source=Charisma%20News%20Daily&utm_medium=email&utm_content=subscriber_id:5160390&utm_campaign=CNO%20daily%20-%202020-10-09]

Two Jews to decide between: [Visions of salvation]

- King Messiah Yeshua
- Karl Marx

Pray as if it's life threatening to you, your family and our nation, because it is! Sid Roth said, "In November, I'm not going to vote a person. I am voting issues.

· I'm voting for funding the police and for law and order.

- I'm voting for the military and the veterans who fought for and died for this country.
- I'm voting for the freedom to worship in our synagogues and churches.
- I'm voting for capitalism and the American dream.
- I'm voting for the right to praise my G-d.
- I'm voting for our country to be pro-Israel.
- I'm voting for the right to speak my opinion and not be censored.
- I'm voting for secure borders.
- I'm voting for every unborn life.
- · I'm voting for our flag.
- · I'm voting for the second amendment.
- · I'm voting for good and against evil.
- I'm voting to stop child sex trafficking."

[https://youtu.be/sOOGnkXL6iU]

(Worthy News) - The federal deficit for fiscal year 2020 was \$3.1 trillion, triple last year's figure, the Congressional Budget Office estimated Thursday.

The shortfall for the fiscal year, which ended on Sept. 30, was the largest since 1945, relative to the size of the economy, driven in large part by pandemic relief spending.

For the first half of the year, the deficit was only up 8% on the year. In the second half, it was eight times larger. (Source: *Washington Examiner*)

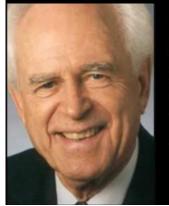
[https://www.worthynews.com/53338-federal-deficit-tripled-to-3-1-trillion-in-fiscal-year-2020-largest-as-share-of-the-economy-since-world-war-ii]

G-d is in the business of transforming culture. Ultimately, He wants to restore us to Gan Eden, in the Kingdom!

Steps to outreach ...

Key steps of outreach: [Larry Tomczak]

1. Proclamation: Lk 4.18 "The Ruakh Adoni is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim Good News to the poor. Ps 96.2-3 Sing to Adoni, bless His Name. Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.



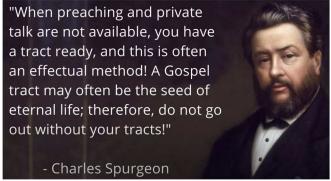
"It is characteristic of our natural sluggishness and laziness to put off the work of evangelism. By cunning calculations and clever rationalizations, we talk ourselves out of the urgency of the task and the demand upon our time, talents, and treasures. How we need to ask the Holy Spirit to rid us of all unbelief, indifference, prejudice and hardheartedness."

- Stephen Olford

2. Relationship 90% people won.

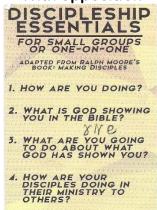


- 3. Providence: Ché Ahn at rock concert. Squanto.
- [3. Someone turned around said, "You don't belong here." Squanto enslaved by Spanish, then English missionaries, then returning to own people, ravished by disease, pilgrims needed.]
- 4. Diligence: Coal miner's daughter story.
- 5. Inconvenient: Krispy Kreme
- 6. Literature ready: Moishe Rosen, General who launched Pearl Harbor attack.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yvO938h0Y1o]

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"G-d didn't call us to going camping but He did call us to go fishing." Steve Patterson [https://www.courageouschristianfather.com/god-didnt-call-us-to-go-camping/]



