



Baruch atah Adonai Elochenu, Melech ha-olam, Who has made His everlasting covenant with His servant Yisrael: "I will bless those who bless you, but I will curse anyone who curses you; and by you all the families of the earth will be blessed. ... May peoples serve you and nations bow down to you. May you be lord over your kinsmen, let your mother's descendants bow down to you. Cursed be everyone who curses you, and blessed be everyone who blesses you!"

— Genesis 12:3; 27:29, *The Complete Jewish Bible*

## If you aren't familiar with Messianic Judaism, you probably don't know that ...

- ... nobody who knew the Messiah in the flesh ever called Him "Jesus."
- ... it is grammatically impossible to say the words "Jesus" or "Jehovah" in Hebrew, the language of the first-century "church."
- ... Yeshua (Jesus) and His Talmidim (Disciples) were all Torah-observant Jews who never became "Christians."
- ... Rabbi Sha'ul (the Apostle Paul) returned to Jerusalem from one of his missionary journeys to offer sacrifices in the Temple, proving that he never taught that the "Law of Moses" had been abolished.
- ... until well after the end of the first century, almost all the followers of Messiah were Jewish, and "The Way" (as Messianic Judaism was then called) continued to be predominately Jewish until well into the fourth century CE/AD.
- ... a Jewish Believer in Messiah doesn't become a Christian and stop being a Jew.
- ... when Ruach HaKodesh (the Holy Spirit) came at Pentecost, the Jews upon whom He "fell" did not become "Christians" and that event did not "give birth to the church."
- ... the Bible does not apply the word "Christian" to believing Jews, only to believing Gentiles, and even then it is a only translation of the term "Messianic" into Greek, and may even have been used as a derogatory term.
- ... the "church," as we know it, did not come into existence until the fourth century.
- ... the word "church" in the so-called "New Testament" is a false translation of the same word used in the so-called "Old Testament" for the Holy Convocations of Israel. The true "church" is therefore Israel.
- ... in the Messianic Kingdom [usually called "the Kingdom Age" by most Gentile theologians], Jews and Gentiles will worship Yeshua together and offer animal sacrifices in the Jerusalem Temple.
- ... there is a form of true Biblical faith today in which Jews and Gentiles can worship side-by-side as one in Yeshua the Messiah.

It's name is Messianic Jusaism, and it is practiced today essentially as it was practiced by Yeshua and his first Talmidim. Of course, some things will have to wait until Messiah restores the Temple.



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