**Understanding Atonement**

On September 13-14, 2013, is Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement stipulated in the Torah. This Day of Atonement is a prophetic reality – an **actual Memorial** **[see Exodus 3:15 & John 17:6 and 26]** that stands in the Witness of the Blood of YESHUA in our inward parts **[see 1 John 5:10a, 8, NKJV; Revelation 3:14b]**.

In Leviticus 17:11 [NKJV] YHWH declares: **< 11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it *is* the blood *that* makes atonement [recompense] for the soul.' >**

The Blood of YESHUA was **predestined** to fulfill this **prophetic Memorial reality** of atonement that Leviticus 17:11 opens.

In this prophetic Memorial expression **[see Ex 3:15 + John 17:6a & 26]** of atonement, the fulfillment of the Law [the Torah] is opened into human reality **[see Matthew 5:17-18] in the Witness of Blood in the inward parts** **[see Leviticus 3:1-5; John 14:27; 16:13b; Leviticus 23:19b; 1 John 5:10a, 8, NKJV]**.

Revelation 13:8 **[NKJV]** speaks of: **“the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”** YESHUA the High Priest shed His own Blood to **make atonement** for our souls **[see Heb 7:26-28; 9:11-12; 10:14]**, in the kind intentions and counsels of the FATHER’s Will proclaimed from the foundation of the world.

Romans 5:8-11 **[KJV]** explains the atonement that is opened to us – **by faith** in the LORD JESUS CHRIST: **< 8 But God commendeth [NASB: GOD demonstrates] his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood** [which speaks better than the blood of Abel – see Heb 12:24]**, we shall be saved from wrath through him. 10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. 11 And not only *so,* but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement. >**

We appropriate [take hold of] this reality of atonement: **“through faith in His Blood”** [see Romans 3:25b, **KJV**]. The evidence of this atonement is the peace that passes all understanding being resident in our witness [see 1 John 5:10a, **NKJV**].

Romans 3:23-26 **[KJV]** declares: **< 23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; 24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption [flowing out of the reality of atonement that YESHUA has made] that is in Christ Jesus: 25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation [appeasement] through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness [because it is the righteous witness of YESHUA’s Blood that mandates - through the actual fulfillment of the Law proclaimed in His death and resurrection - the actuality of atonement] for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; 26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. >**

Through repentance we maintain – through faith in His Blood – the atonement of our sins in the eternal and abiding dynamic of YESHUA’s one sacrifice **[see Heb 10:14]**, in the understanding that a process of change and transformation stands over our lives in the righteousness of YHWH, who has chosen to save us in the atoning power of the Blood of the LAMB by working into the fabric of our being the Testimony of YESHUA.

How does atonement work?

The atoning power of YESHUA’s Blood is the spiritual conduit for YHWH’s Righteousness operating in our lives. YHWH’s Righteousness operates in, and according to, the Testimony of JESUS that we have appropriated [taken hold of] and will continue to appropriate - by faith.

Atonement is sanctioned in the Righteousness of YHWH – operating through the Testimony of YESHUA – which has the potential of transforming our lives so that we are created [see Ephesians 2:10] in the **image** of YESHUA MASHIAH **[see Romans 8:29]** as **we actualize His fullness** **[see John 1:16-17, NASB/NKJV/KJV] in a heart of flesh [see 2 Cor 3:3, NKJV]** in fulfillment of the Law **[see Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; 2 Cor 3:3, NKJV; Matthew 5:17-18]**.

And, in the fulfillment of the Law, all of the Prophets are opened to fulfillment **[see Hebrews 1:1-3; 2 Corinthians1:20]** in us and through us according to YESHUA’s call on our life **[see Eph 1:18-19] and His power working within us [see Eph 3:20; Heb 1:3b] – mightily [see Col 1:29]**.

We actualize the fullness of JESUS CHRIST by **substance** and **witness** opened into our being by a faith, actually authored and finished by JESUS CHRIST **[see Heb 12:2a]**, in a living witness **[see 1 John 5:10a, 8, NKJV]** operating by the SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS **[see Romans 8:2]** that is the functional evidence of our faith in JESUS CHRIST.

This functional evidence operates in a Shabbat-Shalom in our inward parts. This evidence of the Shabbat-Shalom in our inward parts is our justification in the fulfillment of the Law.

The Shabbat-Shalom is the actuality of the atoning power of YESHUA’s Blood operating in us – by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS **[see Romans 8:2]** -– grace upon grace. **Amen [see Rev 3:14b]!**

In this Shabbat-Shalom we operate in a Kingdom Dynamic in a new and living way. As Hebrews 10:19-25 **[NKJV]** declares: **< 19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and *having* a High Priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of *our* hope without wavering, for He who promised *is* faithful. 24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as *is* the manner of some, but exhorting *one another,* and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. >**

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