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The Season to Fire up Favor Zion (a very short lived retirement!)

So we all know that full retirement is not really a Biblical concept. The Levites were instructed at age 50 to stop doing the heavy lifting (Numbers 8:23-26), but it was written that they could, “minister with their brethren in the tabernacle to attend to their needs.”

So on July 4 of this year, I retired from 19 + years as a Planned Giving Director for a very large International Christian Charity, and thought I could coast for a bit- I used the word sabbatical. Not sure that it was really a Biblical concept but in my human reasoning I felt that I “deserved” it. Here was my thinking: **I, me, me, mine-** after all I earned it since I had been working non-stop for over 50 years. While I thought I would just continue recording *Messianic Minutes* with my partner of 30 years, Jeffrey D. Miller, and that I would continue as an Elder at Rosh Pina Congregation in Baltimore, I would limit my speaking in churches and on radio and tv. I would pull back from the fight, and I would kinda go gently into that good night of old age.

Those were my (non-biblical) thoughts, but bless Adonai for He says: For My thoughts are not your thoughts nor are your ways My ways, but My thoughts and Ways are higher than you and your thinking, human reasoning, and understanding. (Is 55:8-9.) I had forgotten the example of Caleb (and Moses and Abraham, and so many others.)

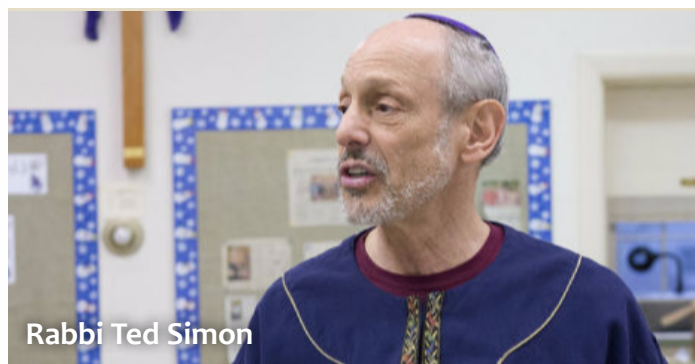
Within a few months I have been called to re-engage in the fight. Adonai has equipped me and the entire Favor Zion Team, with the Biblical understanding of Covenant, Teamwork, and with the zeal to continue in the work of ministry. This includes reaching out to the Churches, and to the public in general to tell the Jewishness of Jesus, the Blessings of God's promises to Israel and to preach Good News to those who are in bondage.

You are part of our Team! I am asking you for your help - to join our team, to:

1. Pray: Now is the time to Favor Zion. These are dangerous times and we need the Anointing and Protection of Adonai. Your prayers are powerful and so appreciated.

2. Open doors where Favor Zion can speak and teach (preach and conduct Seminars). You know Pastors and Station Managers and Colleges that we don't! We really need you!

Psalm 102 Verse 13: Oh, Lord, You will arise and have mercy on Zion: for it is time to Favor Zion, the set time, has come.



Rabbi Ted Simon

3. Give Financially. Starting back up to full speed with a team and ministry requires substantial costs. I am so grateful to those who have been supporting Favor Zion for years without interruption as you have enabled the Word to go out and the ministry to continue. Now we are in a new Season of all out undivided focus for Israel, God's Covenant Faithfulness. The Church and The Jewish people in these Last Days. We need to get the Biblical Truth out to Christians and not-yet Believers.

These are The Days of Elijah. We are praying that all of us together will see Adonai's Kingdom Expand and a World- wide Awakening and Revival. These are challenging and yet exciting times, times that prophets of old longed to see!

I thank our God for you, my friends.

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The importance of the (ENTIRE) Christmas Story

Who doesn't love the Christmas story? Mary and Joseph, angels and shepherds, wise men and a manger... and the birth of Messiah. Reading Luke chapter 2 makes us all shout: "Glory to God in the Highest!"

Yet too many people stop before what (this year in particular) is a most important continuation of The Story and evidence of Adonai's Faithfulness.

You see after, the shepherds returned glorifying God for all the things they had heard and seen, the story continues in Luke chapter 2 verse 21:

And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the child, His name was called Yeshua (Jesus) the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

Jesus was circumcised! He was circumcised because of Adonai's Covenant Promises to Abraham (Isaac and Jacob.) Abraham and all of the Jewish people are required by Covenant to circumcise their male children, while God has required Himself to keep His Covenant of Blessing to Abraham, making him a great nation, blessing those who bless Abraham (cursing those who curse him) and giving the Promised Land to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and their descendants after them forever.

Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day as a covenant sign! A quick reminder, a Covenant is an unbreakable oath. It is not predicated on situational societal morality or human logic or feeling - it is a binding promise: God makes a Covenant and He keeps His Word!

This season, this Kairos moment in which we are living, compels us to Trust that the God of The Bible is the One and True God and He is faithful to watch over His Word to perform it. That Jesus was Circumcised as told in the Christmas Story is a fresh reminder to us that we serve a God who can do above and beyond what we can think or imagine... The Jewish Apostle Paul wrote: "Let God be True and every man a liar" meaning that God always keeps His Word and remains faithful to His people... that is why His Words and judgements are justified."

There is a Spiritual Battle, but know that just as Jesus was circumcised as a Child of Promise, He is now our Risen Messiah and Captain of the Armies of Heaven (Adonai TZivaot!) Through our God we shall do valiantly; for it is He who treads down our enemies (Ps 60:12).



Shalom Chaveirim

"Shalom Chaveirim" Hello to you, my friends, is how I begin every *Messianic Minutes* broadcast. It is a greeting of Peace and Joy to you, my dear friends!. Chaveirim is a word reserved for people who have a special connection. We have a special connection and it is one of unity in The Spirit.

Since resuming this newsletter, I have been so touched to hear back from so many of you: my friends and like minded partners who proclaim together: Now is the time to Favor Zion. If you could see my face you would see my eyes lighting up as I think about you. I have a joy, a chesed, in knowing that we stand together and we are connected in John 17 Unity. We are so united in our vision to see the works of evil destroyed and The Kingdom of our Lord to Advance.

We so believe that Now is the time to Favor Zion, that we are using every means Adonai makes available to us to proclaim His Truth. Through our God we shall do valiantly for it is He who treads down the enemy! (Psalm 60)

Together, as friends, as co-laborers, as Followers of Yeshua, we proclaim: The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdom of our Lord and His Messiah, and He shall reign forever and ever!