



Without a wedding garment!

"Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding garment?" Matthew 22:12 KJV





These words are taken from the parable of the king's feast in Matthew chapter 22. As the story develops, the original invited guests end up outside the wedding hall while those who were invited from the highways and byways end up enjoying the bliss of fellowship with the bridegroom.





Just for clarification, before I continue: In my studies I use YHVH (I pronounce the 4 Hebrew letters of Yod Hay Vav Hay as Yahuah) instead of LORD, which is a title - not a name. I also use Yahusha instead of Jesus, which is not a translation but a transliteration. The name Jesus really has no meaning, in Hebrew nor in English! YHVH and Yahusha are the actual original Hebrew names that speak of our Savior's true nature and character.



Yahusha told three parables when challenged by the religious leaders in the temple.

The first parable was about "the Two Sons" in regards to their rejection of John the Baptist in Matthew 21:28-32

The second parable was about "the Wicked Vinedressers" described how God would reject them, because they had rejected His prophets, and ultimately His own Son in Matthew 21:33-46

The third parable is about "The Wedding Feast", describing the wickedness and rebelliousness of the religious leaders in Matthew 22:1-14.



Yahusha told these parables primarily to the chief priests and the Pharisees.

This parable is similar to the parable of the Great Banquet recorded in Luke 14:15-24. The kingdom of heaven is likened to a wedding feast in Matthew 22:1-2. Isaiah used the figure of a feast to prophecy of the Messianic age in Isaiah 25:6. The Book of Revelation describes a future marriage of the Lamb and His bride in Revelation 19:7.







The first invitation was given to Israel. The Bible states that He came to that which was his own, but He was not received (John I:11). Israel held the invitation to the kingdom. They held the written Torah, Yahuah's instructions, but when Yahusha, the living Torah appeared (Mathew 3:1), they refused to believe and accept Him. They were indifferent and rebellious. Many prophets, including John the Baptist, had been murdered.

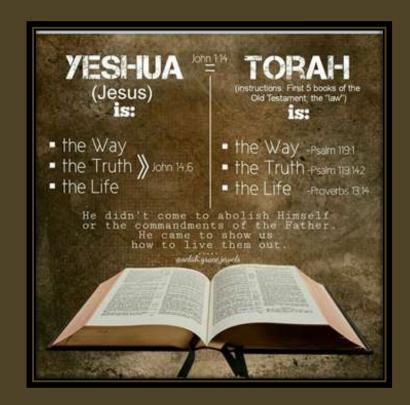




Before I continue, I need to clarify why Yahusha is the living Torah. He said in John 14:6 "I am the way, the truth, and the life!"

Here is what Scripture says about the written Torah that was given by Yahuah (Yahusha) through Moses:

In Psalms 119:1 it states: "Blessed are the perfect in the way, who walk in the Torah of יהוה (Yahuah)" *The Scriptures.* The Torah is "the Way" according to this verse.

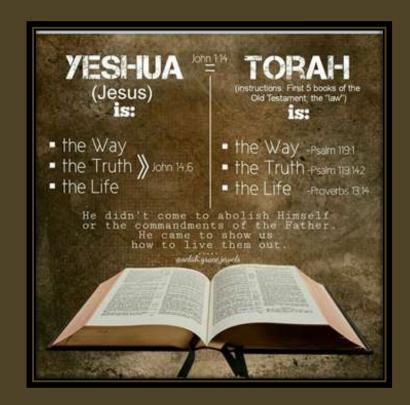




Then in Psalms 119:142 we read: "Your righteousness is righteousness forever, And Your Torah is truth." The Scriptures – The Torah is "the Truth!"

In Proverbs 13: 14 it says: "The Torah of the wise is a fountain of life, turning one away from the snares of death."

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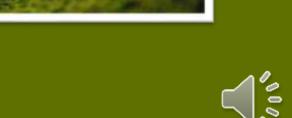


We can see that Yahusha is "the way, the truth and the life!" and the Torah is "the way, the truth and the life!" Over and over again in the Scriptures what is called the Way, the Truth and the Life and even the Light is his Torah.



This is being confirmed in John chapter 1:1-5 where it states: "In the beginning was the Word (the Torah), and the Word (the Torah) was with God, and the Word (Torah) was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. 4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness

comprehended it not." KJV
Our Savior Yahusha was the living Word, He was a
Torah observant, tallit wearing, synagogue
attending, Sabbath and feast-keeping, kosher Jew
who definitely observed the seven commanded
holy days and He invites His followers to be like
HIM and to follow His example.



The second invitation was extended to Christianity as a whole that claims to have replaced the Jewish people. Christians claim to accept the Messiah, but reject the written Torah that was given through Moses. They claim that the Torah is Jewish and does not apply to Christians. That means when Christianity rejects the written Torah, they are rejecting Yahusha, the living Torah as well, because these two cannot be separated.





Christians, for the most part do not walk in Torah, they do not keep the Biblical feasts, the seventh day Sabbath, nor do they abide by the dietary laws! In reality modern day "Christianity" has very little in common with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.





The third invitation is not being given to any specific organization, Church or Nation, but it is being given to individuals, to anyone and everyone in this world, both good and bad that his servants can find. The Bible calls them the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.





Who are the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind mentioned in Scripture?

These are the rejected, the despised, the outcast, the depraved, and the neglected and the abused in the world like Yahusha was, when here on earth. These were the people that were looked down upon, maybe like the despised publicans and sinners? They are scattered like the sheep, which have no shepherd.





Some of these are the ones that had been disfellowshipped from the synagogues, from the established churches and denominations, because they refused to follow the doctrines and commandments of man or their established creeds. These are those that were not defiled with women (with Churchianity). These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.





When there still was room in the wedding hall, it states: "And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Luke 14:22-23 KJV. And the house was eventually filled with guests.





During the feast the king noticed a man "who was not wearing the required wedding garment". When asked how he came to be there without that furnished attire, the man was "speechless", because he had no excuse.





The Bible continues in verse 13 "Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." KJV It was an offense to the king not to wear the furnished attire as he was removed from the celebration.





What is that wedding garment, which this man refused to wear?

In the book of Revelation, we see those in heaven wearing "white robes" (Revelation 7:9) and we learn that the whiteness of the robes is due to their first being washed in the blood of the Lamb (verse 14) and secondly it is signified by the Fine Linen bright and clean, which is the righteousness of the saints (Revelation 19:8). This is accomplished through the process of sanctification, which is being done through Yahusha by His Ruach Ha Chodesh, His Spirit.



Another explanation how sanctification takes place we find in John 17:17. Yahusha said in His prayer to His Father: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."
Man is being sanctified, made holy, set apart by obedience to Yahuah's Word.





It is not enough to just say and outwardly confirm, it is the action of putting heart and soul into following His instructions! We are to love Yahuah, even unto death, to love to the point of putting ourselves at risk for others, holding nothing back that He says to do. His followers are to speak the truth in kindness and boldness. They are to risk everything so that others might be educated in scriptural truth.





This is the surpassing righteousness of the overcoming believers as seen in Matthew 5:20 "For I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." KJV





The man not clothed with the furnished wedding garment obviously accepted the invitation to attend the wedding feast, but he refused to put on the wedding garment, he refused to have His Life changed by the Messiah. He had accepted the justification part but not the sanctification part, which comes through obedience to His Word, the Torah. He refused to apply it to his life.

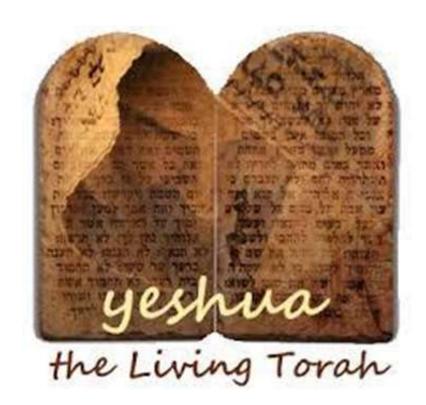


Let's be reminded again that Yahusha was a Torah observant, tallit wearing, synagogue attending, Sabbath and feast-keeping, kosher Jew who observed the seven commanded holy days and His followers will be like HIM, doing exactly the same.





Even today Yahusha is inviting His followers to come to His feasts, like the weekly Sabbath and His yearly appointed times. He put a special blessing on these gatherings and it is truly a privilege to be invited by the Creator of the universe to meet with him during these gatherings.





In Revelation 19:9 it states: "...Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb..." and also blessed are those, who accept the invitation to celebrate His feasts even today, which are dress rehearsals.





Dress rehearsals are practice sessions to prepare for the real thing! When you are in a play, you have to go through a dress rehearsal so you know what to do, when the real performance takes place.

For 1,500 years the Jews killed the Passover lamb on Nisan 14, because 1,500 years later the real Passover lamb was going to die on Nisan 14, the same day and the same hour exactly as had been rehearsed for 1,500 years.

The same applies to a musical performance, you have dress rehearsals so everyone knows their place and their notes etc. So we are told to practice for the last great event, the Second Coming!



When we submit to Yahusha, our heart is united with His heart, our will is being merged in His will, our mind becomes one with His mind, our thoughts are brought into captivity to Him; we live His life, we follow in His footsteps. This is what it means to be clothed with the garment of His righteousness. This is the wedding garment, perfect obedience to His Torah.





Adam and Eve lost Eden because of disobedience to Yahuah's Word and our only hope to regain Eden is through obedience to His Word after our past sins have been confessed, forsaken and forgiven through the blood of the Lamb.



Living a life of obedience to His Torah is a life-long task. Yahusha stated in Matthew 10:22 "... ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved." KJV



Just as a Father will kick a 17 year old mouthing-off teenager out of the house for continued disrespect and disobedience, so will our heavenly Father do the same to anyone, who continues to rebel and thumbs his nose at what he calls, the Way, the Truth and the Life.

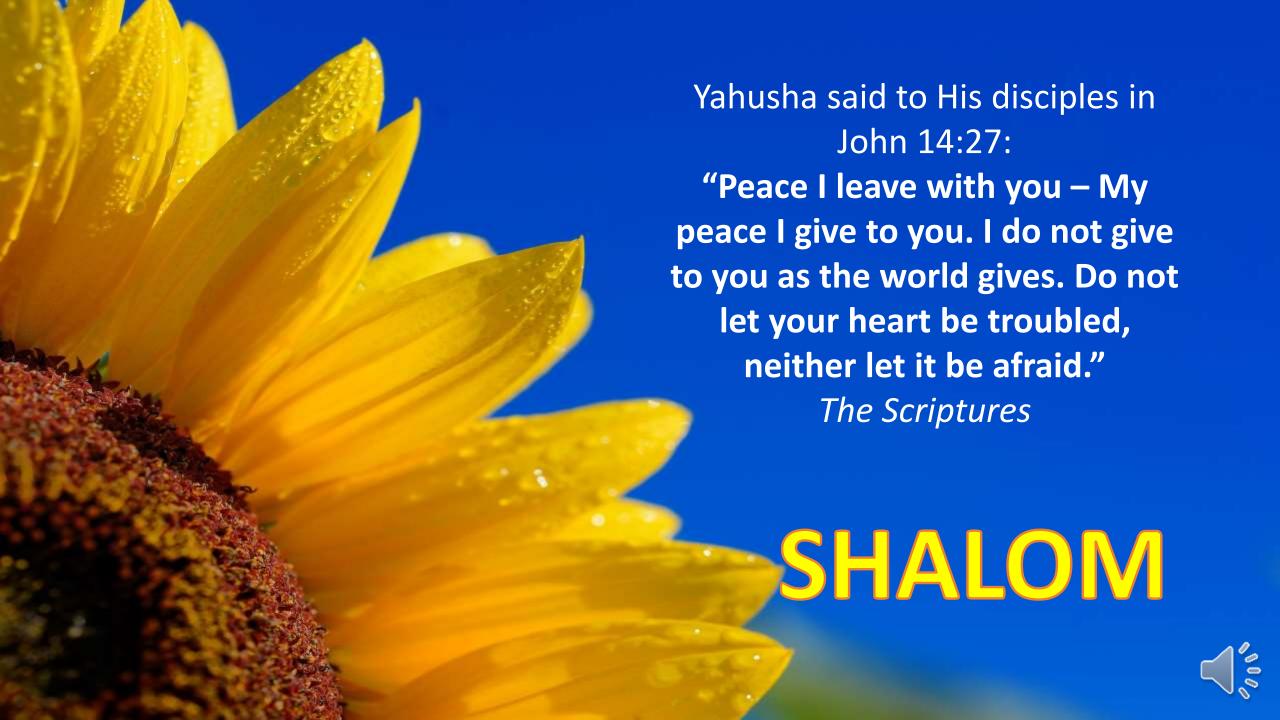
This is according to Matthew 7:23, where Yahusha stated: "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity (In Greek 'Ye that are without Torah')." KJV



"For many are called (invited), but few are chosen." Matthew 22:14 KJY







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