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### **First Mention**

And this shall be a statute forever unto you: that in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:

For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the Lord.

It shall be a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute forever.

And <u>the priest</u>, <u>whom he shall anoint</u>, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, <u>shall make the atonement</u>, and shall put on the linen clothes, even the holy garments:

And he shall <u>make an atonement for the holy sanctuary</u>, and he shall make an atonement for the <u>tabernacle</u> of the congregation, and for the <u>altar</u>, and he shall make an atonement for the <u>priests</u>, and for <u>all the people</u> of the congregation.

Leviticus 16:29-33

#### **Atonement Instructions**

- <sup>26</sup> And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,
- <sup>27</sup> Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall <u>afflict your souls</u>, and <u>offer an offering made by fire</u> unto the Lord.
- <sup>28</sup> And <u>ye shall do no work</u> in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the Lord your God.
- <sup>29</sup> For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.
- <sup>30</sup> And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people.
- <sup>31</sup> Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
- <sup>32</sup> It shall be unto you a <u>sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath</u>.
- <sup>37</sup> These are the feasts of the Lord, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, everything upon his day:
- <sup>38</sup> Beside the sabbaths of the Lord, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the Lord.

Leviticus 23:26-38

And ye shall have on the tenth day of this seventh month an holy convocation; and ye shall afflict your souls: ye shall not do any work therein:

Numbers 29:7

<u>Afflict H6031</u>: to depress literally or figuratively, abase self, chasten self, deal hardly with, exercise, force, gentleness, humble (self), hurt, submit self, weaken.

#### Instructions in Context

- <sup>24</sup> Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, <u>In the seventh month</u>, in the first day of the month, <u>shall ye have a sabbath</u>, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.
- <sup>25</sup> Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord.
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- <sup>33</sup> And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,
- <sup>34</sup> Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the Lord.
- <sup>35</sup> On the first day shall be an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.
- <sup>36</sup> Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein.
- <sup>37</sup> These are the feasts of the Lord, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, everything upon his day:
- <sup>38</sup> Beside the sabbaths of the Lord, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the Lord.

- <sup>39</sup> Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the Lord seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath.
- <sup>40</sup> And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days.
- <sup>41</sup> And ye shall keep it a feast unto the Lord seven days in the year. It shall be a statute forever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.
- <sup>42</sup> Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths:
- <sup>43</sup> That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.
- <sup>44</sup> And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the feasts of the Lord.

Leviticus 23:24-44

<u>Day of Trumpets</u>: Memorial blowing, the Trumpet call of YHVH-His Judgement is coming upon the earth.

<u>Day of Atonement</u>: Wrath of YHVH poured out on the disobedience-purify the earth for His Kingdom: Last Trumpet blown in Jubilee.

<u>Feast of Tabernacles</u>: Wedding Banquet of the Lamb, when YHVH fulfills His Kingdom Promise of dwelling/tabernacling with His people here on earth forever.

### Affliction in Preparation for YHVH's Promised Kingdom

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, <u>Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.</u>

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Revelation 21:1-7

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:12-16

### **Thoughts**

- Atonement is meant to cleanse us from our sins so that we can present ourselves setapart, holy, before our God.
- > The High Priest is to make atonement for YHVH's sanctuary, tabernacle, altar, priests and all the people of the congregation.
- > Once a year, we are to memorialize this day when God's Hight priest makes atonement for us, to cleanse us from sin.

### Final Day of Atonement in the Jubilee

And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.

Leviticus 25:8-10

### **Thoughts**

- > YHVH works in patterns and cycles-study His Jubilee
- ➤ His annual Day of Atonement is a routine cleansing which culminates in the Jubilee when true liberty and freedom are proclaimed. Everyone in YHVH's Kingdom will be returned to their possession of land and family.
- > Jesus IS RETURNING and will restore the righteous to their possession.
- This comes AFTER the wrath of God is poured out as judgement for sin.
- Scripture Interprets Scripture: Afflict thyself-Is Fasting Enough?

### Type of Affliction/Fast YHVH Desires

Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?

Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

Isaiah 53:5-7

Cry aloud, spare not, <u>lift up thy voice like a trumpet</u>, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God.

Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and thou seest not? wherefore have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge?

Behold, in the day of your fast, ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours.

Isaiah 58:1-3

For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge! In all things ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

2 Corinthians 7:10-11

<u>Submit</u> yourselves therefore <u>to God</u>. <u>Resist the devil</u>, and he will flee from you.

<u>Draw nigh to God</u>, and he will draw nigh to you. <u>Cleanse</u> your hands, ye sinners; and <u>purify</u> your hearts, ye double minded.

<u>Be afflicted</u>, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

James 4:7-10

But without faith it is impossible to please him (God): for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

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.

And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Romans 5:7-10

But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:22-23

For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,

Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you.

Moreover, he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:

Hebrews 9:22-24

But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

1 Thessalonians 5:8-11

As righteousness tendeth to life: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own death.

The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath.

Proverbs 11:19; 23

### **Thoughts**

As we afflict our souls and count the cost of our sin, let us humble ourselves, confess our sins, repent and turn back to God so that we can become His servant, tending to life, desiring only good, inheriting eternal life.