

## THE PHYSICAL CIRCUMCISION IS STILL VALID FOR ALL BELIEVERS IN YEHOShUA, JEWISH AND GENTILE, NOW AND IN THE MESSIANIC MILLENNIAL KINGDOM!

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The physical circumcision, by the Letter of the Written Torah, will absolutely still be valid and needed even in the Messianic Kingdom (although Paul in the New Testament certainly doesn't seem to think so...). The physical circumcision starts in the Book of Genesis, the entire chapter 17, to Abraham and all the males of his seed and his household. Verse 12 states this about his household: "...he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which [is] not of thy seed. He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money..." (**Notice that it was NEVER ONLY FOR THE ACTUAL DESCENDANTS OF ABRAHAM, but also for those who are joined to Abraham within certain qualifications.**) It continues and is expanded through Exodus 12:40-49, at the Exodus from Egypt in the beginning of the Mosaic Covenant, even for all the strangers who desired to live among and be completely joined to the nation of Israel. IT IS EMBEDDED IN THE WRITTEN TORAH OF THE MOSAIC COVENANT IN LEVITICUS 12:1-3 FOR ALL OF ISRAEL.

Let us look at each of these in order.

### The Abrahamic Covenant states this:

[Genesis 17:1-27 KJV] "1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I [am] the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. 3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, 4 **AS FOR ME, BEHOLD, MY COVENANT [IS] WITH THEE, AND THOU SHALT BE A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS.** 5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. 6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. 7 **And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.** 8 **And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.** 9 **AND GOD SAID UNTO ABRAHAM, THOU SHALT KEEP MY COVENANT THEREFORE, THOU, AND THY SEED AFTER THEE IN THEIR GENERATIONS.** 10 **THIS [IS] MY COVENANT, WHICH YE SHALL KEEP, BETWEEN ME AND YOU AND THY SEED AFTER THEE; EVERY MAN CHILD AMONG YOU SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED.** 11 **AND YE SHALL CIRCUMCISE THE FLESH OF YOUR FORESKIN; AND IT SHALL BE A TOKEN OF THE COVENANT BETWIXT ME AND YOU.** 12 **AND HE THAT IS EIGHT DAYS OLD SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED AMONG YOU, EVERY MAN CHILD IN YOUR GENERATIONS, HE THAT IS BORN IN THE HOUSE, OR BOUGHT WITH MONEY OF ANY STRANGER, WHICH [IS] NOT OF THY SEED.** 13 **HE THAT IS BORN IN THY HOUSE, AND HE THAT IS BOUGHT WITH THY MONEY, MUST NEEDS BE CIRCUMCISED: AND **MY COVENANT SHALL BE IN YOUR FLESH FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT.**** 14 **AND THE UNCIRCUMCISED MAN CHILD WHOSE FLESH OF HIS FORESKIN IS NOT CIRCUMCISED, THAT SOUL SHALL BE CUT OFF FROM HIS PEOPLE; HE HATH BROKEN MY COVENANT.** 15 And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah [shall] her name [be]. 16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be [a mother] of nations; kings of people shall be of her. 17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall [a child] be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear? 18 And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee! 19 **And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, [and] with his seed after him.** 20 And as for

Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation. 21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year. **22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. 23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him. 24 And Abraham [was] ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 25 And Ishmael his son [was] thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. 27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him."**

This next addition is part of **the Mosaic Covenant**, which obviously builds upon the Abrahamic Covenant, I believe, by keeping the physical circumcision as a Commandment, and the giving of the Land of Israel as a Blessing:

**[Exodus 12:40-49 KJV] "40 Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, [was] four hundred and thirty years. 41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt. 42 It [is] a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this [is] that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations. 43 And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, THIS [IS] THE ORDINANCE OF THE PASSOVER: THERE SHALL NO STRANGER EAT THEREOF: 44 BUT EVERY MAN'S SERVANT THAT IS BOUGHT FOR MONEY, WHEN THOU HAST CIRCUMCISED HIM, THEN SHALL HE EAT THEREOF. 45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof. 46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof. 47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. 48 AND WHEN A STRANGER SHALL SOJOURN WITH THEE, AND WILL KEEP THE PASSOVER TO THE LORD, LET ALL HIS MALES BE CIRCUMCISED, AND THEN LET HIM COME NEAR AND KEEP IT; AND HE SHALL BE AS ONE THAT IS BORN IN THE LAND: FOR NO UNCIRCUMCISED PERSON SHALL EAT THEREOF. 49 ONE LAW SHALL BE TO HIM THAT IS HOMEBORN, AND UNTO THE STRANGER THAT SOJOURNETH AMONG YOU."**

[Leviticus 12:1-3 KJV] **1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean. 3 AND IN THE EIGHTH DAY, THE FLESH OF HIS FORESKIN SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED.**

**BUT THIS IS WHAT PAUL SAYS:**

[Romans 2:28-29 KJV] **28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; NEITHER [IS THAT] CIRCUMCISION, WHICH IS OUTWARD IN THE FLESH: 29 But he [is] a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the spirit, [and] NOT IN THE LETTER; whose praise [is] not of men, but of God.**

However, **THE HEBREW PROPHETS EZEKIEL AND ISAIAH** say this in speaking of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, part of the Blessing of the New Covenant :

**[Ezekiel 44:9 KJV] 9 Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, NOR UNCIRCUMCISED IN FLESH, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that [is] among the children of Israel.**

[Isaiah 52:1 KJV] 1 Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O JERUSALEM, THE HOLY CITY: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee THE UNCIRCUMCISED and the unclean.

**This is a perfect example that Yehovah is completely balanced. It is not just physical circumcision or just spiritual circumcision that He commands! It is not one circumcision OR the other... IT IS BOTH!!!**

I agree with anyone who says that the circumcised heart is of greater weight...But, I disagree that the circumcision of the flesh is no longer valid or necessary.

I also disagree with anyone who thinks Paul only meant that the circumcision of the heart was just more important. He is clear, I believe, in what he meant, and he has influenced all of Christianity, Jewish and Gentile, for millennia to not obey the commandment of physical circumcision... but why??? I think it is because Paul thinks the physical circumcision will cause them to take on the responsibility to keep the Written Torah of the Mosaic Covenant and he absolutely doesn't want that to happen to them. Paul makes it clear that he believes the Mosaic Covenant with its Written Torah is dead and gone by the death of Yehoshua for believers in Him (Romans 7:4,6; Galatians 3:25, II Corinthians 3) and only the original Abrahamic Covenant remains valid (Galatians 3:17-18), along with the New Covenant. However Yehoshua reminds everyone that the physical circumcision is not initially from the Mosaic Covenant Torah, but from "The Fathers" – the Abrahamic Covenant (John 7:22)

[John 7:22 KJV] "22 MOSES THEREFORE GAVE UNTO YOU CIRCUMCISION; (NOT BECAUSE IT IS OF MOSES, BUT OF THE FATHERS;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man."

So, it is strange that Paul would come against the physical circumcision – he thinks the Blessing of the Abrahamic Covenant is intact (Galatians 3:17-18), but not the Commandment that Yehovah said was a sign of the Abrahamic Covenant **FOREVER**. If New Covenant believers are made part of Abraham's Family, why would Yehovah's "sign – token" of that Covenant not still apply???:

**GENESIS 17:13 KJV "...MY COVENANT SHALL BE IN YOUR FLESH FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT."**

If anything, it would seem this would be the **ONE COMMANDMENT** that Paul would have held onto as valid, as it **IS THE SIGN OF THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT!!!**

To reiterate, it seems that in his mind, the circumcision would bring them "into" (or "back into" for Jewish believers) the Mosaic Covenant with the need to obey the Written Torah. That is still being taught today by even many Messianic Jews, who believe they have the responsibility to obey the Torah of the Mosaic Covenant, but do not want the gentiles joined to them to have to take on that responsibility. (Part of that may be because they believe they must keep the Oral Torah burdensome commandments, not just the true Written Torah, which is not burdensome to anyone, but a blessing!) **However, I believe EVERYONE does take on the responsibility of the Written Torah, Yehovah's statutes and judgments, by coming into the New Covenant through the blood of Yehoshua! BEING GIVEN A RENEWED HEART (A CIRCUMCISED HEART!) THAT DESIRES TO KEEP YEHOVAH'S COMMANDMENTS, STATUTES, AND JUDGMENTS is A MAJOR PART OF WHAT THE NEW COVENANT IS ALL ABOUT!!!** Read Ezekiel 11:17-20, Ezekiel 36:22-27, Ezekiel 37:24-25, Jeremiah 31:31-34!!!

[Ezekiel 11:17-20 KJV] "17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and **I WILL GIVE YOU THE LAND OF ISRAEL.** 18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence. 19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: 20 **THAT THEY MAY WALK IN MY STATUTES, AND KEEP MINE ORDINANCES, AND DO THEM:** and they shall be my people, and I will be their God."

I BELIEVE THIS SHOWS THAT YEHOVAH'S COVENANTS BUILD UPON EACH OTHER – ONE DOES NOT REPLACE THE OTHER...

Note from the above passage that The Blessing of the Land of Israel (which originates in the Abrahamic Covenant) and The Commandments, Statutes, and Ordinances (which are added in the Mosaic Covenant and which carries forward the commandment to circumcise the flesh from the Abrahamic Covenant) are both still present in the prophecy of the New Covenant...

IF YEHOVAH WERE GOING TO ELIMINATE THE COMMANDMENT OF CIRCUMCISION OF THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT, HE COULD HAVE DONE THAT WHEN HE GAVE THE MOSAIC COVENANT. BUT HE DIDN'T...

HE HAD SAID THE CIRCUMCISION OF THE FLESH WAS AN "EVERLASTING COVENANT"!!!

BUT, this is what Paul taught:

(In speaking of Abraham)

[Romans 4:11 KJV] 11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which [he had yet] being uncircumcised: **that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised;** that righteousness might be imputed unto them also:

[1 Corinthians 7:18 KJV] 18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. **IS ANY CALLED IN UNCIRCUMCISION? LET HIM NOT BE CIRCUMCISED.**

**[Galatians 5:2-3 KJV] 2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that IF YE BE CIRCUMCISED, CHRIST SHALL PROFIT YOU NOTHING. 3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.**

Paul believes the death of Yehoshua in the New Covenant takes away the responsibility to keep the Torah, even for himself and other Jewish believers – "my brethren" he calls them. **That is why he says that if someone is circumcised, Jewish or gentile, that "CHRIST SHALL PROFIT YOU NOTHING"!!!**

[Galatians 2:19 KJV] "19 **FOR I** through the law **AM DEAD TO THE LAW,** that I might live unto God."

(Notice he doesn't explain how it is accomplished "through the law"...) )

[Romans 7:4 KJV] "4 Wherefore, **MY BRETHREN, YE ALSO ARE BECOME DEAD TO THE LAW BY THE BODY OF CHRIST;** that ye should be married to another, [even] to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God."

Paul continues about the physical circumcision:

[Galatians 6:12-13 KJV] 12 As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. 13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

**(NOTE: Does he know for a fact that every Jewish believer in Yehoshua who is circumcised does not try to keep the Written Torah??? My research shows that some of them did... The Nazarenes)**

[Colossians 2:11 KJV] 11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

**PAUL DEFINITELY DENIES THAT PHYSICAL CIRCUMCISION IS NECESSARY FOR BELIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA, whether Jewish or a stranger joined to Israel. But, Ezekiel 44:9 and Isaiah 52:1 say it is still necessary and valid, even in the Messianic Kingdom.**

For those who think that I am making “salvation” dependent on the physical circumcision, please note that all I am doing is quoting is exactly what the Prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel said. I believe they are describing the Kingdom of God and we need to remember that Yehoshua upheld all of the Hebrew Prophets, his whole mission and birth being prophesied from Isaiah. **So, Yehovah states clearly in Isaiah 52:1 that whoever is not circumcised (males of course) and whoever is unclean will not enter The Holy City of Jerusalem!**

I personally believe that a gentile (or Jew!) who comes to faith in Yehoshua is born of the Holy Spirit at that very moment in time. I think he should be physically immersed in water (“baptized” in Greek) at that point, as an act of his repentance to turn back to obeying God. But, as he learns the true Written Commandments of Yehovah, which will last as long as there is Heaven and Earth, that he should put them into practice, including the physical circumcision (Matthew 5:17-19). My point is that Paul does not say that. **Paul does not encourage believers in Yehoshua to eventually be circumcised, after they learn more of the Torah.** He does not encourage them to even learn the Torah. Again, he says:

**[Galatians 5:2-3 KJV] 2 Behold, I PAUL SAY UNTO YOU, that IF YE BE CIRCUMCISED, CHRIST SHALL PROFIT YOU NOTHING. 3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.**

Now to address another very important issue...

**SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT THE PHYSICAL CIRCUMCISION IS NOT NECESSARY BECAUSE WE WILL DIE AND RECEIVE RESURRECTED BODIES AT YEHOSHUA’S RETURN AND OUR ENTERING INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD.**

This comes from **ANOTHER ONE OF PAUL’S FALSEHOODS**, I believe, that has confused the matter:

**1 Corinthians 15:50 KJV] 50 Now this I say, brethren, that FLESH AND BLOOD CANNOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.**

**BUT, YEHOVAH SAYS DIFFERENTLY THROUGH ISAIAH, THE PROPHET AND OTHER PROPHETS!!!:**

**OBVIOUSLY, HIS CHOSEN SERVANTS THAT ARE STILL ALIVE AT YEHOSHUA’S RETURN, DO STILL HAVE FLESH AND BLOOD BODIES AND CAN STILL DIE (ISAIAH 65:20)!!! THEY EVEN WILL STILL BE HAVING CHILDREN!!! This seems to be a “transitional” 1000 year Kingdom of God on**

earth, based in a Renewed Israel that is like the Garden of Eden, BEFORE the final New Heavens and New Earth, with the New Jerusalem that comes down from Heaven. Just one example of the many differences: This Kingdom will have a Temple built by the Messiah (Ezekiel 40-48), but the New Jerusalem has no Temple (Revelation 21:22).

So here are some of the proofs from the Prophets of the “transitional” Kingdom of Heaven on earth! Notice, particularly, that His People Israel will be having offspring!

[Isaiah 65:20-25 KJV] 20 **THERE SHALL BE NO MORE THENCE AN INFANT OF DAYS, NOR AN OLD MAN THAT HATH NOT FILLED HIS DAYS: FOR THE CHILD SHALL DIE AN HUNDRED YEARS OLD; BUT THE SINNER [BEING] AN HUNDRED YEARS OLD SHALL BE ACCURSED.** 21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit [them]; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. 22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: **FOR AS THE DAYS OF A TREE [ARE] THE DAYS OF MY PEOPLE, AND MINE ELECT SHALL LONG ENJOY THE WORK OF THEIR HANDS.** 23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they [are] the seed of the blessed of the LORD, AND THEIR OFFSPRING WITH THEM. 24 And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. 25 **The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust [shall be] the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.**

[Isaiah 51:3 KJV] 3 **For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like EDEN, and her desert like the GARDEN of the LORD (YEHOVAH);** joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

[Ezekiel 36:8-12 KJV] "8 But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come. 9 For, behold, I [am] for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown: 10 **And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, [even] all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded:** 11 **And I will multiply upon you man and beast; AND THEY SHALL INCREASE AND BRING FRUIT:** and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better [unto you] than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD. 12 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, [even] my people Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them [of men]."

[Ezekiel 36:33-38 KJV] "33 Thus saith the Lord GOD; **In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause [you] to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.** 34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. 35 And they shall say, **THIS LAND THAT WAS DESOLATE IS BECOME LIKE THE GARDEN OF EDEN;** and the waste and desolate and ruined cities [are become] fenced, [and] are inhabited. 36 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined [places, and] plant that that was desolate: I the LORD have spoken [it], and I will do [it]. 37 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will yet [for] this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do [it] for them; **I WILL INCREASE THEM WITH MEN LIKE A FLOCK.** 38 **As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I [am] the LORD.**"

[Isaiah 61:9 KJV] "9 And **THEIR SEED** shall be known among the Gentiles, and **THEIR OFFSPRING** among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they [are] the seed [which] the LORD hath blessed."

[Isaiah 54:1-3, 13 KJV] "1 Sing, O barren, thou [that] didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou [that] didst not travail with child: **for more [are] THE CHILDREN of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.** 2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let

them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; 3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and **THY SEED shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.** ... 13 And **ALL THY CHILDREN [shall be] taught of the LORD; and great [shall be] the peace of thy children.**"

[Isaiah 60:21-22 KJV] "**21 Thy people also [shall be] all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified. 22 A LITTLE ONE SHALL BECOME A THOUSAND, AND A SMALL ONE A STRONG NATION: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.**"

(**\*\*\*There are even more prophecies concerning His people having offspring in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth in the Renewed Israel – Micah 4:6-7; Deuteronomy 30:1-10 – I will make you “more numerous than your fathers”;** Isaiah 44:1-5; I Samuel 2:5; Ezekiel 37:25; Isaiah 53:10; Isaiah 59:21-22; Isaiah 66:22.)

Note, this is NOT the new heavens and earth and New Jerusalem coming down out of Heaven - not yet! All my research of the Prophets show that THIS IS THE SAME EARTH, THE SAME ISRAEL, THE SAME JERUSALEM, THE SAME OTHER COUNTRIES - DURING THE MESSIANIC MILLENNIAL KINGDOM. **ONLY ISRAEL AND JERUSALEM AND HER GATHERED REDEEMED PEOPLE WILL BE MADE “SUPERNATURAL” - AS IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN - NOT THE REST OF THE WORLD!** The prophets describe the relationship of other countries with Israel during this time that Yehoshua rules the entire world from this supernatural Jerusalem, Israel! (I actually do not see any of the Hebrew Prophets ever describing the Absolutely New Heavens and New Earth and ABSOLUTELY NEW JERUSALEM THAT WILL COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN WITH NO TEMPLE AND STREETS OF GOLD, ETC. - only the Book of Revelation...)

Actually, the Book of Daniel speaks about at least “some” of the wicked being resurrected too, at the time of the return of Messiah, to “everlasting contempt” along with “some” of those written in the Book (of Life probably) being resurrected to “everlasting life”. It’s the only place in the Bible I see this about the resurrection of the wicked to everlasting contempt prior to the Great White Throne Judgment (Revelation 20:11-15)

[Daniel 12:1-3 KJV] 1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [even] to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. 2 **AND MANY OF THEM THAT SLEEP IN THE DUST OF THE EARTH SHALL AWAKE, SOME TO EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SOME TO SHAME [AND] EVERLASTING CONTEMPT.** 3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

**So, I personally don’t believe that the people who are ALIVE at Yehoshua’s return will be receiving their “resurrected” immortal bodies at that point. THEY HAVE NOT YET DIED. I do believe there must be a change in them, so that they do live super long lives!** Also, the Land of Israel, where His Chosen Servants will be gathered joyfully from all over the world, will be made like the Garden of Eden! **His people who are gathered there will still be having children - “their offspring with them” – remember that Isaiah 65:23 states!!! Remember that Isaiah 60:22 KJV also says: “A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time”!!!** Isaiah 60, Isaiah 35, Isaiah 11 and many other passages describe the supernatural saints and supernatural Israel.

**I WILL VENTURE TO SAY THAT THE MALES OF THESE CHILDREN WILL ALL BE PHYSICALLY CIRCUMCISED ON THE EIGHTH DAY SO THEY ARE ABLE TO GO INTO THE HOLY CITY OF JERUSALEM!!!**

The ones who have already died, and come back with Yehoshua are given their RESURRECTED IMMORTAL BODIES right then - it's called the First Resurrection (Revelation 19 -20:6). They are not the ones who will be marrying or having children... as Yehoshua said (Matthew 22:23-33).

**A CAREFUL READING OF THE LAST FOUR CHAPTERS OF REVELATION (19-22) DESCRIBE THE EVENTS.** I think we need to read them with fresh eyes to see EXACTLY what they say, not necessarily what we have traditionally been taught they say.

[Revelation 19:6-21 KJV] "6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. 7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed [are] they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God. 10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See [thou do it] not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. 11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him [was] called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. 12 His eyes [were] as a flame of fire, and on his head [were] many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. 13 And he [was] clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies [which were] in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And he hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. 17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; 18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all [men, both] free and bond, both small and great. 19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. 20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. 21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which [sword] proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh."

[Revelation 20:1-15 KJV] "1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received [his] mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. **THIS [IS] THE FIRST RESURRECTION.** 6 Blessed and holy [is] he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. 7 And when the thousand years are expired,



Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, 8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom [is] as the sand of the sea. 9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. 10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. **THIS IS THE SECOND DEATH.** 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

[Revelation 21:1-27 KJV] "1 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. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, 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. 4 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. 5 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. 6 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. 7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. 8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death. 9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. 10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11 Having the glory of God: and her light [was] like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal; 12 And had a wall great and high, [and] had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are [the names] of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: 13 On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates. 14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. 15 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof. 16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. 17 And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred [and] forty [and] four cubits, [according to] the measure of a man, that is, of the angel. 18 And the building of the wall of it was [of] jasper: and the city [was] pure gold, like unto clear glass. 19 And the foundations of the wall of the city [were] garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation [was] jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald; 20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst. 21 And the twelve gates [were] twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city [was] pure gold, as it were transparent glass. 22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. 23 And the city had no need

of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb [is] the light thereof. 24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it. 25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. 26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it. 27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither [whatsoever] worketh abomination, or [maketh] a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

[Revelation 22:1-21 KJV] "1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, [was there] the tree of life, which bare twelve [manner of] fruits, [and] yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree [were] for the healing of the nations. 3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: 4 And they shall see his face; and his name [shall be] in their foreheads. 5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever. 6 And he said unto me, These sayings [are] faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done. 7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed [is] he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. 8 And I John saw these things, and heard [them]. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. 9 Then saith he unto me, See [thou do it] not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God. 10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand. 11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. 12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward [is] with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. 13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. 14 Blessed [are] they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. 15 For without [are] dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie. 16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, [and] the bright and morning star. 17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. 18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: 19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and [from] the things which are written in this book. 20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. 21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ [be] with you all. Amen."

## **YEHOVAH ELOHIM'S PLAN IS SO AWESOME!!!**

From what I see, I believe that, just as there is a Second Death (when the wicked and unbelievers in Yehoshua in Hell, Gehinnom, etc. will be thrown into the Lake of Fire), there will also be a Second Resurrection, for the Elect (Chosen) of Yehovah's Servants who die during the Messianic Millennial Kingdom (and anyone possibly who did not come back in the first resurrection? Revelation 20:4-6 gives specific qualifications, it seems, to make the First Resurrection...). **But, even if all the saints who have died come back in the First Resurrection, there still has to be something planned for Yehovah's people who die, even at a great age, during the Messianic Kingdom.** Listen to this about the Messianic Kingdom of Heaven again:

[Isaiah 65:19-23 KJV] "19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying. 20 **THERE SHALL BE NO MORE THENCE AN INFANT OF DAYS, NOR AN OLD MAN THAT HATH NOT FILLED HIS DAYS: FOR THE CHILD SHALL DIE AN HUNDRED YEARS OLD; BUT THE SINNER [BEING] AN HUNDRED YEARS OLD SHALL BE ACCURSED.** 21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit [them]; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them. 22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: **FOR AS THE DAYS OF A TREE [ARE] THE DAYS OF MY PEOPLE,** and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. 23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they [are] the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them."

This lends credence to a **SECOND RESURRECTION** at the end of the 1000 year **MESSIANIC KINGDOM**, I BELIEVE, FOR THOSE OF HIS ELECT SERVANTS WHO DIE DURING THAT 1000 YEARS! **THERE HAS TO BE A RESURRECTION FOR THEM!** (WHY WOULD THE PREVIOUS ONE BE CALLED THE "FIRST RESURRECTION"???) believe it could be at the **Great White Throne Judgement**, when **ALL THE DEAD SMALL AND GREAT will be called to account**. We have always thought that was only for the wicked to be thrown into the Lake of Fire. But, Revelation 20 doesn't specifically say that. It does say that all the dead (at that point) will be judged for their deeds from the books that are opened AND whether their name is written in the Book of Life. If their name is not found in the Book of Life (The Lamb's Book of Life is Yehoshua's - Revelation 21:7 makes that clear), they will be thrown into the Lake of Fire. This will be the Second Death for them. Then, I believe those who have died, even during the Messianic Millennial Kingdom, who ARE in the Book of Life of the Lamb will be resurrected and given immortal bodies - this will be the Second Resurrection!!! They will be able to be/stay(?) in the New Jerusalem that will come down from Heaven to the New Earth and New Heavens.

In conclusion, I personally see it as a great honor to be made part of Israel by the New Covenant and keeping Yehovah's Commandments with them is part of that. There are Blessings and Responsibilities of being joined to Yehovah and His People Israel, going all the way back to the Abrahamic Covenant. I really don't see why obeying the Commandment of the physical circumcision should be so hard or confusing - as long as we don't follow Paul, but instead follow The Written Torah, the Hebrew Prophets, Yehoshua's Words as recorded by the Apostle Matthew, and the Prophecy of the Apostle John - the Book of Revelation!!!

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#### **RECOMMENDED READING:**

My book, *The Holy Arm of the Lord*, available as a free pdf on my website [www.TheHolyArmofttheLord.com](http://www.TheHolyArmofttheLord.com), gives much more information concerning Paul and his false doctrine concerning the Written Torah (chapter seventeen) and The Nazarenes, the original Jewish believers who seem to have kept the truth of it (chapter eighteen).