Parashat Vaetchanan - וָאֶתְחַנַן  
"And I Pleased"

Torah Portion:  
Deut.3:23-7:11

Haftarah Portion:  
Isaiah 40:1-26

Brit Chadashah Portion:  
Matt. 23:31-39  
Mark 12:28-34

We often read surrounding N.T. scripture because it is such a blessing to do so.

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There are a lot of extra related links this week. Please read them all to have a better understanding of these things.

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related:

The Paradox of Moses, by John Parsons  
http://www.hebrew4christians.com/Scripture/Parashah/Summaries/Naso/Paradox/paradox.html

Moses was "outside" the Law

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Of course, Jesus is not (now) and cannot be "under the Law" - as he has fulfilled the law.

- and believers are members of His body, that is, believers are in ECHAD with YHVH YESHUA (Eph.ch5:30-32).

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Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob were not under the Sinai Covenant. This is Torah:

Deuteronomy  5:2 "Jehovah our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.  3. Jehovah made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day. Jehovah spake with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire" (note that while this is "old hat" to most bible studying Christians (as rare as they may be), the "messy-antic" crowd typically considers even the New Covenant as just an extension of the Sinai Covenant, and that even Adam was under the Sinai Covenant. Oy!)
As the text details, Jehovah had made the Sinai covenant with their (those at the border of the land finally ready to possess it) "dads". However, their "dads" did not trust and all died off in the wilderness. This does NOT say they were NOT Torah observant. Apparently the generation that died off kept the Laws of the Sinai Covenant as they were IN THE CAMP until they died (if they did not keep the Law, they would have been excommunicated from the camp).

It was their LACK OF TRUST that kept them out of the promised land. (see last week's Torah Portion, Devarim)

To "NOT WITH OUR FATHERS" Rashi has :"i.e. not with them alone". Is Rashi adding to the text or defining? To be honest, it seems that to say "he is defining" is probably splitting hairs over what "adding" consists of.

Deuteronomy 5:22 "These words Jehovah spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them upon two tables of stone, and gave them to me."

Deuteronomy 5:32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as Jehovah your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

Deuteronomy 4:2 "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish from it, that ye may keep the commandments of Jehovah your God which I command you."

We must consider Deuteronomy 4:14 "And Jehovah commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and ordinances, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it".

It is telling that in 17 volumes of the Babylonian Talmud the rabbis there do not reference (that I have found via the index) this passage:

Exodus 24:4a "And Moses wrote all the words of Jehovah."

Again, IF there is an oral Torah, it would appear to be the book of Deuteronomy:

Deuteronomy 1:1 These are the words which Moses spake unto all Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the Arabah over against Suph, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Di-zahab.

Deuteronomy 1:5 Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying.

Note also "in the land" occurs several times in this portion describing where the commandments are to be kept....(Deut 4:1; 5,14, 31; 6:1):

Deuteronomy 6:16 Ye shall not tempt Jehovah your God, as ye tempted him in Massah.
17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of Jehovah your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.
18 And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of Jehovah; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess (יָרַשׁ, yarash) the good land which Jehovah sware unto thy fathers.
19 to thrust out all thine enemies from before thee, as Jehovah hath spoken.
Note vs.18 - יָרַשׁ yarash - Thayer Lexicon: "to take, to take possession of, to occupy, especially by force". Israel was to "possess" the land by force that YHVH has given them. This may remain valid today?

20 When thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which Jehovah our God hath commanded you?
21 then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt: and Jehovah brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand;
22 and Jehovah showed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his house, before our eyes;
23 and he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.
24 And Jehovah commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear Jehovah our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as at this day.
25 And it shall be righteousness unto us, if we observe to do all this commandment before Jehovah our God, as he hath commanded us.

Israel did NOT keep the commandments.

God's promise still stands, and we may see (it is there to see, some chose not to see) that there is shown here a future fulfillment by Israel, "and thus all Israel will (future) be saved" -Romans 11:26. --NOT because of Israel's law keeping attempts, but because of God's graceful mercy!

Deuteronomy 7:6 For thou art a holy people unto Jehovah thy God: Jehovah thy God hath chosen thee to be a people for his own possession, above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth.
7 Jehovah did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all peoples:
8 but because Jehovah loveth you, and because he would keep the oath which he sware unto your fathers, hath Jehovah brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.
9 Know therefore that Jehovah thy God, he is God, the faithful God, who keepeth covenant and lovingkindness with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations.
[If a generation is 30 years, God is faithful (though Israel has been unfaithful) for 30,000 years.]
10 and repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.
11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandment, and the statutes, and the ordinances, which I command thee this day, to do them.
12 And it shall come to pass, because ye hearken to these ordinances, and keep and do them, that Jehovah thy God will keep with thee the covenant and the lovingkindness which he sware unto thy fathers:
"shall" - here we may see the future sense. (it is there to see, some chose not to see)
13 and he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee; he will also bless the fruit of thy body and the fruit of thy ground, thy grain and thy new wine and thine oil, the increase of thy cattle and the young of thy flock, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
14 Thou shalt be blessed above all peoples: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.
Unfortunately, there is always some "replacement" theology (such as and similar to Messianic Judaism) that says they are the true spiritual Israel/Israelites/Jews/Hebrews. A good lesson on the biblical grafting of Romans ch.11 can be learned from a quick study of the grafting of fruit trees. The root still supports all of the branches. The grafted in branches are not changed into a different type of tree, although they are not their former self...they have a new source of life.

I was a gentile; I am a member of the Body of Messiah. I am not a Jew. It is probably less confusing and more accurate to tell people that I am a gentile Christian - allowing for the transformation in Messiah, rather than to say I am a Jew/Israelite and all the blessings now apply to me, but not to unbelieving Israel/Jews. I've written about this distinction elsewhere:

As You Were (Just as I AM) [Israel is the Bride, not the N.T. Assembly]
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#As_You_Were

Come as you are
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#Come_as_you_are

Bride Pride - A Great Mystery
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/BIBLE/Bride_Pride.htm

(but of course, come in Holy attire)
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#(The_Full_Armor_of_the_God)

Gentiles who trust in Jesus are grafted into the Abramic Covenant relationship to God, which is pre-Sinai Law Covenant. Gentile Christians are seed of Abraham. Again, you don't become an ethnic "Hebrew", but are grafted into that trusting root... (into Jesus the root @Rev.22:16...AMONG the branches, Choice & Petrified. See this note on Romans ch11.)
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#NOTE_THIS_LOOK_AT_ROMANS_CH11,_July,_2015

There is a reason that Jews were given the Shabbat and gentiles were not. Likewise, there is a reason that the Jews were given the Sinai Covenant and Gentiles were not. How can Israel be a light to the nations if all the Gentiles become Jews?

The Sabbath was never given to the gentiles or to the church
http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#The_Sabbath_was_never_given_to_the_gentiles_or_to_the_church
God gave the Shabbat to the Jews for a gracious reason.

Deuteronomy 4:5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and ordinances, even as Jehovah my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the midst of the land whither ye go in to possess it.
6 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, that shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.
7 For what great nation is there, that hath a god so nigh unto them, as Jehovah our God is whensoever we call upon him?

Through Israel's keeping of the commandments of Sinai, the Gentiles - pagans - will know that the true God is YHVH. Gentiles are allowed to distinguish the holy from the profane also. At that time, the only way* the Gentiles could participate in these covenantal promises was to join Israel as a proselyte. A proselyte to Judaism becomes a Jew. Apparently, this confuses most Messianics and most other church assemblies today, as most "Christian" organizations incorporate some sort of replacement theology so that they can say they are the true Jews. The churches usually say they are the bride of Christ. They are not. See the note: 


Messy-antics, while often rightly defending Israel from the church's attack, never-the-less often say that they are the true spiritual Israel because they have been grafted into the Israel (Romans ch11) that is under the Sinai Law. Again, this is simply a replacement theology that really says YHVH lied to Israel in the wilderness. AND this theology diminishes the sacrifice of YHVH YESHUA to that of something "common".

The Messianic endeavor to be under the law, is quite ridiculous (as about 40% of the law CANNOT be "worked" without the Temple/Tabernacle and Levitical service) and well reflects man's vanity in light of the truth of God's Word.

Rabbinical Judaism recognizes that the commandments cannot be followed without a Temple/Tabernacle, so they changed the Word of God to fit their religious needs. Some Christians (that call themselves Messianics) fall further into the ditch by following Rabbinical Judaism. For instance, they will cover their head when they pray, while the New Testament scripture forbids it (1 Cor.11:4,7) , and the Old Testament never required it. Again, adding to God's Word is forbidden by God in this "Torah portion" (Deut.4:2; 5:32), which current portions are delineated by Rabbinical Judaism, which is a mess in itself, as it follows an annual repetition, whereas in Jesus' day they likely used a triennial cycle of Torah portions. I loosely follow the annual cycle of portions here in order to answer the confusion of the blend of Messianic, Rabbinical, and Babylonian religions. Yes, "Babylonian", as most Messianics appear to try to merge a blessing done by Melkizedec for Abraham and Passover's third cup and the Roman Catholic Church's Eucharist - which cup (RCC's cup) originates in Babylon. Understand that Satan said "I will make myself like unto the Most High" (Isa.14:13-14) - and he has, and he has a false copy "church body" also. We are not to partake of those sacrifices, and that includes participating in the Roman Catholic Church's communion, which Protestant church communion is based on. Read 1 Corinthians.
Generally, Messianics, or rather "Messy-antics", do not believe the Greek text of the New Testament is the original language that the New Testament scriptures were recorded in. This allows them to change the meanings of words to fit their doctrines, such as falsely saying "there is not a New Covenant because Kainos and Neos both mean renewed". Of course, in order to say that, they also cannot believe that the majority of Greek Lexicons are accurate. But really, they simply do not believe the Word of God. They too are liars, possibly in worse shape than the Christians (Galatians, Heb.10?). Generally though, the Messianics do say that Israel remains God's chosen people, and in this, the Messinaic replacement theology does seem to come out of a desire to be closer to God. The scriptures do not say too much about Christians (Messianic by another name), and so both Christians (protestant and catholic) and Messianics change things around to fit their doctrine. Everyone that does this is a liar. Consider those that Jesus says he will say he never knew: They really thought they knew him! This is not saying that everyone that doesn't know everything exactly is doomed. It is just an attempt to say "wakie wakei, sleepwalkers!". Note that in the parable of the ten virgins, ALL TEN SLUMBERED AND SLEPT. There's some hope in that...

the only way* - Note also YHVH's loving kindness:

Romans 2:14 For at-the-time-that nations, the (ones) not having law, might-be-doing by-nature the-things of-the law, these not having law are law to-themselves;

They don't have the law. They are NOT participants of the Sinai Covenant. Yet by loving God and loving their neighbor, they fulfill the law. Even at that, they are not under the Mosaic law. It would be nice if Messianics could consider this possibility before trying to dictate only verse 13 to others.

Of course, NO one comes to the Father except THROUGH Jesus, so the law here that the Gentiles outside the Sinai law have is the law of Messiah. Jesus gave his law at Mark 12:29-31.

YHVH (Yeshua/Jesus) is The Law Giver. He can do whatever he wants.

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Torah.htm#YHVH_(Yeshua/Jesus)_is_the_law_giver_._He_can_do_whatever_he_wants

John 1:17 Because the law was-given through Moses; the favor and the truth came-to-be through Jesus Messiah.

1 Peter 2:5 And YOU yourselves as living stones YOU-are-being-built (a) spiritual household with-reference-to (a) holy priesthood, to-bring-up spiritual sacrifices welcome to-God through Jesus Messiah;

John 14:6 "The Jesus is-saying to-him, I myself-am the way and the truth and the life. No-one is-coming to the Father unless through me."
Please see Holocaust Remembrance Day

http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#Holocaust_Remembrance_Day#Holocaust_Remembrance_Day

**Read again:**

Ephesians 2:15  "Having-rendered-inactive the law of-the commandments in decrees, in-order-that he-might-create the two in himself with-reference-to one new (quality) MAN making peace,"

Go over and over the book Ephesians, study ch.2 and 5 much, Study the book Hebrews. Pray for understanding. It is a great mystery.

See also

**APOLOGETICS 1: PASSOVER IS THE LORD’S SUPPER**

Passover IS the LORD’S supper. Passover is NOT the "Lord's Supper"

http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/BIBLE/MOUNT-APOLOGETICS/APOLOGETICS_1_PASSOVER_IS_THE_LORDS_SUPPER.htm

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It is interesting that it is noted by the Holy Spirit that YHVH calls all the stars by their names (Isa. 40:26) and that the Zodiac (?) or hosts of heaven are "allocted unto to all the peoples under the whole heaven" (Deut. 4:19). There are a couple (?) of things going on here, one, there exists a true Zodiac (Psalm 19, Isa. 40:22) which tells the gospel message, and two, there exists Satan's lie of astrology, which has been perverting God's astronomy since Eve said "I have gotten a man YHVH".

See also Astronomy vs. Astrology

http://www.cotopaxi-colorado.com/Torah-Torah.htm#Astronomy_vs._Astrology

If you are "up" on your tabernacle study, you will much more appreciate the truths in this passage:

Isaiah 40:21  Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

22  It is he that sitteth above the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent [ ἄνω ] to dwell in [ LXX: κατοικεῖν ];
The Gospel was *preached* to Abraham.

Galatians 3:8 But the scripture having-seen-before that the God is-justifying the Gentiles out-of trust, *it-brought-good-news-before to-the Abraham* that all the Gentiles will-be-blessed-within in you.

Genesis 18:1a "And YHVH appeared unto him by the oaks of Mamre"

vs17 "And YHVH said, Shall I hide from Abraham that which I do"

vs19 "For *I have known him, to the end* that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of Jehovah, to do righteousness and justice; *to the end that Jehovah may bring upon Abraham* that which he hath spoken of him."

So it appears that YHVH did not hide things concerning the end from Abraham, which means that YHVH instructed Abraham as to The Gospel. Now whether YHVH spoke the Gospel directly to Abraham we do not know; however, we do know that the Gospel in the stars was there for Abraham to "read" and understand:

Psalm 19:1 For the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

*The heavens declare the glory of God;* And the firmament showeth his handiwork.

:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, And *night unto night showeth knowledge.*

3 There is no speech nor language; Their voice is not heard.

4 *Their line is gone out through all the earth,* And *their words to the end of the world.* In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

5 Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoiceth as a strong man to run his *course.*

6 His going forth is from the end of the heavens, And his *circuit* unto the ends of it; And there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 *The law of Jehovah is perfect,* restoring the soul: *The testimony of Jehovah is sure,* making wise the simple.

*The New Testament defines this message in the stars at Ps19 as the Gospel:*

Mark 1:14 But after the John (was) delivered-over *the Jesus came into the Galilee,* preaching *the good-news of-the kingdom of-the God,*

v15 *And saying* that the season has-been-and-is-fulfilled, and the kingdom of-the God has-drawn-near-and-is-still-near; *YOU-be-repenting,* and *YOU-be-trusting in the good-news.*

1 Corinthians 15:1 But I-am-making-known to-YOU, brothers, *the good-news,* which good-news-I-brought-to-YOU for-myself, which also YOU-took-along-(to-yourselves), in which also YOU-have-stood-and-are-still-standing,

v2 Through which also *YOU-are-being-saved,* if YOU-are-holding-fast to-what word I-brought-good-news-for-myself to-YOU, unless YOU-trusted at-random.

v3 For I-gave-over to-YOU among first-(things), what also I-took-along-(to-myself), that Messiah died-off in-behalf of our sins according-to the scriptures,

v4 And that he-was-buried, and that he-has-been-and-is-still-raised on-the day namely-the third according-to the scriptures,
Romans 10:4 For Messiah (is) finish-of-law with-reference-to righteousness to-every (one) trusting.

v5 For Moses is-writing the righteousness the (one) out-of the law, that the MAN having-done them will-himself-live in them.

v6 But the righteousness out-of trust is-saying thus: Might-you not say in your heart: Who will-ascend into the heaven? This is to-lead-down Messiah;

v7 Or: Who will-descend into the abyss? This is to-lead-up Messiah out-of dead (ones).

v8 BUT what is-it-saying? The saying is near you, in your mouth and in your heart; the saying of-the trust which we-are-preaching is this;

v9 That if you-might-confess with your mouth Jehovah Jesus, and you-might-trust in your heart that the God raised him out-of dead (ones), you-will-be-saved;

v10 For with-heart he-is-being-trusted with-reference-to righteousness, but with-mouth he-is-being-confessed with-reference-to salvation.

v11 For the scripture is-saying: Every one trusting on him will not be-disgraced.

v12 For (there) is not strict-order both of Jew and of Greek. For the same Jehovah of-all, being-rich with-reference-to all the (ones) calling-on him;

v13 For every (one) whosoever might-call-on the name of Jehovah will-be-saved.

v14 How therefore might-they-call-on (one) with-reference-to whom they-trusted not? But how will-they-trust of-whom they-heard not? But how will-they-hear separate-from (one) preaching?

v15 But how might-they-preach if they-might not be-dispatched? Even-as it-has-been-and-is-still-written: As beautiful the feet of-the (ones) bringing-good-news-(of) good-things. And their sayings into the limits of-the inhabited-earth.

v17 So the trust (is) out-of hearing, but the hearing (is) through saying of-Messiah. (or 'of-God'?)

v18 BUT I-am-saying, (have) they not heard? Yea therefore: Their utterance went-out into all the earth, and their sayings into the limits of-the inhabited-earth.

v19 BUT I-am-saying, Came Israel not to-know? First Moses is-saying: I myself-will-provoke YOU to-jealousy over (a) not nation, over (a) nation without-understanding I-will-exasperate YOU.

So there is to remain a distinction (but no strict order) between Jew and Gentile. Who exasperates Jews if not Gentiles that worship YHVH in spirit and truth (Jn.4:23-24) through Jesus (Heb.10:19-20) in a New Covenant relationship?

John 4:21 The Jesus is-saying to-her, Woman, you-trust to-me, that (an) hour is-coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will-YOU-worship the Father.

v22 YOU yourselves-are-worshipping what YOU-are not knowing-absolutely: we ourselves-are-worshipping what we-are-knowing-absolutely; because the salvation is out-of the Jews.

v23 BUT (an) hour is-coming and now is, when the authentic worshippers will-worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father also is-seeking the (ones) such-as-these worshipping him.

v24 The God (is) spirit, and it-is essential the (ones) worshipping him to-be-worshipping in spirit and truth.
Jesus stopped the Temple sacrifices:
Mark 11:16 "And he was not letting-be in-order-that any-one might-bring-through (an) article through the temple."
This was a physical act that foreshadowed what he did spiritually:
Matthew 27:51 "And behold the veil of the sanctuary was-split into two, from from-above till below"

John 14:6 "The Jesus is-saying to-him, I myself-am the way and the truth and the life. _No-one is-coming to the Father unless through me._"

Hebrews 10:19-20 "Having therefore brothers, boldness-of-speech with-reference-to the entering-in of the holy-ones in the blood of Jesus,
Which (entering-in) he-dedicated for-us (a) way recently-slain and living, through the veil, this is his flesh,"

John 1:17  _Because the law was-given through Moses; the favor and the truth came-to-be through Jesus Messiah._

Hebrews 13:10 _We-are-having (an) altar out-of which the (ones) serving to the tabernacle are not having authority to-eat._
*Those serving the shadow tabernacle, that is the physical tabernacle (Old Covenant), can not approach the alter (New Covenant) where in believers partake.*

1Corinthians 3:16 "Are-YOU not knowing-absolutely that _YOU-are (the) sanctuary of-God and the Spirit of-the God is-dwelling in YOU?_

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In spite of all this truth from scripture, still, _again_, this week Matt 5:17-19 came up as a "proof text" that there is no distinction between the Sinai Covenant and the New Covenant. _And so, again:*

**The Greatest and the Least**

Matthew 5:17 _Might-YOU not suppose that I-came to-over-throw the law or the prophets: _I-came not to-over-throw, _BUT to-fulfill._
v18 For amen I-am-saying to-YOU, _till_ the heaven and the earth might-go-past, one iota or one little-horn by-no-means might-go-past from the Law, till all-(things) might-come-to-pass.
v19 Whosoever therefore might-break one of-these commandments, namely-the least, and he-might-teach the MEN thus, he-will-be-called least in the kingdom of-the heavens; but whosoever might-do and he-might-teach (them), this-(one) will-be-called great in the kingdom of-the heavens.

Please note the future tense "will-be-called"...in context of what is written (not what you think you know). The future tense is required by the context.

This is a fantastic passage. For one, in showing so much the lovingkindness of the Father, in that even "whosoever therefore might break one of these commandants, namely the least and he might teach the men thus", this one WILL BE in the kingdom of heaven, and will there be called the least....

Also moreover, showing that this is possible in the fact that Jesus/Yeshua came and DID fulfill the Law. (Romans 10:4, Galatians)

This of course aligns with "What therefore the advantage of the Jew" of Romans 3:1-2, "BOTH to Jew first, AND to Greek" in Romans 1:16, and "in how much MORE their fullness" seen in Romans 11:12.

Keeping in mind that Matthew 5 was before the cross, hence of course there was as yet not a fully in effect New Testament/Covenant - as there was not yet the death of the testator (Heb.9:16-17) - so the Old Covenant is still in effect, and thus Yeshua teaches. Until the cross, there was not yet a "better covenant".

Hebrews 9:16 For where-in-which (there-is-a) covenant, (it-is) (a) necessity (a) death to-be-being-brought from-the (one) having-himself-covenanted;

v17 For (a) covenant on deads (is) firm, since it-is (not) at-any-time being-strong when the (one) having-himself-covenanted is-living.

The book of Hebrews well distinguishes the Old and New Covenants (i.e. Heb 10:9), and again, 2 Corinthians 3 explains (as Romans. 11) that some get it, some don't. To those that "get" the Good News, i.e. that trust in Yeshua/Jesus, He is the end of the Law (Rom 10:4)....we shouldn't "shrink" back (Heb 10:38). For those that don't "get" Jesus, the Law is still remaining a "disciplining tutor" (Gal.3:23-25). In either case, to ALL these that fear Him, YHVH's lovingkindness is manifest to us in Matthew 5:17-19! Praise Yah!

And so too we also keep the commandment to in mind not to think of any brother as "numbskulls", or "stupid" (Matt.5:22). Thank you for your consideration. May we all have a good week of getting it.

and again restating a few things:

Matthew 5:17 "Might-YOU not suppose that I-came to-overthrow the law or the prophets: I-came not to-overthrow, BUT to-ful-fill."

This statement was spoken by Jesus before the cross to Jews: therefore of course there was not yet a New Covenant/testament, as a will/testament does not take effect until the death of the testator. So of course Jesus instructed Jews to continue following the Law and the prophets.

Also note that OF COURSE, Jesus then did fulfill the Law and Prophets, hence "It is finished", and the Old gives way to the New Covenant as per the rest of the story. The book To the Hebrews details this wonderfully. I consider the book of Hebrews the best "Hebrew-roots" primer.

I suspect that most in the Messianic assembly do not believe that Jesus did what he said he would do in Mt.5:17, that is, fulfill the Law.

My wife had a super succinct analogy to depict this ongoing error in many so called "Messianic" assemblies that seek to follow the Sinai Law:

Suppose you owe Mr. G $1000.
Mr. J comes along and says "I've paid that in full for you. You don't owe anything now."

*Would you keep making payments to Mr. G????*

Addendum: regarding YHVH's lovingkindness seen in Matt. 5:17-19

Jeremiah 31:34 and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know Jehovah; for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Jehovah: for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more.

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Returning to the Haftarah portion of Vaetchanan:

Isaiah 40:22 It is he that sitteth above the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain (דֹּק doq), and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell (LXX: κατοικεῖν) in:
I have all the materials to make a uniquely color-toned tallit that will illustrate the spectrum of The Life, Yeshua, but yet I know that it won't show the justice of the one he has provided, and I now feel no need to complete it. I suppose it might be a good teaching tool. I'm still learning how it is tied together from the assembly instructions: Exd. 26:1,31; Exd. 24:10; Num.15:38,39; Matt. 27:51; Mark 12:29-31, John 14:15, 1John 3:23, James 2:10; Jn. 6:29; Heb. 13:10, etc.

The Tabernacle is ten connected curtains.

Exodus. 26:1 "Moreover thou shalt make the tabernacle [הַמִשְכָן ha-mishkan] with ten curtains [יְרִיעָה yĕriy`ah]; of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim the work of the skilful workman shalt thou make them."

"with" is not in the Hebrew text, as shown below:

כִּתְנַשֵּׁף הָֽהַמִשְכָּן וְאָתָּ֖ה תַעֲשֶׂ֣ה עֵשָׁה עֵרִיָּֽה

curtains  ten you-make the-tabernacle and

Exodus 26:6 And thou shalt make fifty clasps of gold, and couple the curtains one to another with the clasps: and the tabernacle shall be one whole [אֶחָד echad]

Exodus 24:10 And they saw the God of Israel; and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the very heaven for clearness.

Here we may see what the blue covering over the Tabernacle represents...

Threading this together is real tzitzit knot tying:

Numbers 15:38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of each border a cord of blue:

39 and it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of Jehovah, and do them; and that ye follow not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to play the harlot;

Mark 12:29 But the Jesus answered him, That first-of-all of-the commandments, (is) you-be-hearing, Israel, Jehovah our God Jehovah is one.

v30 And you-will-cherish Jehovah your God out-of your total heart and out-of your total soul and out-of your total intellect and out-of your total strength. This (is the) first commandment.
v31 And (the) like second (is) this: You-will-cherish your neighbor as yourself. Another commandment greater of-these is not.

John 14:15 If YOU-might-be-cherishing me, YOU-keep the commandments namely-the (ones) mine.

1John 3:23 And this is his commandment, in-order-that we-might-trust in-the name of-his son Jesus Messiah and we-might-be-cherishing one-another according-as he-gave commandment to-us. (@Mark 12:29-31)

v24 And the (one) keeping his commandments is-remaining in him and he in him; and in this we-are-coming-to-know that he-is-remaining in us, out-of the Spirit which he-gave to-us.

There is a subtle, but huge difference in seeing John 14:15 as a commandment vs. a proclamation by Yeshua. Much comfort is found in this via the great mystery of Eph. ch.5, where the MAN (Messiah) does all the work, and cleaves to the woman (the assembly) and by His work, the two are ONE/echad.

The ONLY way His commandments are not grievous ("who then can be saved???") is the fact that YHVH's presence, His Spirit, His Love in us is what/whom "keeps" the commandments. All the glory is YHVH's. It is HIS work whereby we are saved, and even whereby we "keep" His commandments. With man, keeping the commandments is impossible.

James 2:10 For one-who might-keep the total law, but in one-(thing) he-might-slip has-become-and-still-is liable of-all.

Graciously, all things are possible with God:

Matthews 27:51 "And behold the veil of-the sanctuary was-split into two, from from-above till below"

Hebrews 10:19-20 " Having therefore brothers, boldness-of-speech with-reference-to the entering-in of-the holy-ones in the blood of-Jesus, Which (entering-in) he-dedicated for-us (a) way recently-slain and living, through the veil, this is his flesh,"
John 6:29 **Doing God’s Work:**

The Jesus answered and said to-them, **This is the work of-the God, in-order-that you-might-trust** with-reference-to whom that (one) dispatched (i.e. Jesus).

and so, "**The Just shall live by Trust.**" **Habakkuk 2:4**

The "works" that we do is our Trust, not our keeping of commandments. God is Spirit; we worship in Spirit. Our work is Spiritual, not physical.

**Hebrews 13:10** **We-are-having (an) altar** out-of which **the (ones) serving to-the tabernacle are not having authority to-eat.**

**Psalm 61:4** I will dwell in thy tabernacle [בֶּיתְוֶהֶלְכָה] for ever: I will take refuge in the covert of thy wings [כנפיים kanaph]. Selah

Gesenius’s Lexicon: "**With regard to the tabernacle, when ohel is distinguished from mishkan, ohel is the outer covering of the tent, of twelve curtains of goats’ hair, placed above the dwelling-place (mishkan), i.e. then interior curtains which rested on the boards, Ex. 26:1,7; 36:8, 14, 19.**"

Note that Exodus 26:7 states that **the tent over the tabernacle** was made from eleven curtains of goat’s hair. It should be understood that **the tabernacle (the ten curtains) was set up before** the boards of the tabernacle were set up; therefore the tabernacle CANNOT rest on the boards.

**Exodus 26:7** And thou shalt make curtains [יְרִיעָה yĕriy`ah] of goats’ hair for a tent [אוֹהֶל ohel] over the tabernacle [מִשְכָּן mishkan]: eleven curtains [יְרִיעָה yĕriy`ah] shalt thou make them.

It seems to me that the perfect tallit is ripped: we enter through the poncho’s hole and see the sapphire sea surrounding the throne of grace...we repeat "look up at the blue sky, Israel, your redemption-back is near!" (Rom.3:24-25; Lu.21:28). May you live in the the unity of the rent veil and the tabernacle...
The Tabernacle was a parable of Messiah's body:

The boards "for the tabernacle" are "standing up". New Covenant believers, who die with and are resurrected in Messiah, are depicted by the boards of the tabernacle.

Exodus 26:15 And thou shalt make the boards [קֶרֶש qeresh] for the tabernacle [מִשְכָּן mishkan] of acacia wood, standing up [עָמַד `amad].

Note some of the meanings given for the word translated "standing up" - [עָמַד `amad]:
to stand, remain, endure, take one's stand
to stand, take one's stand, be in a standing attitude, stand forth, take a stand, present oneself, attend upon, be or become servant of
to stand still, stop (moving or doing), cease
to tarry, delay, remain, continue, abide, endure, persist, be steadfast
to make a stand, hold one's ground
to stand upright, remain standing, stand up, rise, be erect, be upright
to arise, appear, come on the scene, stand forth, appear, rise up or against
to stand with, take one's stand, be appointed, grow flat, grow insipid
to station, set

Certainly we may see resurrected New Testament believers here:

Ephesians 2:4 But the God being rich in mercy, because-of his much charity (with) which he cherished us,

v5 And we being dead (ones) in-the offences he-made-(us)-alive-together with-the Messiah,-by-the favor YOU-are having-been-and-still-are-saved,--
v6 And he-raised-(us)-together (συνεγείρεν – synegeiren - sün-e-gā'-ren) and he-seated-(us)-together in the heavenly (places) in Messiah Jesus,
v7 In-order-that he-might-demonstrate in the ages namely-the (ones) coming-on the surpassing riches of his favor in graciousness on us in Messiah Jesus.
v8 For by-the favor YOU-are having-been-and-still-are-saved through trust; and this not out-of YOU, of-God the gift;
v9 Not out-of works, in-order-that some-one might not boast.
v10 For of-him we-are (a) thing-made having-been-created in Messiah Jesus on good works, to-which the God prepared-before (us?) in-order-that we-might-walk-around in them.
Understanding: we are created in Messiah on good works - the works existed before we were created. Don't put the cart in front of the horse and say you were created by your good works - that is not logical thinking. Again - they were prepared - before we were existing!

Romans 10:17 So the trust (is) out-of hearing, but the hearing (is) through *saying of-Messiah. (or 'of-God'?)

v18 BUT I-am-saying, (have) they not heard? Yea-therefore: Their utterance went-out into all the earth, and their sayings into the limits of the inhabited-earth.

Ephesians 2:11 On-this-account YOU-be-having-in-memory that at-one-time YOU the Gentiles in flesh, the (ones) being-said (to be) uncircumcision by the (one) being-said (to be) circumcision in flesh made-by-hand, v12 That YOU-were in that season separate-from Messiah, having-been-and-still-alienced of-the citizenship of-the Israeli and strangers of-the covenants of-the promise, not having hope and (ones) without God in the world.

v13 But at-this-instant in Messiah Jesus YOU, the (ones) at-one-time being far (away), YOU became near in the blood of-the Messiah.

v14 For he himself is our peace, the (one) having-made the both (places) [the holy place and the holy of holies] one [echad!] even having-broken-down the midst-wall of-the fencing-in, the enmity, in his flesh [That veil was his flesh - Heb.10:19-20]

v15 Having-rendered-inactive the law (νόμον) of-the commandments (ἐντολῶν) in (ἐν) decrees (δόγμασιν), in-order-that he-might-create the two in (ἐν) himself with-reference-to one new (quality) (καινόν) MAN making peace,

Note the grammatical consistency:
1. Jesus created the two –how?- in (ἐν) himself.
2. Jesus rendered-inactive the law of the commandments –how?- in (ἐν) decrees, i.e. *the Sayings of Messiah (see Rom. 10:17 above).

v16 And he-might-reconcile-in-full the both (Jews and Gentiles) in one body to-the God through the cross, having-killed the enmity in it;

v17 And having-come he-himself-brought-good-news, peace to-YOU to-the (ones) far and peace to-the (ones) near;

v18 Because through him we-are-having the leading-near, the both in one Spirit to the Father.
The Tabernacle was a parable of Messiah's body:

Ephesians 2:15  Having-rendered-inactive the law of the commandments in decrees, in-order-that he-might-create the two in himself with-reference-to one new (quality) MAN making peace,

John 3:29  The (one) having the bride is bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, the (one) having-stood-and-still-standing and hearing of-him, he-is-rejoicing with-joy because-of the voice of the bridegroom, this therefore the joy namely-mine is-having-been-and-is-still fulfilled.

2 Corinthians 11:2  For I-am-being-jealous-(of) YOU with-a-jealousy of God, for I-myself-joined YOU to-one man to-stand-alongside (a) pure virgin for-the Messiah;

"having-stood-and-still-standing" is from: ἑστηκὼς h estēkōs, a form of ἵστημι histēmi
"to-stand-alongside" is from: παραστῆσαι parastēsai

For “man” the Holy Spirit has supplied in the Greek text ἀνδρὶ andri; the Consistent Translation's "man", is from: ἀνδρός andros.

However, for the King James’ "husband", Strong's Concordance refers to ἀνήρ aner (that is not in the Greek text in this passage!) which the King James translates as man 156x, husband 50x, sir 6x, fellow 1x, not translated 2x.

Thus the King James Version has changed/altered the word of God.

Exodus 26:15  And thou shalt make the boards [ שֶׁקֶר qeresh] for the tabernacle [ מִשְׁכָן mishkan] of acacia wood, standing up [ עָמַד `amad].

For עָמַד - "standing up", the LXX has ασήπτων asēptōn: Strong's G767.1 has "incorruptible".

1 Corinthians 15:52  In (a) moment in (a) twinkling of-(an) eye, in the last trumpet; for (a) trumpet-will-sound, and the dead (ones) will-stand-again (ἐγερθήσονται) imperishable (ἄφθαρτοι), and we ourselves-shall-be-changed.

Connect here Romans 11:26 - "all Israel shall be saved"

A related word, G767 ἄσημος asēmos is defined as "without mark":

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Revelation 20:4 And I-saw thrones, and they-were-caused-to-be-seated on them; and sentence was-given by-them, and (I-saw) the souls of-the (ones) having-been-and-still-cut-off-with-an-axe because-of the witness of-Jesus and because-of the word of-the God, and (I-saw all) they-who worshipped not the beast nor its image and they-took not the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they-lived and they-became-king with the Messiah (a) thousand years.

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The Tabernacle was a parable of Messiah's body:
The N.T. assembly was represented by the boards of the Tabernacle of the wilderness, which Tabernacle was a picture of Messiah's body. (1 Cor.3:16 and see The Law Prophesied, by R.H. Mount, pp118-130)

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The Meeting Place

Exodus 25:22 "And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy-seat, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel."

Hebrews 13:10 "We-are-having (an) altar out-of which the (ones) serving to-the tabernacle are not having authority to-eat."

There is no physical temple or tabernacle building/structure.

God does not change...He changes things.

Now the NAOS (sanctuary) of God is in you:

1Corinthians 3:16 Are-YOU not knowing-absolutely that YOU-are (the) sanctuary of-God and the Spirit of-the God is-dwelling in YOU?

This concept is explained in "The Law Prophesied", by Ralph Mount, pp84:

"It might be of interest to note that the height of the board structure is given as 10 cubits. The total length can be figured, 20 boards each 1 1/2 cubits wide, or 30 cubits. There is, however, no record of the length of the holy place, or the holy of holies. This is striking and important, for the entire structure had to be moved. Except on the day of atonement, no one could ever enter the holy of holies, neither were the people permitted to see the ark of the covenant. How could the ark be moved; first, without anyone seeing it and; second, without anyone going into the holy of holies to get it? The first part was easy. The veil was used as a cover for the ark. The priests lowering the veil and yet keeping it above their heads, could walk forward without seeing the ark and cover it. (Num. 4:5) But were they not going into the holy of holies? The answer is definitely, No. The veil, not the pillars, separated the holy place from the holy of holies, and as the veil was moved forward, the holy of holies became smaller and the holy place larger. Now, you see why no length dimensions are given for the holy of holies; it was variable. With the veil around the ark, the holy of holies was, in effect, the ark itself."
The Veil is rent - Mt.27:51. The Veil is His flesh - Heb.10:19-20. The sanctuary (NAOS) of God is in you - 1 Cor.3:16. The priest hood has changed - Heb.7:12. "We-are-having (an) altar out-of which the (ones) serving to-the tabernacle are not having authority to-eat" - Hebrews 13:10.

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The Tabernacle was a parable of Messiah's body:

Hebrews 9:9 One-which (is a) parable with-reference-to the season namely-the (one) having-stand-in-and-still-standing-in, according-to which both gifts and sacrifices are-being-offered not being-able, according-to conscience to-make the (one) serving perfect,
v10 Only on foods and drinks and diverse baptisms-of-things, just-acts of-flesh lying (on them) as-far-as (a) season thoroughly-straight.
v11 But Messiah having-come-to-be-alongside chief-priest of-the future good-things, through the greater and more-perfect tabernacle not made-by-hand, this is not of-this creation,

Now, if you say the tabernacle being spoken of (Heb. 9:9-11) is the Heavenly Tabernacle you are (possibly) also correct, as likewise also the Body (Tabernacle) of Messiah is the assembly, which is the believers in Jehovah/YHVH Jesus/Yeshua Christ/Messiah (Eph 5:30 "Because we-are members of his body."). So then the head of the assembly is Messiah, and so the head of Messiah is God (1 Cor 11:3).

Again, where is Heaven? Where is God? Paul, caught up to the third Heaven, did not know if he was in or out of body (2 Cor. 12:2-3)....but Paul acknowledged that God knew where he was...

1 Corinthians 3:16 may (?) give some possibility of answer to Paul's whereabouts: "Are-YOU not knowing-absolutely that YOU-are (the) sanctuary of-God and the Spirit of-the God is-dwelling in YOU?"

Of course none of this is to say that believers are God...but rather, hopefully provides some "background" for understanding how we may now - already - rest from our works in Messiah as detailed in Hebrews 4:3 "For we, the (ones) having-trusted, are-going-in into the rest, according-as he-has-said-and-still-says: As I-swear in my wrath; if they-will-go-in into my rest; and-yet of-the works having-been-come-to-pass from casting-down of-(a)-world.", which is to say each day: "Shabbat Shalom"...

These following diagrams will help explain this concept of the Sanctuary:
I am not certain who drew this diagram as a supplement to "The Truth about Jesus if you Really Want to Know", by R.H. Mount...
A SHADOW OF HIS BODY

EAST

SHOULDER

SHOULDER
EXOD. 27:14,15

NORTH

PS. 40:8

BOWELS

SOUTH

3rd RIB
EX. 26:26,27

1st RIB
EX. 26:13

SIDE

THIGH

2nd THIGH
EXOD. 26:12,23

THIGH

WEST
SEAWARD

Psalm 40:6-12

1. RIGHTEOUSNESS

2. FAITHFULNESS

3. SALVATION

4. LOVING KINDNESS

5. TRUTH

NAOS
INNER SANCTUARY

HOLY PLACE

HOLY PLACE
Read again:

Ephesians 2:15  "Having-rendered-inactive the law of-the commandments in decrees, in-order-that he-might-create the two in himself with-reference-to one new (quality) MAN making peace,"

Go over and over the book Ephesians, study ch.2 and 5 much, Study the book Hebrews.  Pray for understanding.  It is a great mystery.

As You Were (Just as I AM) [Israel is the Bride, not the N.T. Assembly]

Come as you are

Bride Pride - A Great Mystery

(but of course, come in Holy attire)

Study the following image and scriptures again and again. It is a great mystery.

A Body Prepared

From "The Law Prophesied", by R.H. Mount (with some additional scriptures added)
"One side (נָבָה katheph) ——— the other side." Ex. 27:14,15

**shoulder**  
"Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a BODY hast thou prepared me."  
*Heb. 10:5*

**shoulder**  
The MYSTERY of Christ which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as IT IS NOW revealed ... that the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the SAME BODY."  
*Eph. 3:4-6*

"...The Assembly, one which is His body...."  
*Eph. 1:22-23*

**Brass Altar**  
"Thy law is within my heart."  
*Ps. 40:8*  
(יְדֵי may-aye, "bowels")  
(LXX: κολλής KOLLAΣ, "belly")

"And he raised-(us)-together and he seated-(us)-together in the heavenly (places) in Messiah Jesus"  
*Eph. 2:6*

**Laver**

"Are YOU not knowing absolutely that YOU are the sanctuary  
[κολλής - ναός] of the God, and the spirit of God is dwelling in  
YOU?"  
*1Cor. 3:16*

**IN MESSIAH**  
"In whom all building-up being-fitted-together is-growing into (a) holy sanctuary in Jehovah,"  
*Eph. 2:21*

N.T. believers IN Jesus are represented by the boards/pillar of the tabernacle.

"The (one) having-victory, I-shall-make him (a) pillar [κολλής] in the sanctuary [κολλής - ναός] of my God...."  
*Rev. 3:12*

**Ark**

**IN MESSIAH**  
"IN whom YOU yourselves also are-being-built-together into (a) residence of the God in spirit."  
*Eph. 2:22*

"...Because we are members of His Body,"  
*Eph. 5:30*

"...thou shalt make the boards [LXX-κολλής] for the tabernacle standing up [LXX-κολλής]...."  
*Ex. 26:16*

**Rib**

"One side (גְּבַר tsela) ——— the other side." Ex. 26:26,27

**Lampstand Table Altar**

**Thigh**  
"For the two sides (נָבָה yarekah) westward."  
*Ex. 26:27*

"We know that the LAW is SPIRITUAL."  
*Romans 7:14*

**A DIVINELY PURPOSED ILLUSTRATION for the PRESENT AGE**

*HEBREWS 9:9*
"And he-raised-(us)-together [συνήγεια] and he-seated-(us)-together [συνεκάθισεν] in the heavenly (places) [ἐπουρανίοις] in Messiah Jesus"  Ephesians 2:6

"The (one) having-victory, I-shall-make him (a) pillar [στύλον] in the sanctuary [ναῷ -naō] of my God, and he-might by-no-means still go-out without, and I-shall-write on him the name of my God and the name-of-the city of my God, namely-of-the new (quality) Jerusalem the (one) descending out-of the heaven from my God, and my name namely-the new (quality)."  Revelation 3:12

"Are YOU not knowing absolutely that YOU are the sanctuary [ναὸς - naos] of the God, and the spirit of God is dwelling [οἰκεῖ - oikei] in YOU?"  1Corinthians 3:16

"...thou shalt make the boards [LXX: στύλους] for the tabernacle [LXX: σκηνής]...

STANDING UP [ θάρσει amad; LXX: ασήπτων]..."  Exodus 26:15

The Law is a shadow of the real substance.  (consider your shadow on a sidewalk...) The shadow is real
But the shadow is not the real deal.

There is much worry in the Messianic assembly regarding "works".

God is a Spirit, and we worship Him in Spirit.
If the veil of the Tabernacle is Jesus' flesh (and it is), then the veil is Spiritual.
If the veil is spiritual, so too is the Tabernacle (which is His body, which is the believers).
If the Tabernacle/Naos is Spiritual (and it is) then we are spiritual.
If the Tabernacle and we are Spiritual (and we are), the commandments regarding the Veil and Tabernacle and how we go about getting to and through the veil are all spiritual (and they are).

So then these commandments pertain to the spiritual body (and there is a spiritual body - note Jesus' body after the resurrection). Yes, we have a physical body, but it is dead in/with Messiah and we are raised a new MAN in Messiah (Eph.2:5,6,15). This new (not renewed) man is spiritual, and no longer "married" to the Law (Hagar, Sinai Covenant). We are not under the Law. This is the Just living by trust/faith (Hab.2:4)

If a person rejects Messiah as a new means of propitiation they may remain under the Law, but they are required to keep ALL of the commandments.

If a person is in the New Covenant relationship with YHVH through YHVH Yeshua and they seek to be under the Old Covenant's terms, they are spiritual adulterers:
Romans 7:1 Or are YOU-being-ignorant, brothers, for I-am-speaking to-(ones)-coming-to-know law, that the law is-exercising-lordship of-the MAN on as-long time as he-is-living?

v2 For the woman under-a-husband has-been-and-is-still-bound by-law to-the living husband; but if the husband might-die-off, she-has-been-and-is still-rendered-inactive from the law of-the husband.

v3 So therefore, while the husband (is) living, she-will-be-termed (an) adulteress if she-might-become to-(a)-different man; but if the husband might-die-off, she-is free from the law, she (will) not be (an) adulteress having-become to-(a)-different man.

v4 So that, my brothers, YOU yourselves also were-put-to-death to-the law through the body of-the Messiah, with-reference-to YOU to-become to-(a)-different (one), to-the (one) having-been-raised out-of dead (ones), in-order-that we-might-bring-forth-fruit to-the God.

v5 For when we-were in the flesh, the sufferings of-the sins the (sufferings) through the law were-operating in our members with-reference-to the (object) to-bring-forth-fruit to-the death;

v6 But at-this-instant we-were-rendered-inactive from the law, having-died-off in which we-were-being-held-fast, so-that we (are) to-be-being-a-slave in newness of-spirit and not in-oldness of-letter.

Now scripture says that Messiah Jesus will not find trust when he returns (Luke 18:8b). So while the Just live by trust, there will not be many when Messiah returns. HOWEVER, this does NOT say that there will not be many who are not trusting. In fact scripture says there will be many that do not trust but will be saved (future) when Messiah returns ("all Israel shall be saved"). And in this we see YHVH's lovingkindness.

Isaiah 40:1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

Isaiah 40:2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem; and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she hath received of Jehovah's hand double for all her sins.

Romans 11:12 But if their offence (is) riches of-(a)-world and their inferiority (is) riches of-nations, in-how-much more their fulness.

There's a lot more to see here....this is just scratching the surface of this portion.

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People often say that God hates sin but not the sinner.

Scripture says God hates the sinner.

Psalm 5:5 The arrogant shall not stand in thy sight: Thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

Psalm 11:5 Jehovah trieth the righteous; But the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

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Proverbs 30:4 "Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended?"

ascended - galah

descended - yarad

A. Jesus Christ in the theophanies of the Old Testament. (John 3:13)

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Tishah B’Av / the ninth of Av

Rabbinical Jews fast on the ninth of Av to recall and mourn the many evil events that have happened to national Israel on this day. In particular the destruction of the first and second Temples occurred on this day.

The Talmud rabbis say that the second Temple was destroyed in 70.A.D. by sinat chinam, i.e. hate for no reason.

The rabbis provide a fence of explanation as to what this hatred was. Here’s one such explanation they seemingly unwittingly provide:

"Woe unto him who maketh himself alive by the name of God." Sanhedrin 106a, and footnote

Here the rabbis admit that Jesus was stood again by the name of YHVH, yet they curse him ("woe unto him"). Understand that they understood that Jesus, in making himself alive after death, was different than Jesus making someone else alive after they were dead. Only YHVH himself could do this, so it is an amazing proclamation.
Additionally in this passage of the Talmud, Jesus is referred to as the son of a harlot and called Baalim. (106a footnotes)

Psalm 69:4 *They that hate me* *without a cause* are more than the hairs of my head:
They that would cut me off, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty:
That which I took not away I have to restore.

*without a cause* - חִנָם chinnâm, khin-nawm'; from H2580; gratis, i.e. devoid of cost, reason or advantage:—without a cause (cost, wages), causeless, to cost nothing, free(-ly), innocent, for nothing (nought), in vain. - gratuitously

Jesus of course responded: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."
And so they are forgiven.

As Jesus also prophesied the destruction of the 2nd Temple, I find it difficult to mourn its destruction. A new and better naos/sanctuary - our hearts - has been established for this time. However, it is sad, even grievous, that many do not see this...

The book of Lamentations is traditionally read on this day.

Ch1:16 "For these things I weep: mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water"

Extra:

**Acupressure in the Bible?**

**Genesis 32:24** And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. 25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, *he touched the hollow of his thigh*; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him.

This pertains to the sciatic nerve. (Pentateuch & Haftorhas)