

## **Why Are So Many Israeli Jews Turning to Yeshua as Their Messiah?** by Richard Aaron Honorof

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, the 'Religious Affairs' writer of the Jerusalem Post reported that there are **10,000 Messianic Jews in Israel**. Of course the true number is much higher, but that is not the point. Have you ever taken the time to consider why so many Israeli Jews are doing this disgraceful thing? Have they all gone meshugana (crazy), or is something else going on?

Don't you think that before each of these well meaning and deeply thinking Israeli Jews became believers in Yeshua as their Messiah, that they seriously considered the consequences of their decision? They knew what it would mean, what it would cost them in rejection and persecution, that many of them would be ostracized by their families and friends and their Jewish communities, both by the secular and the religious Jews in Israel.

These Jews are not stupid or naïve; for they all know, and were taught to know, that Yeshua (Jesus) is the antithesis of what it means to be a Jew.

So why have they done this? Do they desire punishment or persecution from family and friends and community? What has happened to them? And why is this phenomena continuing to increase in Israel? What could have happened that is so Powerful, that everything else that they valued in life has now taken a back seat. What has so radically changed them, that they would publicly proclaim Yeshua as their Jewish Messiah?

Could it be true that it's true, could they have really found **the living Messiah**, or, what is more correct, could He have found them? And could this Messiah be **God Himself**, the real God of Israel, their Creator, the One who made them, the One whose Love is more Wonderful than anything else in this life, whose Presence so transcends all that we know of Creation, who finally brings real hope to one's life? Is this what has happened to them?

**Yes!** This is what has happened to them, and will continue to happen day after day in Israel, and around the world, to multitudes of Jews, as we get closer to the fulfillment of God's Holy Words and Promises that He has made to all of Israel, found throughout the pages of the Torah and Tanakh.

The God of Israel has actually come into their lives and radically changed them. They have experienced that their Creator really Loves them. They have found Reality in the God of the Tanakh! The God of Israel has Saved, Healed, and Delivered them, and they have become 'Born Again' in God.

After a life of seeking and searching for truth and reality, the real God of the Universe, their true Creator, has entered their life with His Love and Truth. So many of these Jewish men and women, boys and girls, are leaving behind their old lives of sin, and drugs, and alcohol, and other addictions, and are being Set Free, and coming back to God. They have found Messiah!

In no other branches of Jewish religion are the Rabbis telling anyone that they have found God. Why? Because they have not! The Jewish religion does not get you to God; it does point out your sins, your failures, your short comings. **But our Sins are what separate us from God!** Isaiah 59:1,2; Deuteronomy 24:16; Deuteronomy 27:26; Ezekiel 18:4; Isaiah 64:6; Psalm 14:3; Psalm 53:1,3; Ecclesiastes 7:20. **That is the Problem!**

God hates religion with all of our religious behaviors and attitudes that make us think so pridefully, that we are better than other Jews. This religious 'stuff' interferes with the simplicity of just giving our hearts to God, and loving our fellow man (both Jews, Arabs, and Gentiles).

That is God's command! Our God desires a personal relationship with each one of us, a relationship **with our hearts**. Real Surrender!

Messiah Yeshua is truly God who came to earth to die for our Sins, so that we could be freed of our Sins, that which has separated us from God, and be able to return to God, and have a new start on life, a new beginning. Yeshua called this being 'Born Again!' There is no other way that works; it is only through the sinless Blood sacrifice of Yeshua that this can happen. Leviticus 17:11; Isaiah 53:4-6; Zechariah 9:11

Only **One Man** in all of history has ever fulfilled the Messianic Scripture prophecies, proving that **He is both God and Man**, our Creator, who Loves us all so much that He came to earth and died for us, in our place, taking all of our sins upon Himself. Just thank Him for doing this, and your life will become changed forever. But first **study the Messianic Scripture prophecies!**

Please read these Old Testament (Torah and Tanakh) Messianic Scripture prophecies on the Messiah (there are more than 300 in the Bible), and see the Truths about God being the Messiah, which were **prophesied hundreds of years** before Yeshua ever came to earth. And then **ask God to show you if this is true**, if Yeshua really is the Jewish Messiah.

Sincerely,  
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