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A Messianic congregation of
Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

SHABBAT NEWSLETTER

Day 30 of the 11th Biblical month

Parashah 19 T'rumah ~Contributions



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TEHILLAH ~Service of Praise

Welcome to Beit Gan-Eden! ~House [of] Paradise. We are gathered here in the name of our righteous Messiah, Yeshua, to worship our Heavenly Abba ~Father. Yeshua tells us. "Y'HoVaH is Spirit and worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Yochanan (John) 4:24. **Shabbat Shalom, everyone!**

TEFILLAH ~Service of Prayer

All sing: "Sh'ma Yisrael, Y'HoVaH Eloheinu, Y'HoVaH echad" (Deu 6:4)

"Baruch Shem kavod malchuto, le'olam va'ed! (Ps 72:18-19)

All say: "Hear, O Isra'el, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, Y'HoVaH is one!

Blessed be His Name. His glorious Kingdom is for ever and ever. Amein".

Leader: "V'ahavta et Y'HoVah elohecha b'kol l'vav'cha u'v'kol nafsh'cha u'v'kol m'odecha." **All say:** "And you shall love Y'HoVaH your Elohim with all

your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (Deut 6:5)

And Yeshua said: "Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Torah and the prophets are dependent on these two mitzvot." (Mat 22:37-40)

Leader: "Y'HoVaH hu Yeshua HaMashiach". (Phil 2:11; 1Cor 12:3; Luke 2:11)

All say: "Yeshua the Messiah He is LORD". Amen.

B'RACHOT YELEDIM ~Blessing the Children ברכות ילדים

Prayer for boys from Gen 27:27b-29. May Y'HoVaH make you, like Efrayim and M'nasheh ... Prayer for girls from Num 6:24-26. May Y'HoVaH make you, like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah...

All pray together: "Heavenly Abba preserve these children for their fathers and mothers. May they be led into a life of obedience and faith through the Tanakh and Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'hak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants. We ask this in Yeshua's Name, Amein.

SHABBAT SHUL ~School is NOT on TODAY

Children ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark Batakin and Rachel Schultz.

Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins in the adjoining room, straight after "Blessing the Children"; prior to the Parashah readings. Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the "Yeshua Remembrance Service".

Parents, please resume proactive responsibility for your children during and after the Remembrance service. The landlord has asked us to prevent children from running around inside or on the veranda. Parents please assist.

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PRAYER FOR THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (*Matt 15:24*)

MISHPACHAH ~family MEMOS

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TORAH ~Service of The Word

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Torah (*Gen. Ex. Lev. Num. Deut.*): **Sh'mot ~Exodus 25:1 - 27:19**

Haftarah ~Prophets: **M'lakhim Alef ~1 Kings 5:26 - 6:13**

Ketuvei HaShelichim ~Writing of the Apostles:

Messianic Jews ~Hebrews 8:1-6; 9:23-24; 10:1

Drashah ~sermon: MMin Tamar Yeomans

Ex 25:18-20; 1 Kings 6:23-29; 8:6-8; *Ref to Ex 25:18-19 & Heb 9:5;*

CJB 1 John 2:2 cf. AV 1 John 2:2.

Ex 37:7-8 ; Isa 40:28-31; Ex 19:4; 1 Ki 8:6-8; Ex 25:22;

[CJB] 1Chr 28:18 cf. [AV] 1 Chr 28:18. Isa 6:1-2; Psa 18:4-19 (18:4).

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FORNICATION RENAMED

Cohabitation: Gaining popularity across the life course

According to the latest census data - Marriage and divorces, Australia 2016 - couples who lived together prior to marriage accounted for 80.8% of all marriages registered in 2016, an increase from the 76.1% recorded in 1996. In 1975, just 16% of married couples had lived together first, and by 1981 cohabitation had doubled with 31% of married couples recording their pre-marriage cohabitation.

Whilst cohabitation has become popular, these relationships tend to be of short duration and this changing landscape raises complex and competing factors for cohabiting parents.

Cohabitation and Marriage

- It's one of the biggest mismatches between scientific evidence and public perception. Many people think that cohabiting

is good for relationships yet study after study shows that **cohabiting is associated with far higher rates of instability than marriage** (*DeRose et al 2017*).

- Cohabitation is a relatively new phenomenon. In 1975, just 16% of marriages were preceded by cohabitation however by 2013, 77% of marriages took place after the couple had lived together (*ABS, 2016*).
- The debate around marriage and cohabitation tends to centre around selection effects, whether it is the nature of marriage or cohabitation itself that causes changes in stability and other outcomes for the family marriage, or whether it is pre-existing factors that select couples into marriage or cohabitation.
- Almost all studies acknowledge the reality of selection, for example, that **more of those who marry are better educated and older**. However even when accounting for these factors statistically, marriage continues to exert a significant

influence (e.g. Benson & McKay 2017)

According to the Australian Family Formation Project, 25% of de facto relationships lasted 12 months, around half ended after two years, and three quarters ended by four years. Many also end in marriage.

According to recent research by Smyth, Hunter, Macvean, Walter & Higgins (2017), the research reveals:

- For Children, a significant proportion (34%) are born out of wedlock
- 1/5 of all children have a parent living elsewhere.

Such growth suggests that cohabitation is becoming an increasingly common experience among people today.

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Cohabitation in Middle and Later Life is becoming more popular

Cohabitation is gaining popularity across the life course. In the US, the 2014 American Community Survey found that the number of older men

and women (defined as those aged 50 and older) in a cohabiting relationship was about 1.2 million (or 1.6% of older adults). Since then, the number of cohabiting older adults has nearly tripled to 3.2 million in 2014 (Brown, Bulanda, & Lee, 2005).

The study also found that for the population of cohabitators aged 50 or older, they were younger, on average, than their married and single counterparts; the average age of cohabitators was 60 compared to 67 and 63 for single and married individuals, respectively.

In Australia, marriage has fallen progressively from 58% in 1986 to 49% in 2011. The proportion of marriages has fallen in all age groups up to and including 65–69 years. The decrease among Australians aged 50–54 years and 55–59 years has been greatest — more than 3% since 2006, and 7% since 2001.

According to the latest census data - Marriage and divorces, Australia

2016 - Marriages where both partners were marrying for the first time accounted for 72.3% of all marriage in 2016. The number of marriages where one partner was marrying for the first time decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 16.0% in 2016, while the proportion of remarriages for both partners increased from 11.7% in 2015 to 11.8% in 2016.

While cohabitation is most prevalent among young people, the US experience and census data may suggest that cohabitation is becoming an increasingly common experience among older Australians also.

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Read more:
https://magic.piktochart.com/output/16793753-hemez-brown-cohabitation-middle-later-life-2014-fp-16-20_w

Inertia and cohabitation: It's harder to break it off than only dating

Cohabiting relationships break up all the time, and increasingly so, but the relative difference is the point. All other things being the same, a couple who is cohabiting will have a harder time breaking up than a couple who is only dating.

Because many people cohabit before even having mutual clarity about commitment, such as through engagement or marriage, some people end up staying in relationships, including on into marriage, that they otherwise would have left behind.

So what's the issue? Scott Stanley from the University of Denver claims that many people slide into situations that make it harder to end a relationship before they have made a clear decision about what is best. For those who have strongly clarified mutual commitment to the future before moving in together, such as by being engaged or even married, stand a much better chance of success, perhaps because there is greater clarity between the couple.

Source: · ABS and divorces, Australia 2016 · Stanley, S., and Rhoades, G.,

2016: Testing a Relationship Is Probably the Worst Reason to Cohabit @DECIDEORSLIDE

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Leader: ³¹ "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a new Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'hudah. ³² It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part violated My Covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Y'HoVaH. ³³ "For this is the Covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says Y'HoVaH, "I will put My Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their Elohim, and they will be My people. (Yirem'yahu ~*Jeremiah 31:31-33*)

Congregation: *Isa 12:2* "See! Elohim is my salvation; I am confident and unafraid; for Y'HoVaH Elohim is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!" *Isa 12:3* Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. *Ps 3:8* Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people. *Ps 46:7* Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov.

Leader: "Baruch ata Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, ha motze lechem m'in ha eretz."
Divide Chullah ~platted loaf

Congregation: "Blessed are You Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the Universe who has brought forth bread from the earth. Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot, how happy is anyone who trusts in You! (*Ps 84:12*). Give victory Y'HoVaH! Let the King answer us the day we call. (*Ps 20:9*) I will take the cup of redemption and call upon the Name, Y'HoVaH. (*Ps 116:13*).

Leader: (with cup in right hand) "The cup of deliverance I raise and in the Name of Y'HoVaH, Yeshua HaMashiach, I call: Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech, ha'olam, boray p'ri ha'gafen." (Replace cup with spices)

Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

Leader: Lifting spice container in right hand, says... "Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam, boray meenee besamim."

Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the various spices.

Leader: As Avram gave to Malki-Tzedek according to B'resheet ~*Genesis 14:18-20*, let us all come, make our offering, take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup and return to your seats and wait, so we can partake together.

Leader: Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion. "Let us eat and drink together".

Aharonic Blessing (Hebrew & English) from Tamar & Malachi (Num 6:22-27)

Leader: Our Abba and Elohim of our fathers, we thank you for the joy and rest of this Shabbat. May the coming week bring gladness & peace, health & achievement. Like the fragrance of the besamim, we pray that the days ahead bring sweetness to our lives and the lives of our loved ones. May the peace, which we are enjoying linger till we gather for Shabbat next week.

We ask this in Yeshua's name, Amein.

