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# Be'it Gan-Eden

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A Messianic congregation of  
Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

**SHABBAT NEWSLETTER**  
Day 8 of the 9th Biblical month  
of 7571 (*Septuagint*)

**Parashah 7 Vayetze ~He went out**



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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 (Held during Torah readings & Drash)

**Children** ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark and Rachel. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins in the adjoining room (F5), straight after "Blessing the Children" and 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. Corridors and other common areas of the Southport Community Centre are not play areas. Parents please assist.

## PRAYER FOR THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (Mat 15:24).

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BGE translation: BEIT ~House GAN-EDEN ~Garden [of] Eden ~Paradise

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### TORAH ~Service of The Word

**Parashah 7 Vayetze ~He went out**

**Torah:** B’resheet ~Genesis 28:10 - 32:4

**Haftarah** ~Prophets: Hoshea ~Hosea 12:13-14:10

**Ketuvei HaShelichim** ~Writing [of] the Apostles:

**Yochanan** ~John 1:43-51

### Drash ~sermon: MMin Sean “Yitzhak” Nicholson

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### BGEMC Gold Coast -- Saturdays 2pm

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# A.C.L. WISING UP TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS AND CONVERSION THERAPY AGENDAS

*Martyn Iles | November 13, 2018*  
*Direct link: <https://tinyurl.com/yc2u5psl>*  
*Australian Christian Lobby (ACL)*  
*<https://www.acl.org.au/>*

When I was very young, I watched Disney's Aladdin.

From that day, I'd often speculate about what I'd ask the genie in the lamp if I ever found him.

How could I eke maximum benefit out of just three wishes? Could I phrase my wishes in such a way as to get more wishes? Or perhaps some infinite benefit out of what appeared to be a single wish?

My mind was abuzz with options. Of course, I'd never ask for a million dollars or some specific amount of money. I'd ask for a wallet that never stopped dispensing money – hah! Yes! Clever! Pity the fool who didn't think of that!

It was around this time that I read the story of Solomon.

God gave him one wish which would be His command.

## [Solomon asked for] Wisdom.

Solomon's request deeply impacted me. It impacted me not merely because of what he asked for – though that was part of it – but also why he asked for it.

First, it was because he was humble. He knew that he didn't know. He knew that he was not equipped to discern and understand the realities of this world. He confessed that he was “a little child” concerning the task that lay before him.

But secondly, he identified the particular reality of this world concerning which he would need the most profound help... “to discern between good and evil.”

He wanted wisdom in order to know what was right and what was wrong.

This is a key application of wisdom in today's world because that which is wrong is so often cloaked in what seems right. The deceitfulness of sin means we are sitting ducks without training in godly discernment, insight, understanding and wisdom.

We need wisdom when it comes to people, for example.

We have all known people who present admirably, but after time – years, perhaps – their true colours are finally exposed. Maybe they were never the person we thought they were. Maybe you feel sick to discover they are a wolf in sheep's clothing.

God's own advice rings true, “The heart is deceitful above all things and

desperately wicked. Who can know it?" [Jer 17:9]

We also need wisdom when it comes to judging ideas.

I wrote two weeks ago about self-esteem, self-worth, inner beauty and identity. So many Christians have hitched their wagons to those buzzwords in recent decades.

And now we stand back, wondering why a generation filled with affirmation and ideas of their own empowerment are seduced by a postmodern worldview. Of course they are – it just plays to the script they've already heard, taking it one step further. A step we did not foresee, for lack of wisdom.

Telling a child only how special they were seemed harmless enough. But too often we fail to discern the deeper foundations behind ideas. The attractive, surface veneer of that which is wrong fools us.

Again, we need so much wisdom.

But my call today is not primarily for wisdom in relation to people or ideas, but for wisdom in discerning agendas and understanding the path they lead us down.

This past week has reminded me of two seemingly good causes being pushed in the public square which have a dark underbelly.

One is the reform of legislation to prevent gay students being expelled from religious schools. The government

has promised to introduce legislation shortly, but Labor has upped the ante, demanding an inquiry.

The second is the effort to outlaw so-called "LGBTQ conversion therapy." Thursday's release of the movie *Boy Erased* is the latest PR effort here, though media and political parties have been running a soft campaign for some time.

Each of these sounds like something we could all support, but the devil is in the detail (or, rather, the underlying agenda).

This is a call to wisdom.

The religious schools' reforms began with a straightforward lie. The Sydney Morning Herald claimed that the Ruddock Review recommends schools be able to expel students based on their sexuality.

That was just not true.

But in this false claim was another idea simmering away: the idea that religious schools are in fact expelling students simply because they are same-sex attracted.

It turns out that is simply not true, either.

There is, however, a section in the Sex Discrimination Act which would technically make this possible, so the debate quickly zeroed in on that.

But the section in question is crucial to the protection of Christian schools,

enabling them to operate according to their ethos.

It allows them to uphold a Biblical sexual ethic in the conduct of their staff and student body, something which is surely in accord with the expectations of most parents who make sacrifices to send their children to a Christian school.

It also includes a crucial protection which could enable a school to teach Biblical sexual ethics without falling foul of legal technicalities, or even refuse to teach Safe Schools-style programs without being accused of causing detriment to LGBTQ students.

This is a seriously important matter.

Many, including the Prime Minister, quickly stood on the landmine that had been laid to blow open this debate.

But what is the actual objective?

Is it about protecting gay kids from the persecution they suffer at the hands of religionists?

No.

It is about nothing less than the decimation of the freedom of our Christian schools; Nothing less than a serious attack your ability to raise your children in accord with your moral convictions.

Meanwhile, the conversion therapy debate continues with the release of *Boy Erased* in theatres. It is the story of a young man whose devoutly Christian parents force him to go to a bizarre

bootcamp to knock the gay out of him. The practices are abusive, coercive, demeaning and... wrong.

To the average Australian, the emerging narrative is that conversion therapy based around coercion, electric shocks, bizarre rituals and other madness is alive and well. The term “conversion therapy” itself is enough to conjure up a nightmare.

But that is a lie. It’s not happening.

The more subtle idea is that this has been a mainstream practice in Christianity in the past.

But that is not true, either.

I do not deny that this happened to some, including the boy around which the movie is based. I do not deny that it is tragic, and it should be condemned. I condemn it.

But I don’t think I know a Christian who would have experience with any such practices. Overwhelmingly, we couldn’t even have imagined them. Certainly, I know that they are not a problem in 2018 Australia.

And yet there is a vigorous push on to outlaw so-called “LGBTQ conversion therapy.”

Why?

Because the laws that are being proposed use the name “conversion therapy” to capture more than what we see in *Boy Erased*.

Activists believe that a major oppressor of LGBTQ young people are their parents with Christian moral values. The mere teaching of those values is enough to cause harm to a vulnerable LGBTQ child and therefore ought to be stopped.

So “conversion therapy” really comes to mean anything less than positive affirmation of a child’s felt gender identity of sexual orientation at any given time.

It could become “conversion therapy” to affirm your male child as a boy if he feels like he might be a girl after speaking with the school counsellor.

It could become “conversion therapy” to uphold a Biblical sexual ethic in the family home.

The laws which enshrine the outlawing of conversion therapy are nothing less than an excuse for the long arm of the government to reach into homes and label Christian parents “domestic and psychological abusers” (words taken from the Australian Labor Party’s conversion therapy policy).

They would also prevent pastors, counsellors, and other Christian professionals from teaching the truth that change comes through Christ; the very gospel itself.

This is perhaps one of the most insidious political agendas at work today, and yet it presents as totally compassionate.

It is no wonder that Solomon later

wrote:

Wisdom is the principal thing;  
Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding. [Prov 4:7]

Let us be those who are wise, understanding the times in which we live, and discerning what is right and what is wrong in the agendas that are pushed all around us.

Hebrews 5 calls us to become “those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.” **Amen**

## DEBUNKING THE MYTH OF "GOD GIVEN RABBINIC ORAL LAW"

ONE FOR ISRAEL Ministry video

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<https://youtu.be/Pe5Vw3EtnEE>

The Orthodox Rabbis claim God gave Moses an "Oral Law" on Mt. Sinai (in addition to the written law), which allegedly grants them absolute power and control.

Israeli-Jewish Eitan Bar & Moti Vaknin took the top rabbinic claims in support of a "God given Oral Law" and completely debunked the lie! Despite recent death threats, we added English subtitles so non-Israelis may watch as well! Long, but eye opening!!! Please SHARE the truth!!!

<https://youtu.be/Pe5Vw3EtnEE>

# YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

**Leader:** <sup>31</sup> "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. <sup>32</sup> 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. <sup>33</sup> "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.

