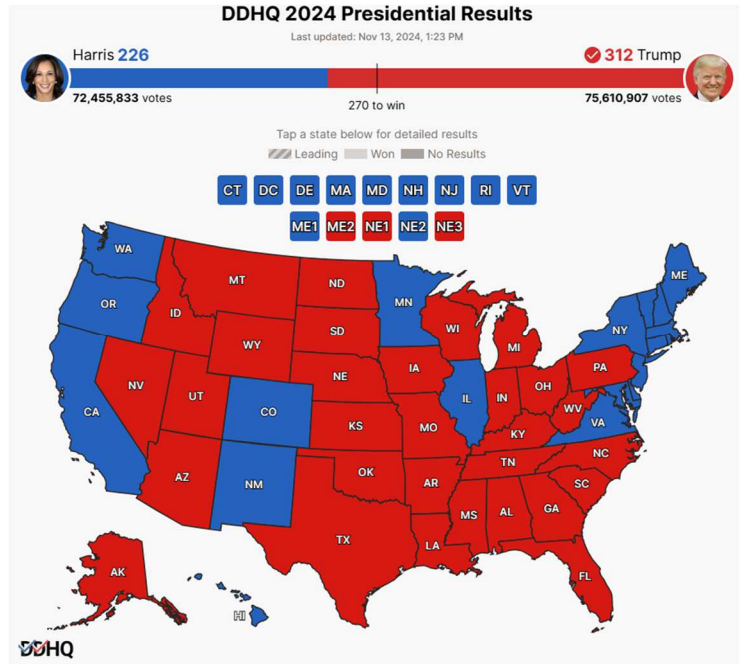


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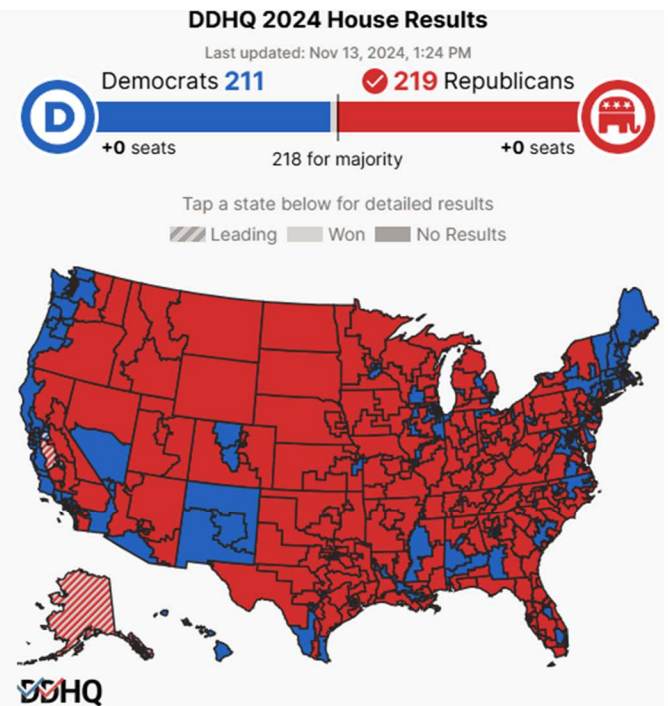
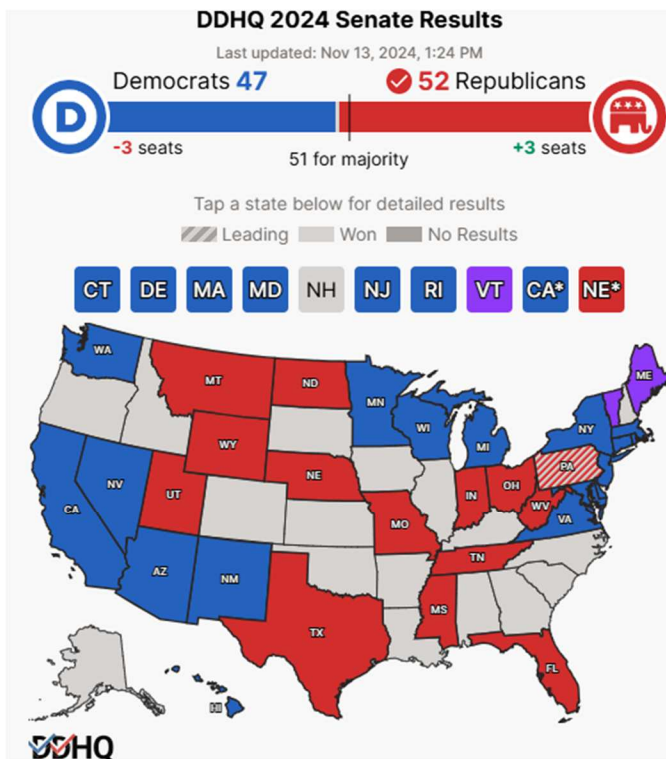
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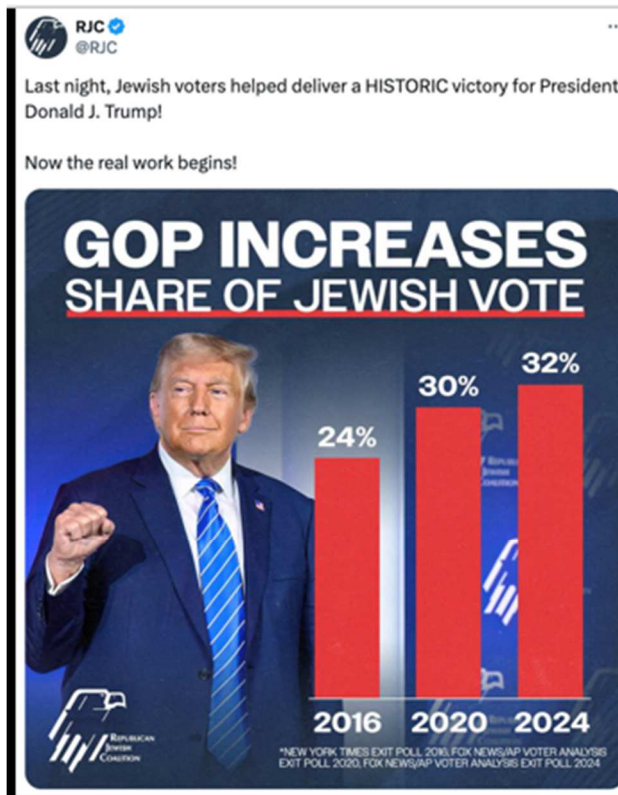
This is Thanksgiving season. Holiday soon. I would like to express great praise in my heart ...

[Three numbers to memorize ...]



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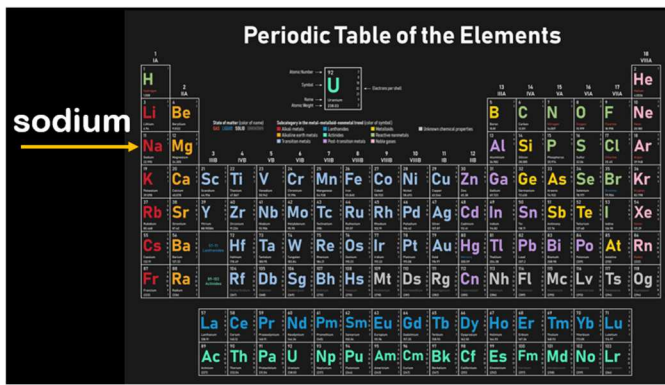
So, I am thankful.

- Salty humor

I wanted to post a joke about Sodium

I wanted to post a joke about Sodium but I was like Na, people won't understand

- I have some chemistry with this



<https://9gag.com/gag/aXbv9W2>

Cross stitch

A major subject of disagreement, misunderstanding, hurt feelings among Messianics ...

JEWS & GENTILES

IS THERE A TORAH DIFFERENCE?

Rabbi Shmuel Wolkenfeld

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Yn 8.31-32 So Yeshua said to the Judeans who had trusted him, "... You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

There are at least 7 scriptures stating the differing Torah requirements between Jews and Gentiles in the Messianic Scriptures/New Testament.

Acts 15.1-2 But some men came down from Y'hudah to Antioch and began teaching the brothers, "You can't be saved unless you undergo b'rit-milah / circumcision in the manner prescribed by Moshe." This brought them into **no small measure of discord and dispute** with Sha'ul and Bar-Nabba. *[This has been an argument for a loooooong time.]*

Acts 15.5 But some belonging to the party of the P'rushim / Pharisees who had believed stood up, saying, "It is necessary to circumcise them and to command them to keep the Torah of Moshe."

1. Ebionites Evyonim אביונים Gentiles keep all the Torah
2. Nazarenes Natsratim נצרתיים more nuanced approach *[#2 has a learning curve]*
3. Minority and majority
4. Minority comes back, Hebrew roots

[First] Jerusalem Council

Acts 15.6-7 The emissaries and the elders met to look into this matter. After **lengthy debate**, Kefa got up and said to them ...

Acts 15.10-11 Why then do you put God to the test by **putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples**—which neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But instead, we believe that we are saved through the love and kindness of the Lord Yeshua, in the same way as they are." *[The yoke is what will not be put upon the new Gentile believers, that the Jews bear.]*

What is exactly is the yoke?

[My thesis, main point of this message: The yoke was never precisely defined.]

Acts 15.19-21 "Therefore, my opinion is that we should **not put obstacles** in the way of the Goyim who are turning to God. Instead, we should write them a letter telling them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from fornication, from what is strangled and from blood. For from the earliest times, **Moshe has had in every city those who proclaim him, with his words being read in the synagogues every Shabbat.**

[These words have been the subject of debate.]

What exactly are the obstacles?

Two interpretations of these verses:

- Moshe has been read and little effect on Gentiles. *Fugetaboutit!*
- Moshe has been read. Now, in Messiah, they'll get it and embrace Torah. But, timeline to do so? *[These are the alternative views of the Natsratim/Nazarenes. Evyonim/Ebionites demanded instant TOTAL adherence to Torah. This view was rejected at the Acts 15 Jerusalem Council.]*

Acts 15.24 We have heard that some people went out from among us without our authorization, and that they have upset you with their talk, **unsettling your minds** [TLV some mss. add saying, "You must be circumcised and keep the law,"].

[Conclusion of the Jerusalem Council Acts 15]

What talk,
“unsettling your minds.” ?

Acts 15.27-29 We therefore have sent to you Judah and Silas, who themselves will report to you the same things by word of mouth. It seemed good to the Ruakh ha-Kodesh and to us not to place on you any greater burden than these essentials:

[Burden?]

Acts 15.27-29 that you abstain from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality. By keeping away from these things, you will do well.

[Later “Don’t ask / don’t tell about idol offered meat.”

This can’t be complete. No reference to truth telling, murder, generosity. Just a hint.]

Acts 21.25 “As for Gentiles who have believed, however, we have written by letter what we decided—for them to abstain from what is offered to idols, and from blood, and from what is strangled, and from immorality.”

[Tanakh, Hebrew scriptures background on the reference to blood ...]

Vayikra/Lev 17. 13-14 “When someone from the community of Isra’el or one of the foreigners living with you hunts and catches game, whether animal or bird that may be eaten, he is to pour out its blood and cover it with earth.

[Not for outsiders]

Vayikra/Lev 17. 13-14 For the life of every creature — its blood is its life. Therefore I said to the people of Isra’el, ‘You are not to eat the blood of any creature, because the life of every creature is its blood. Whoever eats it will be cut off.’

Gal. 2.7 On the contrary, they saw that I had been entrusted with the Good News for the uncircumcised just as Peter was for the circumcised.

[Pause, let’s examine that wording]

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Dr. Willitts' states that there are two different gospels, not two different messages. Sounds confusing, however it’s clear when it is acknowledged that the Gentile’s relationship to Torah is completely different than the Jew’s. With the covenantal identity that exists for the Jew within Torah also comes a covenantal responsibility to Torah. Whereas the Gentile is not obligated to Torah like the Jew is.

[Brett Clear's notes on the Yeshiva class called "Paul's Letter to the Galatians." The teacher's name is Dr. Joel Willitts]

Gal. 2.14 But when I saw that they were not walking in line with the truth of the Good News, I said to Peter in front of everyone, "If you—being a Jew—live like the Gentiles and not like the Jews, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

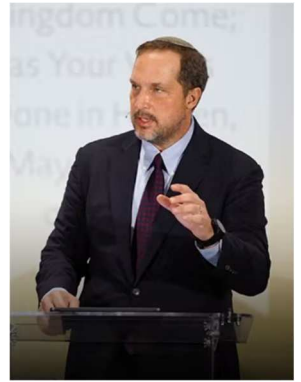
All the terms for what the Gentiles in the congregations are NOT obligated to do ... the yoke, the obstacles, the unsettling issues, the greater burden mean SOMETHING, but are never definitively clarified.

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Boaz Michael, founder of First Fruits of Zion,
an educational Messianic organization.
"We believe that the Torah of Moses (Genesis- -Deut.)
is God's initial revelation and self-disclosure not only to Israel,
but to all of humanity."

[https://torahclub.ffoz.org/malchut/then-the-end-will-come.html#.YqfaLQLm_zE.gmail]



FFOZ varying interpretations:

1. divine permission 1990's,
2. One Law 2000, [uninvited from the Messiah Conf.]
3. divine invitation 2009,
4. distinction theology

Covenant: ^{1 Kefa/Peter 2.9} But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

[But who is this addressed to?]

Undefined terms for the difference in Torah observance:

- The Yoke
- The obstacles
- The burden
- Unsettling the minds

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Real distinction ^{Ro 11.12-15} Now if their transgression leads to riches for the world, and their loss riches for the Gentiles, then **how much more their fullness!** For if their rejection leads to the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but **life from the dead?**

[Focus: much more riches, life from the dead!!]

This applies if and when Jewish people come to Messiah in repentance and faith for salvation, and then life as Jews in Yeshua.]

That is, when a Jew comes to Messiah, and lives Jewishly, in Torah, community, there is a cosmic multiplying effect.

When a Jew comes to faith and assimilates into the church, in a sense, Israel is not saved.

[There are many Jews in the churches who've forgotten, or dismissed who they are. Holidays, food, prayers, culture.]

^{Zekh 8.23} Thus says Adoni-Tzva'ot, "In those days it will come to pass that ten men from every language of the nations will grasp the corner of the garment of a Jew saying, 'Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.'"

[Ten to one is the experience of Yehudim for Yeshua ... when one Jewish person comes to repentance and faith, there is an overflow in the Ruakh/Spirit, and ten Gentiles come to faith in Messiah.]

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[Much more riches, life from the dead!!]

Collision of Black Holes, radiation of power >> James E. Webb telescope can handle!]



Much more riches, life from the dead!!

<https://youtu.be/c6W2suGacjQ>

Much more riches, life from the dead!!

So we are here not just for the Jews. If the Jews get restored, the Gentiles profit IMMENSELY!!

Dr. Michael Brown's comment:

50 Jews in a Messianic Syn has more impact on the Jewish community than 500 Jews in the churches. That's why we seek the Jew first. Not better, not more important, but a covenantal responsibility.

[Jews in the churches: “they just chickened out of being Jewish. Maintaining our people.”]

So, what is the difference between Jews and Gentiles in Torah observance?

Nothing, in practice, except circumcision.

^{1 Cor. 7.18} Was anyone called when he already had been circumcised? Let him not make himself uncircumcised. Has anyone been called while uncircumcised? Let him not allow himself to be circumcised.

[Cosmetic surgery so men appeared uncircumcised, since nudity and exposure was part of Greek culture. No spandex then so sports, Olympics, done nude.

Babies can be circumcised, for identity with Israel, and health. But we can't and shouldn't think we can make them Jewish.]

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Everything, in spiritual, cosmic, multiplying, world shaking effect.

There is GREAT power for Jewish people to serve the Messiah Jewishly.

^{Ro 11.11} Deliverance has come to the Gentiles, in order to provoke them to jealousy.

[One of our people: “I’m not Jewish, but I practice Judaism.”

A great way to bless Israel, and yourself.

Shabbat commerce, restaurants, Biblically kosher foods, prayer, Hebrew, Israel.

So having a Messianic Jewish congregation

- *For Jews: greater riches and life from the dead to the Gentiles*

For Gentiles, bless Israel and be blessed]

Definitive scripture that the Gentiles can keep Torah, but a gradual and individualized learning curve is expected.

^{Ro 14.1-5} The one who eats anything must not look down on the one who abstains; and the abstainer must not pass judgment on the one who eats anything, because God has accepted him — who are you to pass judgment on someone else’s servant? It is before his own master that he will stand or fall; and the fact is that he will stand, because the Lord is able to make him stand. One person considers some days more holy than others, while someone else regards them as being all alike. Now as for a person whose trust is weak, welcome him — but not to get into arguments over opinions. One person has the trust that will allow him to eat anything, while another whose trust is weak eats only vegetables.

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This huge world impact from Jews behaving Jewishly, Toraically, is reflected in two major ministries in the world of believers.

Rabbi Marty Waldman, Baruch HaShem Cong., Dallas, TX



In about 2005 Marty Waldman had the idea of calling a second Jerusalem council. Whereas the first Council was made up of Jewish believers in Yeshua who decided not to impose on the Gentiles the requirements of the Jewish law, so the second Council would be made up of Gentile church leaders, who would recognize and welcome the Jewish believers in Yeshua without requiring them to abandon their Jewish identity and practice.

[\[https://www.peterhocken.org/en/tjcii\]](https://www.peterhocken.org/en/tjcii)



TJCII is led by an International Leadership Council (ILC) of fourteen leaders, seven Jewish and seven Gentile leaders, who are broadly representative of the different international movements and churches, historic and modern that confess Yeshua as Lord and Savior.

[\[https://www.tjcii.org\]](https://www.tjcii.org)

What are the 7 Affirmations?

- 1 We affirm the election of Israel...
- 2 We affirm that Jews who come to faith in the Messiah, Jesus, are called to retain their Jewish identity...
- 3 We affirm the formation of Messianic Jewish congregations as a significant and effective way to express Jewish collective identity (in Jesus)...

- 4 We affirm our willingness as an ecclesiastical body to build bridges...
- 5 We affirm our willingness to share our resources...
- 6 We affirm our willingness to be a voice within our own ecclesiastical structures...
- 7 Finally, we affirm that as Jewish and Gentile expressions of life in Jesus grow organically side by side with distinct identities that God will be glorified...

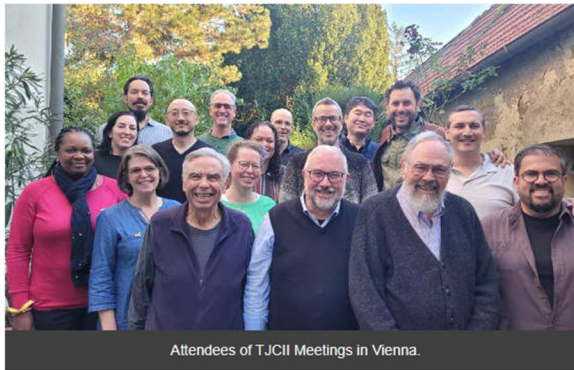
[\[https://www.tjcii.org/7-affirmations/\]](https://www.tjcii.org/7-affirmations/)

Toward Jerusalem Council 2 – From Dan Juster: This month [Nov., 2024] I traveled to Vienna (Heinberg) for an important training meeting for ... Toward Jerusalem Council II. This is our effort to see all Church bodies come into alignment with Israel / the Jewish people and the Messianic

Jewish Community. Our younger leaders came from Europe, Brazil, the United States, Japan, Korea, and Africa.

[\[http://www.tikkuninternational.org/rfz/nov24.htm\]](http://www.tikkuninternational.org/rfz/nov24.htm)

<https://www.tjcii.org>
<https://mysteriumchristi.org/>



Marilyn Griffin, a spiritual matriarch in Kansas City.

[\[https://mnewlife.org/about\]](https://mnewlife.org/about)

- 1987 started the City Wide Prayer movement.
- Midwest Minister's Fellowship
- Renunciation of the dedication of Kansas City to Pallas Athena 9/29/1886 - 9/29/2000

[I often attend a monthly prayer meeting which came out of this.]

A new Kansas City tradition emerged on October 13, 1887 with the first Priests of Pallas parade. President Grover Cleveland and his new bride, Frances, were on hand to witness the spectacle that would begin after nightfall.

A crowd waited at the gates of the "Priests' Den," a warehouse where all of the horse-drawn floats were staged. As the doors swung open, fireworks lit the path of mounted and armored guards, the robed Priests of Pallas, and a float bearing the queen Athena, or rather, an elaborately-costumed performer.

[\[https://kchistory.org/week-kansas-city-history/we-play-pallas\]](https://kchistory.org/week-kansas-city-history/we-play-pallas)

Marilyn led a city wide renunciation of this dedication of KC to the Greek god Pallas.

Marilyn's greatest insight ...]

Rev 2.1- 5 To the angel of Messiah's community in Ephesus write: "Thus says the One who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks in the midst of the seven golden menorot: I know all about your deeds and your toil and your patient endurance, and that you cannot bear those who are evil...You have not grown weary. "But this I have against you, **that you have forsaken your first love.** Remember then from where you have fallen. Repent and do the deeds you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your menorah from its place—unless you repent.

First love?

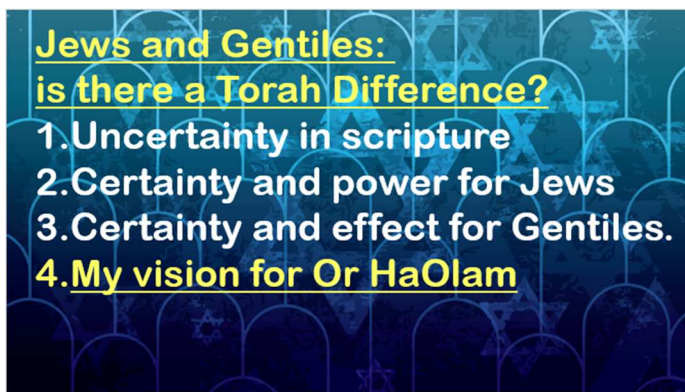
- Not truth of scripture.
- Not deity of Messiah.
- Not longsuffering: martyrs then
- ??

Love of Torah mitzvot!!



2008, May 13 Marilyn orchestrated a public repentance service at Kehilath Israel Synagogue.

- The mayor of Leawood apologized to the Jewish community for deed restrictions barring Jews.
- The president of the St. Luke's Hospital System apologized for a hiring prohibition of Jewish doctors at St. Luke's.



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My vision of what Or HaOlam should communicate to Jews and the Nations [since 1969]

Yeshayahu/Is 6 1-3

In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw Adoni sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the Temple. Seraphim were standing above Him. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. One called out to another, and said: "Holy, holy, holy, is Adoni -Tzva'ot! The whole earth is full of His glory."

[Yn 12.41 Yesha'yahu / Is said these things because he saw the Sh'khinah of Yeshua and spoke about him.]

Yeshayahu/Is 60.1

Arise, shine [Yerushalayim], for your light has come, the glory of Adoni has risen over you.

Jews and Gentile walking in harmony and love in forgiveness through the atoning Blood, working out Torah obedience in the joyful, supernatural power of the Ruakh/Spirit.

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1. Do you KNOW Yeshua and the assurance of sins forgiven?
2. Are you hearing daily from His Word?
3. How are you applying what you heard?
4. Are you asking this of another? Who are you discipling, building up?

Third hour prayer points:

1. Israeli wars external and now internal: seeing G-d's hand!
2. Transition and implementation of new administration's policies.

Revival is individuals, Reformation is the culture.



<https://www.jns.org/quiet-coup-drags-bibi-to-court-during-war/>

(Worthy Insights) – Establishment powers in Israel have decided to join the seven-front war against the Jewish state by targeting Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

In addition to managing the war, the premier will be held in court for seven hours a day in a courthouse unprotected from rocket fire and drone attacks.

Sounds crazy? It is. Worst of all, the deep state is attacking Netanyahu and the right-wing government on other fronts as well.



[https://allisrael.com/videos/prayer-points-for-gaza-s-civilians-a-biblical-response-to-conflict-all-israel-prayer-points?utm_source=convertkit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=IDF%20troops%20push%20deeper%20into%20Lebanon%20as%20US%20sends%20ceasefire%20proposal%20to%20Hezbollah%20%20-%2015653437]

Dr. Simone Gold, MD, JD, an emergency physician and attorney, is the visionary who led the pivotal press conference event that broke the spell of the coronavirus panic in 2020.



Dr. Simone Gold



Pentagon holding secret meetings to discuss going rogue under Trump?

Senior officials at the Department of Defense (DoD) have been holding secret meetings to discuss how to thwart President-Elect Donald Trump's orders, according to a CNN report last week.

Pentagon leadership are war-gaming a scenario in which Trump orders the military to assist in the mass deportations of millions of illegal immigrants who flooded in under the Biden-Harris administration.

They are also preparing a response if Trump fires large swathes of federal employees, which he likely will. The incoming president is designing a major overhaul of the federal government and recently announced plans to dismantle the Department of Education.

[<https://www.thegoldreport.com/news/pentagon-holding-secret-meetings-to-discuss-going-rogue-under-trump>]