God's Sacred Calendar & God's Holy Days

Day of Atonement Part 6

Scriptures

- **Leviticus 23** – Discusses the four appointed days of the LORD that correspond to Jesus’ ministry.
- **Leviticus 23:26-28**: The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “On exactly the tenth day of this seventh month is the Day of Atonement; it shall be a holy convocation for you, and you shall humble your souls and present an offering by fire to the LORD. You shall not do any work on this same day, for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement on your behalf before the LORD your God.”
- **Exodus 19**: God blows the shofar and visits His people at Mt. Sinai.
- **Revelation 22:12**: Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done.
- **Leviticus 17:11**: For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.
- **2 Corinthians 5:21**: He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
- **John 3:36**: He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”
- **John 8:24**: Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.
- **Malachi 4:1**: For behold, the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.
- **Obadiah 1:15**: For the day of the LORD draws near on all the nations. As you have done, it will be done to you.
  Your dealings will return on your own head.
- **Daniel 12:1-2**: “Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.”
- **Hebrews 9:27-28**: And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.
- **Isaiah 13:8-10**
- **Zephaniah 1:14-18**
- **Ezekiel 26:19-20**
Main Points

Review
- The fall holy days are prophetic shadows of what will happen upon Jesus’ second coming.
- Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are the two most holy days of the Jewish year.
- Jesus is the fulfillment of all the holy days throughout the Jewish year.
- The seventh month of the Hebrew year is called Tishrei. Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and the Feast of Tabernacles all take place during this month.
- The Feast of Trumpets is to remind us that JESUS IS COMING BACK!

- Jesus wants us to view His returning with expectancy and as if it will be soon.
- The period of time between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is referred to as “The ten days of awe.” This time is for self-examination and repentance.
- Yom = “Day and Kippur = “Covering”; it is the day when God covered sin with the blood of an animal.
- On the Day of Atonement the high priest first washed his whole body, then put on a simple white linen garment, then carried a bull’s blood into the holy of holies and poured it over the ark of the covenant for his own sins, and finally, took the blood of a goat and poured it out on the altar for the whole nation.
- After pouring out the goat’s blood, the high priest would lay his hands on another goat and confess the sins of Israel and that goat was taken away. Azazel = “Scapegoat”
- Jesus, the innocent One, shed His blood for our sin and died in our place just like the bulls and goats died for the sin of Israel year after year historically.
- The greatest need of every human being is to be forgiven. Without Jesus’ forgiveness we will die in our sins.
- Yom Kippur is about forgiveness. It is a fearful and infinitely terrifying thing to face God’s judgment without Jesus’ forgiveness (blood and righteousness covering you), but it is available to you today!

Discussion Questions
- The time between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is called “The ten days of awe”. Why is this? What is the application for you today?

2. Discuss the prophetic significance of the high priestly process on the Day of Atonement.

3. Why was Jesus’ death (blood being poured out) so important?

4. What is the greatest need of every person? How should this impact the way you view your life, decisions, and priorities? Discuss with the group.

5. If you have received Jesus as your Savior, express to Him what the Day of Atonement means to you in prayer. If you have not asked Jesus to forgive and cover your sins and committed your life to Him, you can do that right now.