How JUDAISM & CHRISTIANITY SEPARATED

Study Guide: Inclusion

DISCOVERING THEJEWISH JESUS with Rabbi Schneider A Jewish Believer In Jesus

Inclusion EPISODE 5

Series: How Judaism and Christianity Separated

Introduction

Jesus did not come to abolish the Law but to fulfill it (Matthew 5:17). Rabbi continues in this episode to explain how Judaism and Christianity came to be two separate religions even though that was never Jesus' intent. Fill in the blanks below as Rabbi unravels the complicated history of Judaism after the Roman desctruction of the Temple.

GENTILE

Anyone who is not Jewish

Fill in the blanks from Episode 5.

Jesus came to ______ the Law.

Peter was told that what God has cleansed to no longer call

 "In your seed shall be obeyed My voice." Genesis 22:18	, because you have
 Orthodox Judaism has an anti brought about by the Pharisees originally rejected Jesus.	
 A Jewish person that believes in `Jew.	Yeshua is called a

Key Points

Though Jesus says He was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel in Matthew 15:24, in Acts 10 God revealed to Peter that the time had come for the Gospel to be offered to the Gentiles as well.

The inclusion of the Gentiles contributed to the separation of Christianity from Judaism. A curse was added to the liturgy of Rabbinic Judaism, developed in 90 AD at the Council of Yavneh, against anyone who didn't follow the way of the Pharisees. This had the affect of forcing Jewish believers in Jesus out of the synagogues. Why was it difficult for the Jewish people who lived during the time of Yeshua to accept the inclusion of Gentiles into relationship with the God of Israel? How did this further separate the non-believing Jews from believers in Jesus?

How did Peter himself struggle with this concept, even having been given the vision? Why did Paul call him a hypocrite? Does this help you understand what a shift this was for the traditioanl Jewish mindset that believed in separation from the non-Jewish world? Take a minute to reflect on how you might have dealt with this if you were a Jewish person

in this day.

The destruction of the temple in Jerusalem by the Romans destroyed the three pillars of Judaism and its foundational practices. How did the rabbinical leaders who reinvented Judaism deal with the loss of the temple, the priests, and the sacrifices? How is this making difficult for Jewish people today to accept the Gospel and receive Jesus?

Those involved in this reinvention forced out of the synagogues what group of Jewish people? Is the rejection of Messianic Jews today rooted all the way back to what happened at Yavneh in 90 AD? Take a moment now to pray for Messianic Jewish believers as well as for those who have no belief. May God continue to gather His chosen to the cross of Christ.