

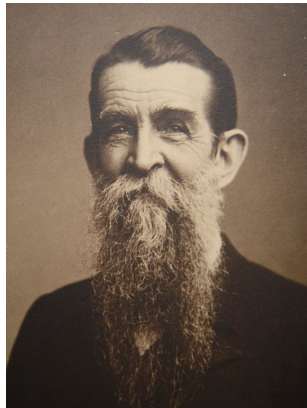
The Torah Project

Genesis 15b

Isaiah 41:8

“But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen,
Descendant of Abraham My friend...”

“THE BLOOD COVENANT”



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THE SEMITIC BLOOD COVENANT

Animal is cut in half and the participants walk together between the pieces.

Jeremiah 34:18-19 “And I will give the men who have transgressed My covenant, who have not fulfilled the words of the covenant which they made before Me, *when* they cut the calf in two and passed between its parts – the officials of Judah, and the officials of Jerusalem, the court officers, and the priests, and all the people of the land, who passed between the parts of the calf ...

Hebrews 10:19-20 Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,

Blood is drawn and exchanged

Genesis 17:9-10 God said further to Abraham, “Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised.”

Matthew 26:27-28 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.

John 6:53 + Hebrews 13:20

Covenantal Scar

Genesis 17:11 “And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be the sign of the covenant between Me and you.”

Luke 24:38-40 And He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet .

Written copies signed/sealed in blood

Exodus 24:7-8 Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, “All that Adonai has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient!” So Moses took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant, which Adonai has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

Matthew 26:27-28 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.”

Written copies sealed and worn

Deuteronomy 6:8 And you shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead.

Deuteronomy 31:26 Take this book of the Torah and place it beside the ark of the covenant of Adonai your God, that it may remain there as a witness against you

Romans 12:1 I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

Exchange of Armor

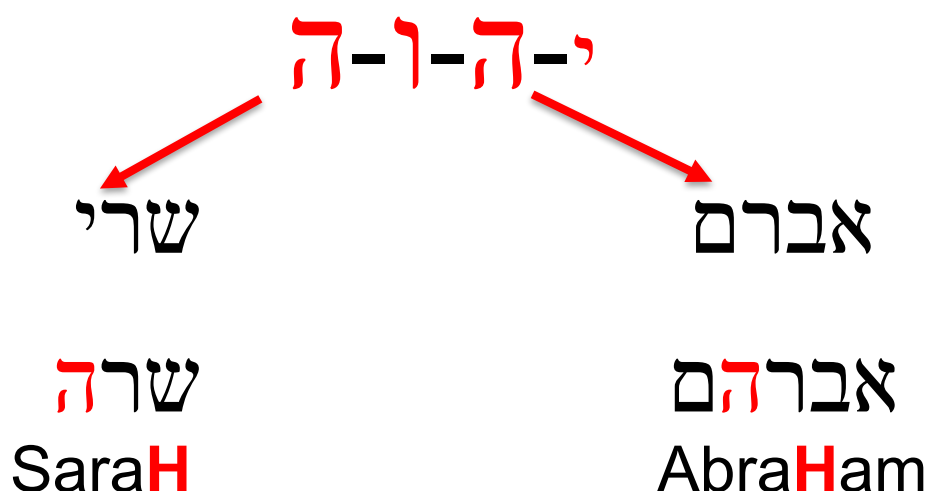
Genesis 15:1 After these things the word of Adonai came to Abram in a vision, saying, “Do not fear, Abram, I am a **shield** to you...”

Isaiah 59:17 And He put on righteousness like a **breastplate**, and a **helmet of salvation** on His head...

Ephesians 6:13-17 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Exchange of Names

Genesis 17:2,5,15 “And I will establish My covenant between Me and you, and I will multiply you exceedingly... No longer shall your name be called **Abram**, but your name shall be **Abraham**; for I will make you the father of a multitude of nations...” Then God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name **Sarai**, but **Sarah** shall be her name.”



John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

Revelation 2:17 “...To him who overcomes, to him I will give *some* of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.”

Exchange of Property

Genesis 15:7 And He said to him, “I am Adonai who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess it.”

Romans 12:1 I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

Exchange of Sons

Genesis 22 – The Akeidah

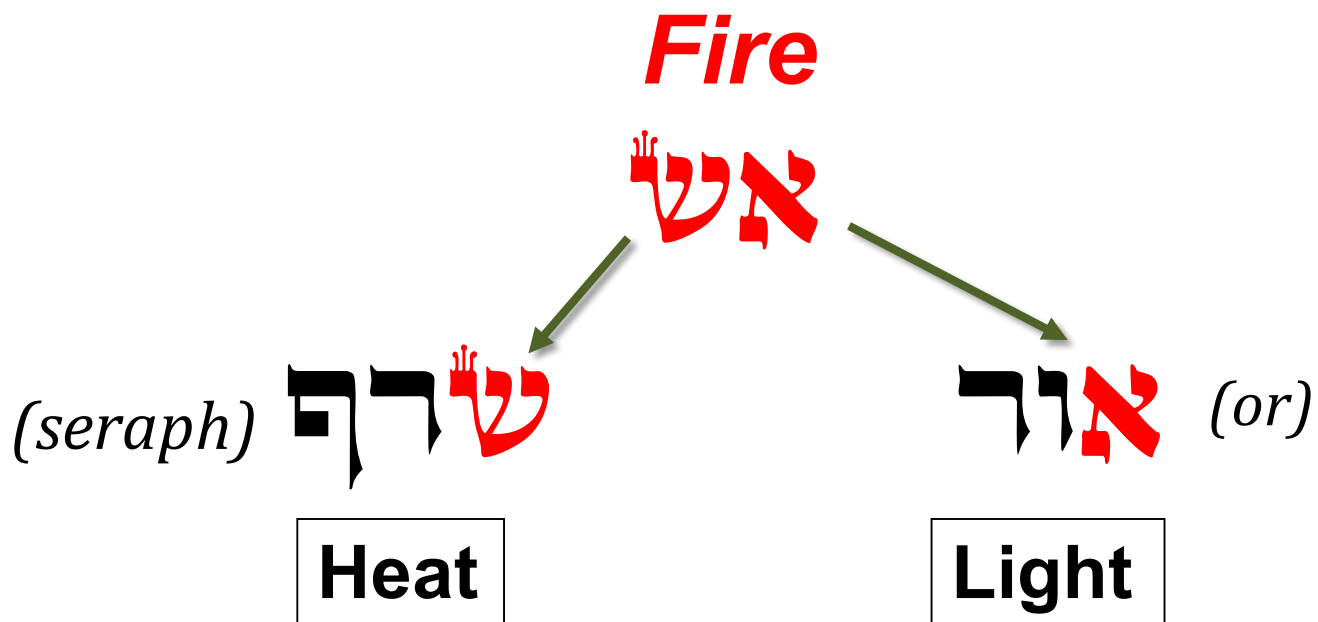
John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

Covenant Meal

Exodus 24:3, 9-11 Then Moses came and recounted to the people all the words of Adonai and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, “All the words which Adonai has spoken we will do!” ... Then Moses went up with Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and they saw the God of Israel; and under His feet there appeared to be a pavement of sapphire, as clear as the sky itself. Yet He did not stretch out His hand against the nobles of the sons of Israel; and they beheld God, and they ate and drank.

Luke 22:14-19 And when the hour had come He reclined at the table, and the apostles with Him. And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I say to you, I shall never again eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He said, “Take this and share it among yourselves; for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine from now on until the kingdom of God comes.” And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”

The Torch and the Oven



PHYSICAL VS. SPIRITUAL OFFSPRING

GENESIS 13:14-18	GENESIS 15:4-7
After separation from Lot	After rescue of Lot
Land → Seed	Seed → Land
“Dust”	“Stars”
Response: Explore → Altar	Response: Faith
Physical Offspring	Spiritual Offspring

Ephesians 2:11-13

Therefore remember, that formerly you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called “Uncircumcision” by the so-called “Circumcision”, *which is performed in the flesh by human hands* – *remember* that you were at that time...

- ...separate from Messiah...
- ...excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and...
- ...strangers to the covenants of promise...
- ...having no hope and ...
- ...without God in the world.

But now in Messiah Yeshua you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Messiah.