# WHO IS THE KAHAL/EKKLESIA/CHURCH?

**Matthew 16:18** – "And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my kahal, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

### Yalkut Shimoni 766

"When the Holy One wanted to create the world He passed over the generations of Enoch and the Flood; but when He saw Abraham who was to arise, He said, 'Behold, I have found a rock on which I can build and establish the world.' Therefore He called Abraham a rock, as it is said, 'Look to the rock from which you were hewn (Isaiah 51:1)."

**Genesis 9:27** – "May God enlarge Japheth, and let him dwell in the tents of Shem, and let Canaan be his servant."

**Genesis 10:21** – "To Shem also, the father of all the <u>children of</u> <u>Eber</u>, the elder brother of Japheth, children were born."

OR: "those who cross over"

**Genesis 12:3** – "I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

OR: "be grafted in"

**Matthew 8:11-12** — "I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven..."

#### Romans 11:17-25 - The Olive tree and the Wild Branch -

v18 - "Do not be arrogant toward the branches..."

v18 – "...the root supports you!"

v20 – "Do not be conceited, but fear."

v21 – "If God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare you either."

v22 – "...if you continue in His kindness; otherwise He will not spare you either."

v25 – "...so that you will not be wise in your own estimation."

## Hebrews 11 - The 'Hall of Faith'

v40 — "...because God has provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made complete."

## **Revelation 21:12-14** - The Gates & the Foundation Stones

**12** Gates = **12** Tribes of Israel → *Pearls* 

12 Stones = 12 Apostles —— Jewels