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Is the Law really for believers today? Many would tell you that it is not, that the Law was for the Old Testament and grace is for believers today. Let's look at this Law and see what the Word of God has to say about it, and if it applies to our lives as believers in the 21st century.

Have you ever thought of what an ideal father would be like? He would be kind and loving. He would be available to talk with you and listen to what you had to say. He would provide for you and teach you the benefits of working diligently and using the talents with which you have been blessed. He would establish boundaries for you, so that you would be protected and blessed. He would teach you to walk on the path that is guarded by his rules, so that you would not be devoured by the enemy of your soul. He would model for you how to do what is right and live a life that is holy.

This definition could go on, but it is obvious that this description of the ideal father could also be a description of our Father, God.

In that description of the ideal father, the words "teach, boundaries and rules" were used. Every good father teaches boundaries and rules that will protect his children. In the Bible there is a word that conveys the meaning of these three words. It is the word "torah". In Strong's Concordance #8451, "torah" is defined as the word law. Law is defined as - precept, statute or law. The word for law in Hebrew is Torah. Pastor Mark always teaches us that Torah is defined as law, instruction and teaching and custom(1). When we see the law as God's instruction and teaching, it is like a dirt encrusted

diamond. The dirt is like the negativity people have against the law, but when the negativity is swept away by understanding the true meaning of the law, the diamond of God's teachings and instructions are left exposed; our understanding changes and we welcome God's teachings and instructions! The Torah (law) is the instruction of God for us, and teaches us how to live within the boundaries He has set for us. This is beautiful - This is something that a loving father would do. Understanding this definition, we begin to see the love encompassed in the law, because it is the Father's instruction to us, teaching us how to live within boundaries He has established that will protect us and cause us to be blessed!!

Blessed? Am I saying that the Law is a blessing to us? Oh, yes! Psalm 119 is a psalm that teaches the Hebrew aleph bet, and the entire Psalm teaches us the great benefits of walking in the Law of the Lord. Psalm 119:1 begins with the Hebrew word אשׂרַי(ahsray). In Strong's, #835 the definition of "ashray" is: how happy! blessed. This word, אשׂרַי (ashray) is used in a way that shows the utmost enthusiasm. It goes on to say - Oh how blessed (or happy) are those that are undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD! Do we want to be happy? Do we want to be blessed? Of course. This verse tells us how - walk in the law - live out the teachings of the Lord. I hope this thought puts a big smile in your hearts.

If I may share with you one more amazing insight we get from the treasure chest of Psalm 119 when we read it with the Hebrew definitions of the words. It is Psalm 119:18. In English it says: Open my eyes that I may see wondrous things from Your law. In Hebrew it says: Heap up! Pile up before my eyes so that I may look at and pay attention to the miraculous, extraordinary things from Your Torah (law). Now that is exciting! God's Torah - law - is so wonderful and extraordinary that you can heap up and pile up the amazing aspects of it and just look at it, behold it as something beautiful - like a whole heap of treasure! There is no negativity here. Who doesn't want to pay attention to extraordinary things that the Lord has given you?

If you take the definition of תּוֹרָה(Torah): law, instruction, teaching, custom and put those words in a sentence, it would make sense to say: The law is instruction on how to live, teaching us God's ways and giving us customs that should help us to proclaim that we are His people.

As the days get darker, we want to be a greater and greater light in this world. Living by God's law will cause us to be just that.

Far from being negative or legalistic, the law is the wonderful teaching of God. Is it for the 21st century believer? It is for all His people who want to be happy and blessed. I encourage you to read Psalm 119 and begin to heap up and pile up all the wondrous things you can find in it about the Law. I pray that you are blessed and encouraged by what you discover.

Here are 2 questions to think about:

Read Jeremiah 31:31-33

What is the topic of Jeremiah 31:31?

In verse 33, what is it that God will put in minds and write on hearts?

Is there anything you find surprising about these verses?

Shalom,  
Sherry Lush

(1) The Vocabulary Guide to Biblical Hebrew by Miles V. Van Pelt and Gary D. Pratico p. 12 #201

## **Announcement!**

We will be removing some things from the newsletter. Our Recommended products and emails with special announcements on other products that get sent out every once in a while will move to a separate mailing list. If you wish to get this information you will need to sign up for that list on our website.

We will also be starting a separate mailing list for other special announcements like special guest appearances and upcoming events. If you wish to get this information emailed to you, you will need to sign up for that list on our website.

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**[A Watchman on the Wall Report](#)**



Since the kidnapping and funeral of Eyal Yifrach, Gilad Saar, and Naftali Frenkel tensions between Gaza and Israel has escalated with more and more rockets being fired from Gaza into Israel. It appears that Israel is not going to take it anymore. The IDF has called in 40,000 of their reserves and began Operation Protective Edge. With Operation Protective Edge the IDF (including the IDF Navy) and the IAF have destroyed many Hamas terrorists and their locations. Unfortunately Hamas uses Palestinians as human shields effectively hindering the IDF from striking certain areas. Israel has then been blamed for the deaths of civilians because Hamas has used them as shields. Meanwhile PM Benjamin Netanyahu accuses Hamas of not only war crimes for trying to intentionally hit Israeli citizens but also for using the local Gaza population as shields, effectively putting those citizens in danger. Rockets have been hitting in Southern Israel for days. Jerusalem was hit the other day with no casualties. Today Tel Aviv was hit despite the Iron Dome having blocked a number of rockets fired at the city. The Iron Dome has shot down many rockets in the last few weeks and days as rocket fire from Gaza escalates. Just recently we have learned that rockets from Gaza have reached as far as Haifa (102 miles from Gaza), that is the farthest they have ever gone. Many reports as well as statistics are showing that around 300 rockets have been fired at Israel since Operation Protective Edge was launched a mere two days ago. IDF Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. Benny Gantz, has approved plans for a ground offensive into Gaza today. Reports say that things with Gaza will grow in the coming hours and that attacks from the IAF will become even more intense. Many articles and news stories are reporting that Israeli officials are saying that this may not be over with quickly.

For news source on what is happening in and to Israel follow the links below.

\*The Jerusalem Post  
<http://www.jpost.com/>  
\*Arutz Sheva  
<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/>  
\*The Times of Israel  
<http://www.timesofisrael.com/>  
\*Haaretz  
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\*Israel Defense Forces  
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\*Jews News  
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<http://www.ynetnews.com/home/0,7340,L-3083,00.html>  
\*Jewish Journal  
<http://www.jewishjournal.com/>  
\*The Israel Project  
<http://www.theisraelproject.org/>

Some local US News companies are reporting stories as well.

*All info from this short article found from the sources listed above.*

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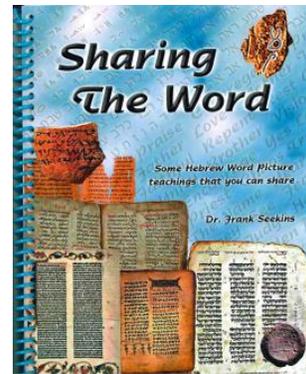
For a PDF version of this report click [here](#).

## Recommended Products

### Sharing the word

Book & CD

If the Holy Spirit has been piquing your interest in Hebrew Roots and the Hebrew Language, then I suggest Living Word Pictures. In particular, I recommend the Sharing the Word for everyone, especially Pastors, because it comes with a power point presentation tool for illuminating the richness of God's Word in your places of worship. I like Dr. Frank Seekins' body of work so much that we've agreed to sell them direct



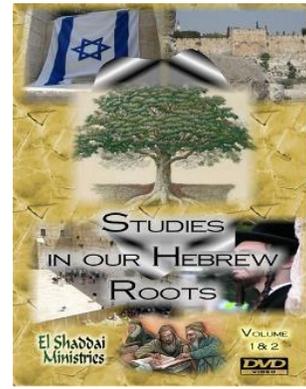
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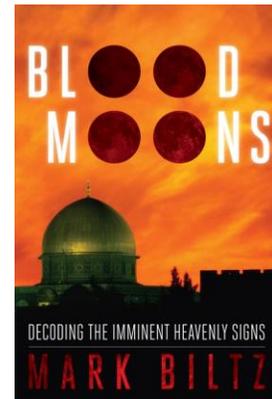
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## Recipes

### Yummy Honey Chicken Kabobs

PREP 15 mins  
COOK 15 mins  
READY IN 2 hrs 30 mins

#### Ingredients:

Original recipe makes 12 servings

- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1/3 cup soy sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper



- 8 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves - cut into 1 inch cubes
- 2 cloves garlic
- 5 small onions, cut into 2 inch pieces
- 2 red bell peppers, cut into 2 inch pieces
- Skewers

**Directions:**

1. In a large bowl, whisk together oil, honey, soy sauce, and pepper. Before adding chicken, reserve a small amount of marinade to brush onto kabobs while cooking. Place the chicken, garlic, onions and peppers in the bowl, and marinate in the refrigerator at least 2 hours (the longer the better).
2. Preheat the grill for high heat.
3. Drain marinade from the chicken and vegetables, and discard marinade. Thread chicken and vegetables alternately onto the skewers.
4. Lightly oil the grill grate. Place the skewers on the grill. Cook for 12 to 15 minutes, until chicken juices run clear. Turn and brush with reserved marinade frequently.

Find it here:

**Roasted New Red Potatoes**

**Ingredients:**

Original recipe makes 8 servings

- 3 pounds small red new potatoes, halved
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 teaspoon Salt and freshly ground black pepper



**Directions:**

1. Adjust oven rack to lowest position and heat oven to 450 degrees. Toss potatoes with oil, salt and pepper. Arrange, cut side down, on a large lipped cookie sheet or jellyroll pan.
2. Roast until tender and golden brown, about 30 minutes (check after 20 minutes). Transfer to a serving dish.

Find it Here:

**Refreshing Watermelon Salad from Athenos**

PREP 10 mins  
READY IN 10 mins

**Ingredients:**



Original recipe makes 4 servings

- 3 cups chopped watermelon (3/4-inch chunks)
- 1 cup chopped cucumber (1/4-inch chunks)
- 1/2 cup ATHENOS Traditional Crumbled Feta Cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinaigrette dressing

**Directions:**

1 Combine ingredients

[Find it Here:](#)

**Rhubarb Strawberry Crunch**

PREP 15 mins  
COOK 45 mins  
READY IN 1 hr



**Ingredients:**

Original recipe makes 18 servings

- 1 cup white sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3 cups sliced fresh strawberries
- 3 cups diced rhubarb
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup rolled oats

**Directions:**

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).
2. In a large bowl, mix white sugar, 3 tablespoons flour, strawberries, and rhubarb. Place the mixture in a 9x13 inch baking dish.
3. Mix 1 1/2 cups flour, brown sugar, butter, and oats until crumbly. You may want to use a pastry blender for this. Crumble on top of the rhubarb and strawberry mixture.
4. Bake 45 minutes in the preheated oven, or until crisp and lightly browned.

[Find it Here:](#)

## Tammuz-Av

### [3 Tammuz]

- Yehoshua "commanded" the Sun and the Moon to stand still.
- Rabbi Menashe b. Yisrael petitioned for permission to practice Judaism in England. Permission was granted by the Council of State, 1656.
- 1500 Jews of Kovno and 11,000 Jews in Kishinev were killed, 1941.
- Emperor Alexander II of Russia gave the Jews permission to print Jewish books, 1871.

### [4 Tammuz]

- 40 Jews killed on charges of ritual murder, 1286.
- 1000 Jews in Poland tortured and killed by Cossacks, 1648.
- Jerusalem bombed for the first time in its history, 1948.

### [5 Tammuz]

- Yechezkeil's first prophecy, 502b.c.e.
- Memorial fast day for approx. 50,000 Ukrainian Jews killed in 1768.

### [6 Tammuz]

- Crusaders massacred Jews of Mehr, 1096.
- 24 wagonloads of Sifrei Kodesh burned in Paris, 1242.
- Hebrew date of the raid at Entebbe.

### [7 Tammuz]

- Ukrainian rioter kill many Jews, 1919.
- Hundreds of Jews of Yurburg, Lithuania executed by the Nazis, 1941.

### [8 Tammuz]

- Jews expelled from Genoa, 1567.
- Queen-Mother of Spain abolished the Inquisition, 1834.
- Pogrom in Bialystok, 1903.

### [9 Tammuz]

- Nevuchadnezer's army breached the walls of Jerusalem, 586bce.
- Pompey captured Jerusalem and killed 12,000 Jews, 63bce.
- Anti-Jewish riots in Austria, 1230.

### [10 Tammuz]

- Tzidkiyahu HaMelech was captured by the Babylonians, 586bce.

- 12 Jews of Cologne were martyred, 1266.
- Fast observed by the Jewish community of Frankfort on the Maine to mark the escape of the Jewish quarter from a major fire, 1720.

[11 Tammuz]

- Purim of Tammuz for Jews of Algiers to mark their escape from attack by the Spanish army, 1774.

[12 Tammuz]

- Massacre of the Jews of Weiner-Neustadt, Austria, 1298.
- Jews denounced to the Inquisition received the right to face their accusers, 1298. This had not always been so. It is an issue in many episodes of Jewish and World history, ranging from the Roman Coliseum through European dictatorships to the McCarthy senate hearings.
- Nazis executed 5000 Jews in the fortress of Kovno, 1941.

[13 Tammuz]

- First printed edition of Sefer HaChinuch, 1523. It still makes the great Bar Mitzva gift 477 years later.
- The Jew badge was decreed for all Jews in the Baltic States, 1941.
- Minsk (Russia) was captured by the Germans, 1942 trapping about 40,000 Jews in the city.

[14 Tammuz]

- 250 Jews were killed in Rothenburg, Germany, 1298.
- 30 Jews of Schaffhausen (Switzerland) were burned at the stake on ritual murder charges, 1401.

[15 Tammuz]

- Chur, son of Miriam was killed attempting to dissuade the people from demanding the golden calf. As such he is the first Jew to die "Al Kiddush HaShem", in defense of his faith.
- Druse Arabs attacked the Jews of Tzfat, 1838.

[16 Tammuz]

- The golden calf emerged from the fire into which gold of Bnei Yisrael was thrown.
- Pope confiscated all manuscripts of the Talmud, 1239.

[17 Tammuz]

- Fast day and beginning of the Three Weeks.
- The first Luchot were broken.
- King Menashe placed an idol in the Beit HaMikdash.
- The Korban Tamid was discontinued in the second Beit HaMikdash.
- 4000 Jews were killed in Toledo, Spain, 1391. The riots spread to many other Spanish Jewish communities bringing

death and poverty in its wake.

- The destruction of Spanish Jewry began on the 17th of Tammuz and was completed (so to speak) 101 years later on Tish'a b'Av.
- The American colonies declared their independence, 1776.
- 4000 Jews of the ghetto in Bialystok were shot, 1941.

[18 Tammuz]

- Moshe Rabeinu destroyed the Golden Calf
- Louis IX decreed that all Jews must wear the distinctive yellow badge, known as the badge of shame.
- Massacre of the Jewish community of Mergentheim, Austria, 1298.
- Purim of Candia (Crete), from 1583.

[19 Tammuz]

- Moshe ascended Har Sinai a second time.
- The first 14 members of BILU reached Yafo, 1882.
- 6000 Lithuanian Jews were killed in Vizsalsyan camp - 1941.

[20 Tammuz]

- Jews of Telz, including the heads of the yeshiva, were killed by the Nazis, 1941.
- Nazis destroyed the Kovno ghetto, 1944.
- Knesset bill, 1950, granting every Jew the absolute right to settle in Israel.

[21 Tammuz]

- Jews were barred from settling in Brazil, 1567.
- Don Lope de Vera y Alarcon HY"D, Spanish nobleman, convert to Judaism, known as Judah the Believer, was killed by the Inquisition, 1644. The Inquisition "stayed in business" for 182 more years - to the day -executing its last victim in 1826.
- Bendin (Poland) ghetto uprising, 1942.

[22 Tammuz]

- Marranos were permitted to leave Portugal, 1557.

[23 Tammuz]

- Crusaders captured Jerusalem, 1099.
- Chmielnicki hordes attack Vilna, 1655, killing many Jews.

[24 Tammuz]

- Crusaders gathered the Jews of Jerusalem into a shul and set it aflame, 1099. All perished in the fire. Jews were barred from the city for the following 88 years.

[25 Tammuz]

- Jews of Lithuania received a Charter of Privilege, 1388.
- Anti-Jewish rioters attacked the funeral procession of Rabbi Yaakov Joseph in New York City, 1902.

[26 Tammuz]

- Jews of Upina, Lithuania were executed by the Nazis, 1941.

[27 Tammuz]

- Pope Innocent III promulgated a Church doctrine that the Jews were doomed to perpetual servitude and subjugation because they had killed Jesus, 1205. (The charge of deicide against the Jews was not officially removed from Church doctrine until 1963. There are still many Christians who believe in the guilt of the Jews, and many who act upon that belief.)
- The third expulsion of the Jews of France, 1322.
- A Jew and the Russian naval officer who converted to Judaism, having been influenced and/or taught by that Jew, were both burned at the stake in St. Petersburg, 1738.
- Jews of Holstein, Germany were granted equality, 1893.

[28 Tammuz]

- 41 Jews were burned at the stake in Breslau, 1453. the rest of the Jews were expelled.
- Jews of Brussels were ordered expelled, 1716.
- Jews of Hebron were attacked by Arabs, 1835.
- 5000 Jews of Rovno, Polish Ukraine, were killed by the Nazis, 1942.

[29 Tammuz]

- The entire male Jewish population of Grodz, Lithuania was killed by the Nazis, 1941

[1 Av]

- Peaks of the tallest mountains emerged above the receding waters of the Flood
- Yahrzeit of Aharon HaKohen.
- Yahrzeit of Elazar b. Aharon HaKohen.
- Ezra and his followers arrived in Yerushalayim, 457bce.
- Armed revolt at Treblinka, 1943. One of several similar outbreaks that were encouraged by the changing tide of the war against Germany.
- The Exodus bearing illegal immigrants was seized by the British, 1947. The Exodus 1947 carried 4000 Jews. Its stirring defiance of the British navy and its ultimate forced return to Germany, was one of the most dramatic and heroic episodes of post-war Jewish history.

[2 Av]

- Titus commenced battering the walls of the courtyard of the Beit HaMikdash, 70ce.
- The Inquisition was established in Rome by Pope Clement IV, 1267.
- Pope Gregory X banned blood-ritual charges against the Jews, 1274. This was neither the first nor the last time a pope tried to ban charges of ritual murder against the Jews. None were very successful.
- Last execution of the Inquisition in Peru took place in 1806.
- French police rounded up 30,000 Jews (including 4500 children) for deportation, 1942. Only 30 adults are known to have survived the round up.

[3 Av]

- 10,000 Jews of Polannoe perished in the Chmielnicki massacres, 1648.
- Beginning of the mass immigration of Russian Jews to the United States after the pogroms of 1881.

[4 Av]

- Nechemia began to build a wall around Yerushalayim, 444bce.
- Rashba proclaimed a ban on the study of metaphysics and philosophy by students under 30, 1305. The Cheirem was both famous and controversial.
- Lublin concentration camp liberated by the Russian army, 1944.

This Day in Jewish History found at [OU](#).

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