

Instructor Name: Rabbi Eric David Lakatos

Date: Jan. 27 - Apr 28, 2019

Course Name: **THEMISHKAN/TABERNACLE (Its Structure, Sacred Vessels, Garments & Sacrifices)**

Spring Semester 2019

A. Class Objectives: By the end of this class you should have:

1. A renewed understanding, and appreciation of the Tabernacle of Moses, what it is and how it is foundational towards the theological concept of Vicarious Atonement progressively revealed throughout the rest of Scripture.
2. A unique grasp of Jewish/Rabbinical perspectives of the Mishkan, the vessels, garments, and furniture prescribed by Divine Command within the Torah.
3. An ability to properly distinguish between the various kinds of sacrifices, their purposes and their differences, what they atoned for and what they did NOT atone for; as well as the ability to apply the prophetic symbolism of the rituals therein in relationship to what they point to, namely the Messiah and the Brit Chadasha (New Covenant); without contradiction; (i.e. "pitting the Brit Chadasha 'against' the Torah, as in Matt. 5:17).
4. Skills to continue a life-long study and an appreciation of the entire revelation of Scripture without bias and faulty theologies; always allowing the Scripture to interpret itself.

B. Class Sessions:

Jan 27 – Class 1

Feb 3 - Class 2

Feb 10 - Class 3

Feb 17- Class 4

Feb 24 - Class 5

Mar 3 - Class 6

Mar 10 - Class 7

Mar 17 - Class 8

Mar 24 - Class 9

Mar 31 - Class 10

Apr 7 - Class 11

Apr 14 - Class 12

No Class: April 21 – Easter Sunday

Apr 28 –Final Exam / Class 13

C. Textbooks:

(1) Lancaster, Thomas D. (2011). What about the Sacrifices? Marshfield: FFOZ First Fruits of Zion <https://ffoz.com/what-about-the-sacrifices-book.html> (2) Messianic Jewish Family Bible Society. (2013). The Holy Scriptures, Tree of Life Messianic Version. Syracuse: Messianic Jewish Family Bible Society.

Rabbi Eric David Lakatos is committed to Jewish revival in Messiah Yeshua in Cleveland and Northeast Ohio. Rabbi Eric is ordained by the International Alliance of Messianic Congregations & Synagogues (I.A.M.C.S); of which he is a current-member of the Steering Committee; and he is the Senior Rabbi of Tikvat Yisrael Messianic Jewish Synagogue in Lyndhurst since 2008. He and his wife Gisela have 5 children and reside in Solon, Ohio. Rabbi Eric is a Past-**Treasurer** of the Messianic Jewish Alliance of America (MJAA), the largest organization of Messianic Jews in the world. After taking the pulpit at Tikvat Yisrael, Rabbi Eric founded “Light to the Nations”, a teaching ministry to believers on the Jewish roots of their faith, speaking at conferences and hosting tours to Israel. Rabbi Eric also founded the Cleveland Joseph Project at Tikvat Yisrael which is a ministry that provides humanitarian aid to the needy in the local Jewish community here in Cleveland benefitting Jewish agencies such as the JFSA Kosher Food Pantry and many others. He also produces a Messianic internet podcast which is available free on the iTunes store.

Prior to his rabbinical career and his faith, Rabbi Eric was born and raised in a secular home in Toledo, Ohio. While the family did not discuss their Jewish background, Eric grew up hearing stories from his grandmother, Lucille (Forman) Lakatos, about his Jewish heritage. As Rabbi Eric shares: *“Lakatos is a Hungarian ethnic name and it means, “locksmith”. My grandfather was born in Budapest. Our Jewish lineage was kept mostly quiet growing up, that is until I came to believe in Yeshua, and then my Jewish heritage took on a whole new meaning for me and my family.”* At age 18, Eric was first introduced to the Good News of the Messiah, Jesus and received his faith in Him. Afterwards, he began his biblical studies at Southwestern AG University, and the IAMCS Yeshiva, he also carries a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. In 1997, he became the rabbi of Adat Adonai Messianic Jewish Synagogue in Toledo, Ohio, and was licensed by the International Alliance of Messianic Congregations and Synagogues (IAMCS) and served there for 5 years. He later relocated to Cincinnati, and attended Beth Messiah Messianic Synagogue, and studied under Rabbi Michael Wolf who himself was a disciple of Martin Chernoff, who is considered a Pioneer and founder of Beth Messiah and of the modern Messianic Jewish Movement in America.

For more information about Tikvat Yisrael Messianic Synagogue, and Messianic Judaism, please visit the following website resources:

Tikvat Yisrael Messianic Synagogue: www.tikvatcleveland.com

Messianic Jewish Alliance of America: www.mjaa.org

International Alliance of Messianic Congregations & Synagogues: www.iamcs.org

Cleveland Joseph Project www.clevelandjosephproject.org

podcast: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/it-is-time/id730568612?mt=2>