

שבת שלום! Shabbat Shalom! שבת שלום!

Welcome To **Congregation Sar Shalom!**

"And His name shall be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace (Sar Shalom)."

Isaiah 9:6

Sermon Slides/Notes

4/14/06 Passover/Good Friday Service

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Purpose of Pesach: Remember

God heard our cries while enslaved in Egypt and He redeemed us. God used Moses, as well as a perfect *lamb* (among other things), to accomplish this.

After giving himself over to die as our ultimate Passover sacrifice, the *Lamb* of God, Yeshua (Jesus) the Messiah, <u>rose</u> on the third day, showing God's victory over sin and death.

Just as we must remember our deliverance from Egypt, we must also remember the Messiah's sacrifice, and *our* lives must be changed as a result. Our "Actions" must demonstrate that we truly "remember" what God has done for Israel and all mankind.

4 Actions Required for Believers

- (Build) Relationship with God
- Obey God/ Listen to God
- Stand together
- Experience joy

1st Action: Build Relationship

(Build) Relationship with God

 Read & Study Scripture Regularly
 Pray regularly
 Committed Attendance (e.g. Shabbat)

(See Scripture Ref.: Acts 2:42)

2nd Action: Obey God

O bey God/ Listen to God

 – Even if it makes us feel different or ostracized

-Especially when it's difficult

3rd Action: Stand Together

Stand together as a community

 Encouragement
 Accountability

Community of faith has always been a key building block to ensure faithfulness to God.

God desires us to stand together.

4th Action: Experience Joy

• Experience joy

- Joy is not dependent on circumstances, but rather is often *in spite of* these circumstances
- <u>Experiencing</u> joy is an "Action" because we must *choose* to seek God and *choose* to obey and *actively* stay in community. The *result* of these actions is Joy.

4 <u>Results</u> of Living as a Believer

- Relationship with God
- Freedom
- Community
- Joy, purpose and peace

Correlation of Actions/Results

4 Actions

(Build) Relationship with God Obey God/ Listen to God Stand together Experience joy

4 Results

Relationship with God Freedom (from sin life) Community

Joy, purpose & peace

Sar Shalom Mission Statement

We exist to foster and encourage an **ongoing**, **living relationship** with God through Yeshua (Jesus) the Messiah.

We will practice and **celebrate Jewish life**, with a goal of **lifting the name of Messiah Yeshua** above all other names.

We will reach out to the surrounding community, such that **lives will be touched by God's love** and many will come to salvation through belief in Yeshua.