# Calendar Reflection & Study Notes



# 4.2 The Jewish Lifecycle

#### <u>Purpose</u>

To give an overview of the main events in a Jewish person's life - birth to death.

#### **Scriptures**

Exodus 20, Deuteronomy 30:19-20, Leviticus 18:5 - Life in Judaism John 10:10, Colossians 1:16, Revelation 22:13 – Messiah Yeshua embodies life

# **Bible Study Reflection Questions**

- 1) What are some of the important milestones in a Jewish person's life?
- 2) Why is community important in the life of a Jewish person? In what ways is this expressed?
- 3) What are some of the characteristics of God present in the Jewish lifecycle events?
- How is God a God of life? How do the ten commandments emphasise life? (Exodus 20).
- 5) How does Yeshua Himself exemplify life? (John 14:6, 17:17).
- 6) Think about each lifecycle event mentioned in the video. What could be one effective way to reach out to a Jewish person in each occasion. Would this be in word or in deed or in both?
- 7) How can you encourage your Jewish friend to read the Tanakh (the thick part that comes first in the Bible!) especially at these life cycle events? How can you connect these events with the life of Yeshua?

# Theology Touchpoints

Theology of the 10 Commandments; A Jewish View <u>here</u> Pikuach Nefesh, An Explanation <u>here</u> The Mourner's Kaddish <u>here</u>. Theological Reflections <u>here</u> What Jews Believe About the Afterlife <u>here</u> Yeshua is Life <u>here</u>

# Prayer points

<u>Thank</u> God that He is sovereign. He knows everyone on the Earth and all that is going on in people's lives (<u>Isaiah 46:10</u>).

<u>Prav</u> for people to appreciate more deeply that it is God who gives us the grace to exist and celebrate life with one another (<u>Ecclesiastes 3:11</u>).

<u>Intercede</u> for the Jewish people – that they may know that in Yeshua, they can be made complete. He is the Perfect One, the True Bridegroom, the Way, and the Great Judge and King. Knowing Him can truly provide shalom throughout the ups and downs of life.

God desires to be involved in even the small details of a person's life. The is true of the big events too such as getting married or having children. The lifecycle events of a Jewish family are very special. Knowing about them and connecting in meaningful and genuine ways will go a long way in showing your Jewish friend the love of Yeshua.

Your Notes

We recommend that you view the Care section of videos first and then watch all of the videos before you engage Jewish people with the Gospel.

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