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lessons for Christians from our Jewish brethren:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mFseYlpmaG8&list=RDs7BB6kArmoI&index=4

from ROSH HASHANAH - "Head of The Year" - to YOM KIPPUR - "Day of Atonement" - 5782 (sundown, 9/06/2021 to 9/15/2021 AD) https://www.hebcal.com/holidays/rosh-hashana-2021 ROSH HASHANAH

Head of the Year, 5782 (begins sundown, Mon, 9/06/2021 AD) LEVITICUS 23:24

Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.

YOM KIPPUR

Day of Atonement, 5782 (ends sundown, Wednesday, 9/15/2021 AD) LEVITICUS 23:27-28

27 Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto The LORD.

28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before The LORD your GOD.

On ROSH HASHANAH, GOD calls us to blow the SHOFAR of our souls to Him, the ram's horn He has implanted into the hearts of all men, in a Divine Call to Repentance at the start of a new year.

In the Biblical Tradition of TASHLIKH - the casting away - the faithful gather near a body of water to empty out from even the corners of one's clothing offenses against GOD's Law:

https://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/564247/jewish/Whatis-

<u>Tashlich.htm? cf chl captcha tk =pmd U6 KF1mSbFqAHM9FXiHp5vkI 1..lOyDSgnS6KjuWrWA-1631065695-0-gqNtZGzNAzujcnBszQi9</u>
NEHEMIAH 8:1

And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring The Book of The Law of Moses, which The LORD had commanded to Israel.

As our Jewish brethren approach the close of the Day of Atonement during the High Holy Days of YAMIM NORAIM - "Awe and Repentance" - one's sins are symbolically and spiritually cast away into the cleansing streams of The Almighty's flowing rivers of Divine Mercy, that men may be renewed towards The Likeness of GOD, even as He has made us in His Image.

The King of the Universe deems to record our names and the paths of our lives - earthly and eternal - in His Book of Life on ROSH HASHANAH. Through The Days of Awe & Repentance, ending on YOM KIPPUR, these paths can be changed for the better through TESHUVAH (humble repentance), TEFILAH (prayer) and TZEDAKAH (works of mercy & charity).

The Two Greatest Commandments:

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our GOD is One LORD:

5 And thou shalt love The LORD thy GOD with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

LEVITICUS 19:18

Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I AM The LORD.

If The Two Greatest Commandments of The Law of Moses sound familiar to Christians, they indeed should! Our MESSIAH JESUS CHRIST Himself repeats them, as He calls us to repentance and holiness:

MATTHEW 22:34-40

- 34 But when the Pharisees had heard that He had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.
- 35 Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked Him a question, tempting Him, and saying,
- 36 Master, which is The Great Commandment in The Law?
- 37 JESUS said unto him, Thou shalt love The LORD thy GOD with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
- 38 This is The First and Great Commandment.
- 39 And The Second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
- 40 On These Two Commandments hang all The Law and the prophets.

Our Saviour has not, as He says, come to abolish The Law, but to fulfill it, and truly inscribe it - not only on our wrists and between our foreheads, not only upon our gates and doorposts - but in the deepest places of our hearts, souls and minds:

MATTHEW 5:17-20

- 17 Think not that I am come to destroy The Law, or the prophets: I AM not come to destroy, but to fulfil.
- 18 For verily I say unto you, Till Heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from The Law, till all be fulfilled.
- 19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of These least Commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in The Kingdom of Heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in The Kingdom of Heaven.

20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into The Kingdom of Heaven.

GOD The Father, in The Blood of our Savior JESUS CHRIST and then through The HOLY SPIRIT, bestow the marks of a converted heart: they remain TESHUVAH (humble repentance), TEFILAH (prayer) and TZEDAKAH (works of mercy & charity).

No, Good Works - in and of themselves - do not redeem our lives, loved ones, countries and especially our souls back to GOD. Rather, the soul that glories in The Lord brings forth proofs of YAMIM NORAIM - Days of Awe and Repentance - every day, as Saint Paul records:

EPHESIANS 2:8-10

- 8 For by Grace are ye saved through Faith; and that not of yourselves: it is The Gift of GOD:
- 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.
- 10 For we are His workmanship, created in CHRIST JESUS unto good works, which GOD hath before ordained that we should walk in them. http://scborromeo.org/ccc/para/2447.htm

Who is The One, sent by The Father Above, Who laid down His Life for us, and took It up again, in The Power of The HOLY SPIRIT? It is He, The Way, The Truth and The Life:

JOHN 14:1-6

- 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in GOD, believe also in Me.
- 2 In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I AM, there ye may be also.
- 4 And whither I go ye know, and The Way ye know.
- 5 Thomas saith unto Him, Lord, we know not whither Thou goest; and how can we know The Way?
- 6 JESUS saith unto Him, I AM The Way, The Truth, and The Life: no man cometh unto The Father, but by Me.



Let us remember Saint Faustina, the Catholic "Apostle of Divine Mercy," to whom our Redeemer revealed Himself in red and white - blood and water, Redemption and Baptism - Who is GOD's Light of The World.

He Who shed His Precious Blood for us at Calvary and Rose from The Grave into Heaven for us consecrates our repentance, prayer and good works. JESUS CHRIST is our Eternally Living YOM KIPPUR Incarnate, so that we too may simply confess, https://divinemercy.org/new-divinemercy-explained.html

"JESUS, I trust in You!"