

ACTS 29
PAUL'S LATTER MINISTRIES AND
JOURNEY(S)

Part 9

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LAST TIME

WHAT HAS BEEN "MY" VIEW OF ACTS 28
MY MODEL

Salvation sent to gentiles AND the Mystery revealed Acts 28:28

ACTS always ministry as recorded by John



"Body of Christ" and "the church which is his body" the same

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ph. 3 and
Acts
28-28

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1 } Two ministries and hopes

PRAGMATICS

- ^{KJV} **Luke 1:1** Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,
- ^{TBT} **Luke 1:1** Ἐπειδήπερ πολλοὶ ἐπεχείρησαν ἀνατάξασθαι διήγησιν περὶ τῶν πεπληροφορημένων ἐν ἡμῖν πραγμάτων,
- ^{KJV} **Luke 19:13** And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.¹
- ^{TBT} **Luke 19:13** καλέσας δὲ δέκα δούλους ἑαυτοῦ, ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς δέκα μνᾶς, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτούς, Πραγματεύσασθε ἕως ἔρχομαι.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD (EXCLUDING ACTS 1:6, “KINGDOM TO ISRAEL”)

- KJV Acts 1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the **kingdom of God**:
- KJV Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the **kingdom of God**, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.
- KJV Acts 14:22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, *and* exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the **kingdom of God**.
- KJV Acts 19:8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the **kingdom of God**.
- KJV Acts 20:25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the **kingdom of God**, shall see my face no more.
- KJV Acts 28:23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into *his* lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the **kingdom of God**, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and *out of* the prophets, from morning till evening.
- KJV Acts 28:31 Preaching the **kingdom of God**, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

KINGDOM OF
GOD

^{KJV} **Colossians 4:11** And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only *are my* fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.

^{TBT} **Colossians 4:11** καὶ Ἰησοῦς ὁ λεγόμενος Ἰουῆστος, οἱ ὄντες ἐκ περιτομῆς· οὗτοι μόνοι συνεργοὶ εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, οἵτινες ἐγενήθησάν μοι παρηγορία.

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ACTS 28:31

- ^{KJV} **Acts 20:25** And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone **preaching the kingdom of God**, shall see my face no more.
- ^{TBT} **Acts 20:25** καὶ νῦν ἰδοὺ, ἐγὼ οἶδα ὅτι οὐκέτι ὄψεσθε τὸ πρόσωπόν μου ὑμεῖς πάντες, ἐν οἷς διήλθον **κηρύσσων τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ.**
- ^{KJV} Acts 28:31 **Preaching the kingdom of God**, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.
- ^{TBT} **Acts 28:31** **κηρύσσων τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ**, καὶ διδάσκων τὰ περὶ τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, μετὰ πάσης παρρησίας, ἀκωλύτως. (Act 28:31 TBT)

ACTS 28 – LOOK AGAIN!

- vs23 They appointed him a day
- vs23 Law of Moses and prophets
- vs24 some believed some believed NO

• vs25 “dismissed” ἀπελύοντο

- vs25 One word ῥῆμα ἓν

• vs25 Well spoke

• vs26-27 Isa 6:9-10

• vs28 Salvation of God sent – they will hear

• vs29 These words ταῦτα

- vs29 the Jews departed ἀπέρχομαι

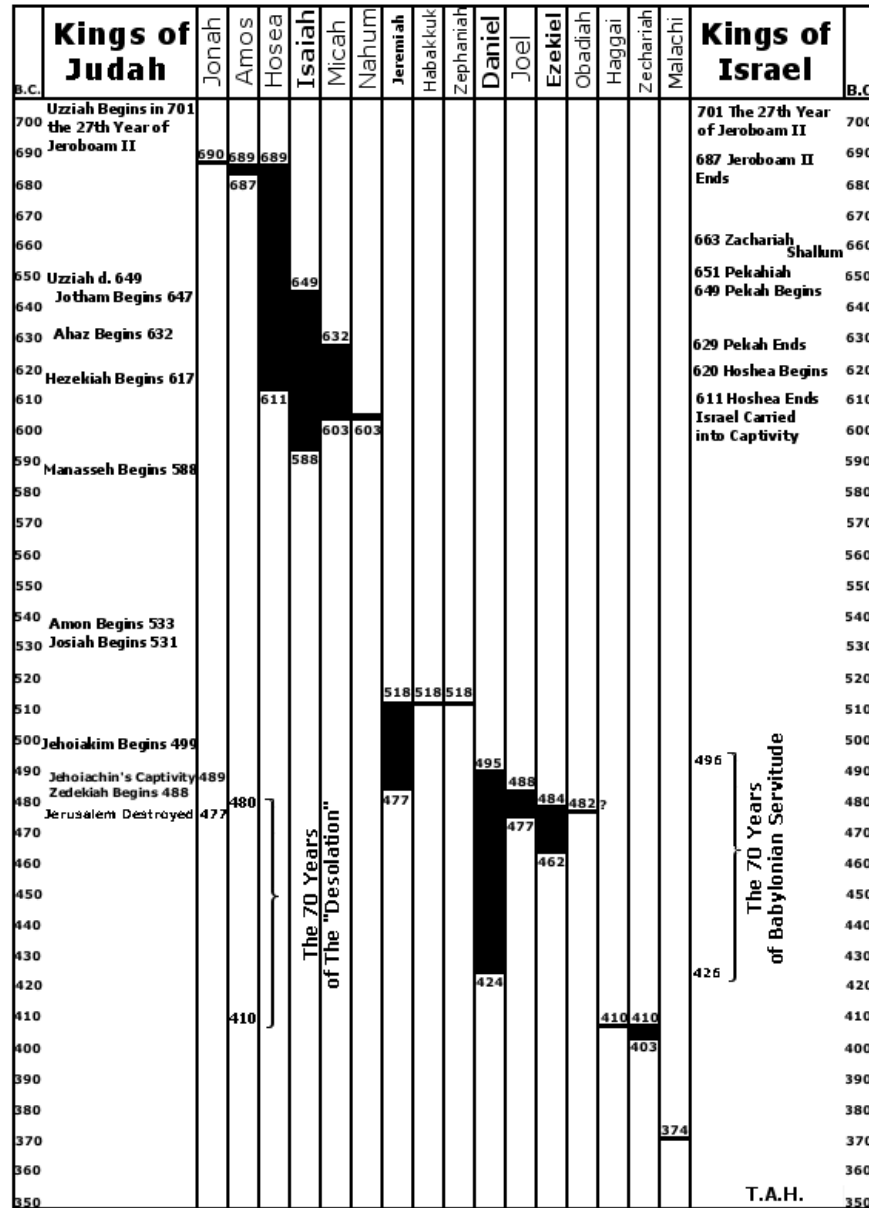
Compare:
Matt. 13:12-
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KJV Acts 28:28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that **they will hear it.**

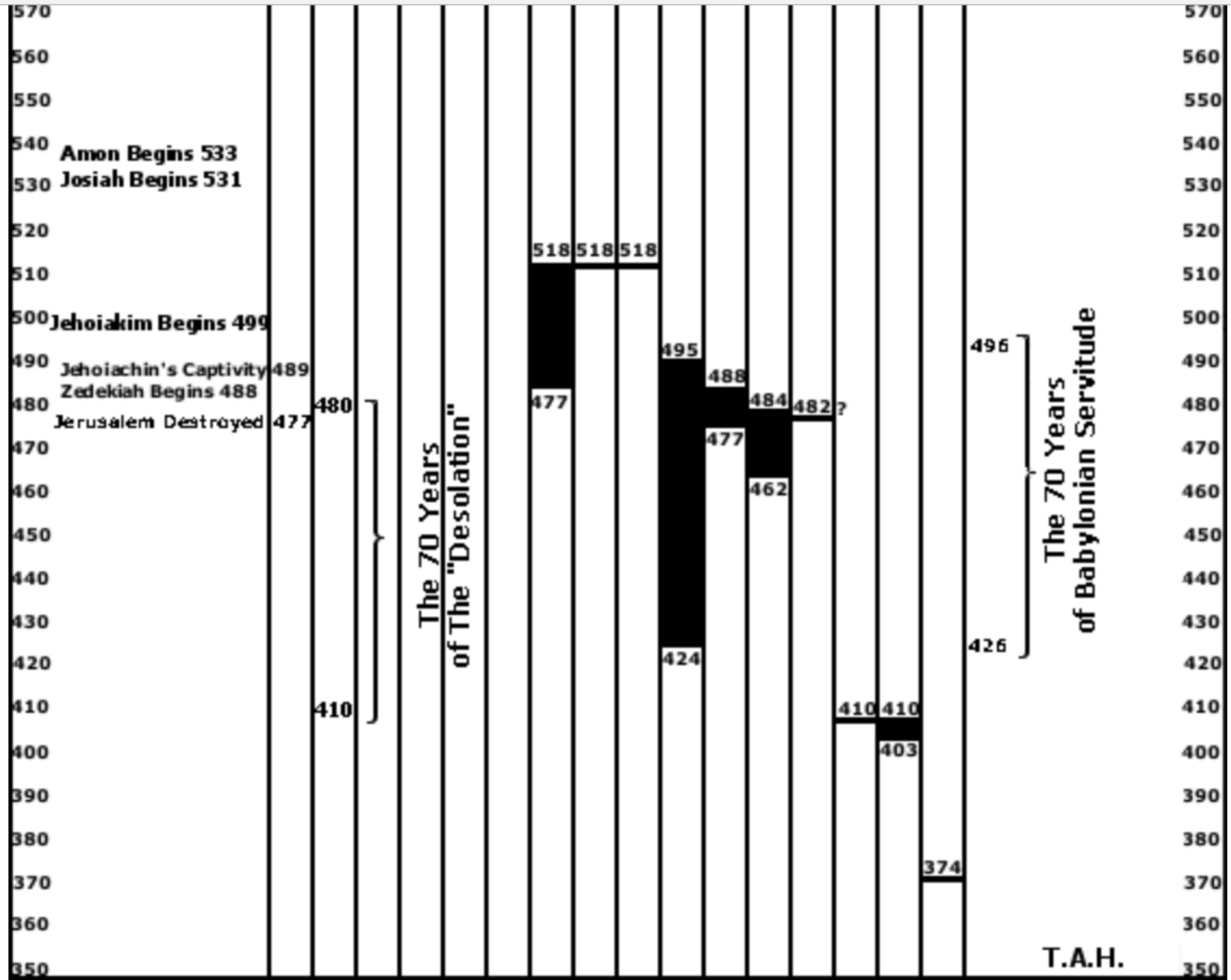
TBT Acts 28:28 γνωστὸν οὖν ἔστω ὑμῖν, ὅτι τοῖς ἔθνεσιν ἀπεστάλη τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ, αὐτοὶ καὶ **ἀκούσονται.**

Are they hearing “the Mystery”?
How about the Jewish Kingdom message?

TODAY



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GOOD SUMMARY OF EZEKIEL

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WHAT IS GOD'S GLORY DOING IN BABYLON?!

5 YEARS AFTER EXILE...

EZEKIEL

FIRST BABYLONIAN ATTACK ON JERUSALEM (SEE 2 KINGS 24:8-17)

BABYLON

EZEKIEL

"THE APPEARANCE OF THE LIKENESS OF THE ~~GLORY~~ OF THE LORD"
HEBREW: **MAVUD** - PHYSICAL MANIFESTATION OF GOD'S SIGNIFICANCE (SEE EXODUS 19:24, 25)

1-11 ACCUSATIONS AGAINST ISRAEL

SON OF MAN! ACCUSE ISRAEL OF BREAKING THE COVENANT AND WARN THEM OF IMMINENT DESTRUCTION.

EZEKIEL COMMISSIONED

• WORSHIP OF OTHER GODS
• SOCIAL INJUSTICE

8-11 THE TEMPLE VISION

4-5 EZEKIEL'S SIGN ACTS

EZEKIEL THE SCAPGARD, BEARING ISRAEL'S SINS

STAGING THE JERUSALEM SIEGE

CHOPPING HIS HAIR

BAD NEWS: NO ONE'S GOING TO LISTEN. (RECALL DEUTERONOMY ch.30)

ISRAEL'S HARD HEART

ISRAEL'S IDOLATRY HAS DRIVEN GOD AWAY...
...BUT HE HASN'T ABANDONED HIS PEOPLE.
A REMNANT WILL RETURN WITH NEW, TRANSFORMED HEARTS.

ISRAEL'S NEW HEART

12-24 JUDGMENT ON ISRAEL

USE OF PARABLE & ALLEGORY

15 A WASTEFUL STATE

16 A REBELLIOUS NATION

19 A DANGEROUS LION

23 THE PUNISHING SISTERS

EZEKIEL AS LAWYER 14,18,20

GOD, HAVE MERCY! TOO LATE!

NOAH, DANIEL, & JOB

ISRAEL'S JUDGMENT IS DESERVED - GOD'S GOODNESS DEMANDS HE BRING JUSTICE

THEY'VE REACHED A POINT OF NO RETURN

25-32 JUDGMENT ON THE NATIONS

PHILISTIA AMMON MOAB EDOM

EGYPT

TYRE

VIEWING THEMSELVES AS GODS

BABYLON'S COMING FOR YOU TOO!

ALL BROUGHT DOWN BY BABYLON...

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JERUSALEM HAS FALLEN!

34-37 HOPE FOR ISRAEL

MESSIANIC KING

35 A NEW DAVID

GOD'S SPIRIT

AN IMAGE OF ISRAEL'S SPIRITUAL STATE: EXILE & DEATH

36 A NEW ISRAEL WITH A NEW HEART

37 VALLEY OF DRY BONES

RECALLS GENESIS 2: "XX" HUMANS = NIHT + NIVINE BREATH THE ONLY HOPE IS FOR GOD TO REMAKE HUMANS TO LOVE GOD & OTHERS

38-39 HOPE FOR THE NATIONS

GOD DEFEATS EVIL AMONG THE NATIONS

GOG

ANCIENT KINGDOM FROM GENESIS 10

DESCRIPTION OF GOG - DESCRIPTION OF KINGS OF TYRE & EGYPT

ARCHETYPE OF HUMAN REBELLION

THESE SCENES ARE FULL OF SYMBOLS & IMAGERY ABOUT GOD'S FINAL DEFEAT OF EVIL

EARTHQUAKE

40-48 HOPE FOR ALL CREATION

10-16 VISION OF A NEW TEMPLE

THE MEANING OF THE VISIONS?

1) LITERAL BLUEPRINTS OF NEW TEMPLE IN THE FUTURE MESSIANIC KINGDOM.

2) SYMBOLIC DEPICTION OF GOD'S PRESENCE WITH HIS PEOPLE IN THE MESSIANIC KINGDOM.

DEAD SEA VALLEY

17-10 NEW GARDEN OF EDEN - THE LORD IS THERE

CREATING "MY" VIEW OF ACTS 28 A WORK IN PROGRESS!



Salvation sent to the gentiles
Acts 28:28

...and burned up their city. ...καὶ τὴν πόλιν αὐτῶν ἐνέπρησε. (Matt. 22:7 TBT)
Titus: AD 70?

Mystery Revealed
HERE!!
Later imprisonment

pragma of the apostles right to the end of Acts and possibly beyond

Pregnant Period

Two ministries and hopes

ἀπέστειλε...
τοὺς
κεκλημένους

πάλιν ἀπέστειλεν ἄλλους
δούλους

ACTS
28
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Paul Continues with
New Jerusalem hope!



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Highways

Acts 28:28-31.

Acts 29

Fellowship
of the
mystery

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Ezekiel
Captive 1
Ezek 12:

Pregnant
Period

Ezekiel
Captive 2
Ezek 33:

SOME QUESTIONS

- How does Israel become L-ammi –does it happen all at once?
- What happens when Israel/Judah becomes Lo-ammi?
- Does the prophecy stop?
- Does God stop using Israel's prophets?

... οἱ δὲ κεκλημένοι οὐκ ἦσαν ἄξιοι. (Mat 22:8)

^{KJV} **Revelation 19:9** ^{TBT} And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

^{TBT} **Revelation 19:9** καὶ λέγει μοι, Γράψον, Μακάριοι οἱ εἰς τὸ δεῖπνον τοῦ γάμου τοῦ ἄρνιου κεκλημένοι. καὶ λέγει μοι, Οὗτοι οἱ λόγοι ἀληθινοί εἰσι τοῦ Θεοῦ.

EZEKIEL="GOD STRENGTHENS"

- Ezek. 12:2 (ACTS 28:23-28)
- Judgment – Now and in the immediate future and also distant future
- BUT
 - Promise of deliverance
 - Ezek 11:16-25
 - Ezek 34:11-31

PREPARED AND READY

- KJV Matthew 3:3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
- KJV Matthew 22:4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and *my fatlings are* killed, and all things *are* ready: come unto the marriage.
- KJV Matthew 22:8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.
- KJV Matthew 24:44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.
- KJV Matthew 25:10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.
- KJV Matthew 26:17 Now the first *day* of the *feast of unleavened bread* the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?

AGAIN: HE SENT FORTH- ALL THINGS READY

- ^{KJV} **Matthew 22:4** Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and *my* fatlings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready: come unto the marriage.
- ^{TBT} **Matthew 22:4** πάλιν απέστειλεν ἄλλους δούλους, λέγων, Εἶπατε τοῖς κεκλημένοις, Ἴδού, τὸ ἄριστόν μου **ἡτοιμάσα**, οἱ ταῦροί μου καὶ τὰ σιτιστὰ τεθυμένα, καὶ πάντα **ἔτοιμα**. δεῦτε εἰς τοὺς γάμους.

RESPONSE TO THE SECOND INVITATION

- ^{KJV} **Matthew 22:5** But **they made light of it**, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:
- ^{TBT} **Matthew 22:5** οἱ δὲ **ἀμελήσαντες** ἀπῆλθον, ὁ μὲν εἰς τὸν ἴδιον ἀγρόν, ὁ δὲ εἰς τὴν ἐμπορίαν αὐτοῦ.

HOW WERE ALL THINGS MADE READY?

- ² For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;
- ³ How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;
- ⁴ God also bearing *them* witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?¹ (Heb 2:2-4 KJV)

ἀμελήσαντες

NEGLECT

- KJV Matthew 22:5 But **they made light of it**, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:
- KJV 1 Timothy 4:14 **Neglect not** the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.
- KJV Hebrews 2:3 How shall we escape, **if we neglect** so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;
- KJV Hebrews 8:9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, **and I regarded them not**, saith the Lord.
- KJV 2 Peter 1:12 Wherefore **I will not be negligent** to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know *them*, and be established in the present truth.

ἀμελέω, -ῶ; future ἀμελήσω; 1 aorist ἠμέλησα;
(from ἀμελής, and this from the alpha privative and
μέλω to care for);

WORTHY

- KJV Matthew 10:13 And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not **worthy**, let your peace return to you.
- TBT Matthew 10:13 καὶ ἐὰν μὲν ᾗ ἡ οἰκία ἀξία, ἐλθέτω ἡ εἰρήνη ὑμῶν ἐπ' αὐτήν· ἐὰν δὲ μὴ ᾗ **ἀξία**, ἡ εἰρήνη ὑμῶν πρὸς ὑμᾶς ἐπιστραφήτω.

WORTHY

- KJV **Matthew 10:38** And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not **worthy** of me.
- TBT **Matthew 10:38** καὶ ὃς οὐ λαμβάνει τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀκολουθεῖ ὀπίσω μου, οὐκ ἔστι μου **ἄξιος**.

WORTHY

- KJV **Matthew 22:8** Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not **worthy**.
- TBT **Matthew 22:8** τότε λέγει τοῖς δούλοις αὐτοῦ, Ὁ μὲν γάμος ἕτοιμός ἐστιν, οἱ δὲ κεκλημένοι οὐκ ἦσαν **ἄξιοι**.

WORTHY

- ^{KJV} **Acts 13:46** Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves **unworthy** of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.
- ^{TBT} **Acts 13:46** παρρησιασάμενοι δὲ ὁ Παῦλος καὶ ὁ Βαρνάβας εἶπον, Ὑμῖν ἦν ἀναγκαῖον πρῶτον λαληθῆναι τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ. ἐπειδὴ δὲ ἀπωθεῖσθε αὐτόν, καὶ **οὐκ ἀξίους** κρίνετε ἑαυτοὺς τῆς αἰωνίου ζωῆς, ἰδοὺ στρεφόμεθα εἰς τὰ ἔθνη.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE UNWORTHY/WORTHY?

- KJV Acts 26:31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man **doeth** nothing **worthy** of death or of bonds.
- TBT Acts 26:31 καὶ ἀναχωρήσαντες ἐλάλουν πρὸς ἀλλήλους, λέγοντες ὅτι Οὐδὲν θανάτου **ἄξιον** ἢ δεσμῶν **πράσσει** ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὗτος.