

Jewish History I

May 12th to 14th, 2023

Instructed by
Daniel Nessim



About the Instructor

Daniel Nessim is a British-Canadian Jewish Messianic Jew. Raised in a Hebrew Christian home, he holds a B.Th. from Northwest Baptist Bible College, an MA from Regent College, and a PhD from the University of Exeter. He is the author of *Derech Yeshua, Torah for Gentiles?* (based on his doctoral dissertation on the Didache), and the British Messianic Siddur: *Siddur Sar Shalom*. Currently, Daniel is the congregational leader of Kehilat Tsion, Vancouver's Messianic Jewish Synagogue. He is also the Northwest Regional Director for Chosen People Ministries and director of the Chosen People Bible Institute. Daniel and his wife Deborah live near Seattle, WA with their three parrots and five chickens.

Course Syllabus

Course Description

Did you ever wonder what the life and faith of the earliest disciples of Yeshua was really like? Have you ever wondered what happened to them? It used to be assumed that their community was destroyed some forty years after Yeshua's resurrection. It was supposed that Judaism and Christianity had parted and gone completely different ways by the time the hundred year mark was reached. This course will trace the origins of Messianic Judaism – the first “Christianity” – and its place within the Jewish world in the first centuries of this era. It will provide a window into the faith, life, and practices of the earliest Jewish followers of Yeshua.

What You Will Learn

By taking this course you will gain a new perspective on the development of what I like to call “Nascent Messianic Judaism” and its place within the Jewish world of its day. We will see where messianic hope originated. We will learn how the movement grew from a few skeptical witnesses to Yeshua's resurrection to a significant religious movement in Jerusalem. From there we will see how the movement spread to Syria and Egypt, putting down roots and establishing itself to survive the Jewish wars. By recounting the ancient historical record, we will see how the movement endured into the days of the Byzantine Roman empire. Not only that, but we will get a glimpse of their distinctive beliefs and practices, as well as their interaction with other Jews in Jewish society.

Application

This course will help us to understand how Yeshua's earliest followers understood Him and His message. It will help you to better understand Him and His message for today,

informing and enriching your faith and brining aspects of the Bible to life. In so doing, by knowing more about the Jewish Bible or Jewish history you may even become more effective in sharing the Good News of Yeshua with Jewish people.

Course Schedule

- Hour 1: Introduction and Notes on the Exile
- Hour 2: Ezra and the Reformation of Israel
- Hour 3: The Maccabees, the Romans, and the Wicked Priest
- Hour 4: Messianic Judaism Before Messiah
- Hour 5: Second Temple Judaism and the Zugot (Hillel and Shammai)
- Hour 6: Second Temple Judaism and the Shlichim
- Hour 7: The Days of Messiah
- Hour 9: Yeshua's Kingdom
- Hour 9: The First Messianic Jews
- Hour 10: Messianic Jews and the Torah
- Hour 11: Messianic Jews and the Gentiles
- Hour 12: Jerusalem, Pella, and the Hebrews

What You Will Need / Requirements for Credit

Reading

Goodman, Martin, A History of Judaism, pages i-221.

Grading

- 20% Attendance
- 20% Reading
- 20% 1-page book review (500 words)
- 40% 1000-word essay answering the question: “What did Yeshua change?” or a topic of your choice with instructor’s approval.



Registration Form

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Live Streamed to:

Beit Tefillah Sameach, 334 13 St. N. Lethbridge

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Mailing Address:

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Registration Form

Required Information

(Please Fill Out A New Form For Each Participant)

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL

Tuition:

Cash, cheque, credit card, payable to Beth Shechinah.

(Please do not send cash in the mail.)

Email transfers must be sent to:

donations@bethshechinah.com

with an accompanying e-mail giving your name and details.

Check one of the following selections:

1. Credit: **\$125. includes the course, the course manual, plus 1 MP3 audio CD of all the sessions. Optional: Thumb Drive \$10.

2. Audit: **\$80. includes the course, the course manual, plus 1 MP3 audio CD of all the sessions. Optional: Thumb Drive \$10.

3. Drop-in sessions: I will attend ____ sessions at ***\$30. per session, totalling \$_____ ***(course material is not included.)

Request to purchase the course manual and MP3 audio recording.

I did not attend the course and my price for the course manual, plus 1 MP3 audio CD of all the sessions is \$90. each.



The CMJI (Canadian Messianic Jewish Institute) is a pilot project of the CMJC (Council of Messianic Jewish Congregations) of Alberta. One of the greatest needs within the Messianic movement in Canada is to empower and equip the present and next generation of Messianic Believers for leadership. The vision of CMJI is to establish a reputable Messianic Yeshiva in Canada with the goal of offering high quality courses to the Messianic Community and to provide opportunity for Believers to be trained, equipped and qualified to give leadership in Messianic congregations.



Dates and Times:

Friday, May 12th, 2023

6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 13th, 2023

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 14th, 2023

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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Course Audio MP3s:

Past Courses Also Available

Non-attendees: \$90. for the course manual, plus 1 MP3 audio CD of all the sessions



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