

MESSIANIC HANUKKAH CANDLE LIGHTING SERVICE

SHAMASH (SERVANT) CANDLE

Messiah Yeshua stated in Mark 10:44-45:

“Whosoever wishes to be first among you shall be the servant of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

FIRST CANDLE

Exodus 13:21 and 22 tells us how the God of Israel led the Hebrew children through the wilderness for 40 years.

“And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them LIGHT; to go by day and night. He took not away the pillar of cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from the people.”

SECOND CANDLE

King David said in Psalm 18:28:

“Thou wilt LIGHT my candle, the Lord my God will enlighten my darkness.”

And later in Psalm 27:1 he declares:

“The Lord is my LIGHT and my Salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”

THIRD CANDLE

Isaiah the prophet speaks of Israel’s future glory in Isaiah 60: 1 & 3:

“Arise, shine; for thy LIGHT is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee, and the Gentiles shall come to thy LIGHT, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.”

FOURTH CANDLE

As Messiah Yeshua was in the Temple in Jerusalem watching the illuminating lights, he spoke these words in John 8:12:

I AM THE LIGHT of the world: He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the LIGHT of life.”

FIFTH CANDLE

Aged Simeon was promised by the Lord that he would not die until He saw Israel’s Messiah. When he saw the infant Yeshua in the Temple, he said in Luke 2:30-32:

“For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples, a LIGHT to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy People Israel.”

SIXTH CANDLE

In these Scriptures the LIGHT referred to is the WORD OF GOD. Psalm 119:105 & Psalm 130 say:

“Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a LIGHT unto my path.”

“The entrance of Thy Words gives LIGHT; it gives understanding unto the simple.”

SEVENTH CANDLE

King Messiah tells us in Matthew 5:14-16:

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid; neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house; let your LIGHT so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father Who is in heaven.”

EIGHTH CANDLE

Rev. 21:22-27 – A Description of the New Jerusalem:

“And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple in it; and the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God.”