



## Replacement Theology

- ALL churches teach replacement theology...some just more than others!
- Replacement theology (supersessionism) stems from a faulty eccleisology that contrasts the church with Israel.
- A careful study of the matter reveals that there is no "church" as we know it in the New Testament.
  - Jesus was Jewish
  - He did not come to start a new "faith system" or a "new religion"
  - Ekklesia/church is a community of Yeshua disciples within the Jewish people so here is where our problem starts
- Replacement theology is Anti-Semitic and harms our relationship with the Jewish people who we are called to make "jealous"...not do harm to them.

## Who is the "Bride of Christ"

- The Church thinks they are the bride
  - Ephesians 5:25-27 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;
- Israel thinks they are the bride
  - <u>Ezekiel 16:8</u> Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time [was] the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

• Who really is?

## Let's take a quiz (Consider past, present and future)

- Has the "evangelical church" replaced Israel as G-d's chosen people?
- Has Sunday replaced the Sabbath?
- Has the Lord's Supper replaced the celebration and remembrance of Passover?
- Has the body of Christ replaced the Temple?
- Has the Christian priesthood replaced the Aaronic priesthood?
- Has the death of Christ replaced the sacrifices?
- Has the promise of heaven replaced the Promised Land and the Messianic Kingdom?
- Has church/ecclesiastical authority replaced Jewish authority?
- Has Christian interpretation of the Bible replaced Jewish interpretation?
- When a Jew prays to receive their Messiah...are they no longer a practicing Jew?

## Must rid "the root" of replacement theology

- How to Dismantle it...
  - There is no "church" separate from the community of Yeshua disciples within the Jewish people
  - There is no new religion; Messianic Judaism for all nations will be the religion of the Messianic Kingdom