

MOSHIACH'S LETTER THROUGH THE SHLIACH SHA'UL TO THE BRIT CHADASHA KEHILLAH IN THESSALONIKA (II)

1 From Sha'ul and Silvanus (Sila) and Timotiyos. To the Kehillah of the inhabitants of the city of Thessalonika, the Kehillah in Hashem, in Elohim Avinu and Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach Yehoshua Adoneinu,
|2| Chen v'Chesed Hashem to you and Shalom from Elohim Avinu and Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach Yehoshua Adoneinu.
|3| With continuous hodayah (thanksgiving) we ought to make brachot to Hashem concerning you, Achim b'Moshiach, as is fitting, because your emunah is increasing abundantly and the ahavah (agape) every one of you has for the other is growing.
|4| Therefore, we ourselves glory in you in all the kehillot of Hashem for your zitzfleisch (patience) and emunah in all the redifot (persecutions) and the tzoros you are enduring.
|5| This is kluhr (obvious) that here is a manifest siman (sign, indication) of the yashar mishpat (righteous judgment) of Hashem intended for you to be deemed worthy of the Malchut Hashem, on behalf of which also you undergo [*Chevlei Moshiach*] yissurim.
|6| Indeed it is tzaddik (a thing examined and found to be right) for Hashem to repay with tzarah (tribulation) those who bring tzarah (tribulation) on you
|7| And to recompense you, the ones suffering tzarah (tribulation), with revachah (relief) along with us at the Apocalypse of [*Moshiach*] Yehoshua Adoneinu from Shomayim with the malachim of his oz (power)
|8| BELAHAVEI EISH ('in flaming fire' YESHAYAH 66:15), giving Onesh to the ones not knowing Hashem

and to the ones not obeying the Besuras HaGeulah of [*Moshiach*] Yehoshua Adoneinu.
|9| These are the ones who will pay an Onesh of Avaddon Olam (Eternal Destruction [*Gehinnom*]) away from the Shechinah of Hashem UMEHADAR GE'ONO ('and from the splendor of his majesty' YESHAYAH 2:19),
|10| When He comes to be glorified in His Kadoshim and to be marveled at in all the ma'aminim [*in Moshiach*] because our [*martyr's*] eidus (*T.N. The word can mean witness at kiddush ha-Shem*) to you was believed in YOM HAHU ('that Day' YESHAYAH 2:11).
|11| To this end also we make tefillos always concerning you that Eloheinu may count you worthy of the Kri'ah (Calling) and by His gevurah may fulfill every chafetz hatov (good desire) and ma'aseh haemunah (work of faith)
|12| In order that ha-Shem (the Name) of [*Moshiach*] Adoneinu Yehoshua may be glorified in you, and you, in him [*Moshiach*], according to the unmerited Chen v'Chesed of Eloheinu and Moshiach Yehoshua Adoneinu.

2 We ask you, Achim b'Moshiach, concerning the Bias HaMoshiach (the Arrival, Coming of Moshiach) Yehoshua Adoneinu and our being gathered together to him [*Moshiach*],
|2| that you not become too hastily disturbed from your spiritual composure nor frightened either by a ruach or by a dibur (saying, utterance) or by an iggeret (letter), as if

from us, saying that the YOM HASHEM (Day of the L-rd, AMOS 5:18) has come.
|3| Let no one in any way lead you astray, because, unless the Merid (Rebellion, Revolt, the [*Anti-Moshiach*] Shmad Betrayal Defection of Apostasy, the Azivah Abandonment) Desertion comes rishonah (first), and the Apocalypse of the Ish HaMufkarut (Man of Lawlessness), the Ish HaChatta'ah Ben HaAvaddon (Man of Sin, Son of Destruction Anti-Moshiach) is unveiled...
|4| I'm referring to the one setting himself against and exalting himself AL KOL EL (above every G-d, DANIEL 11:36), above all that is given the appellation 'G-d' or object of worship, with the result that in the Beis Hamikdash Heikhal he sits down on the MOSHAV ELOHIM (throne of G-d, YECHEZKEL 28:2), proclaiming that he himself is Elohim...
|5| Do you not recall that when I was still with you I was telling you these things?
|6| Yet you have da'as of what is holding back and restraining [*Anti-Moshiach*] now, so that he [*Anti-Moshiach*] may be unveiled and revealed in his own time.
|7| For the Sod HaMufkarut (Mystery of Lawlessness) is already working; only he who holds back and restrains just now will do so until he is out of the way.
|8| And then the Ish HaMufkarut (the Man of Lawlessness [*Anti-Moshiach*]) will be revealed, whom HaAdon [Moshiach Yehoshua, Malachi 3:1; Ps 110:1; Dan 7:13-14] will destroy by the RUACH (YESHAYAH 11:4) of His mouth and will wipe out at the appearance of His