Prayer for Israel

1. God again affirms that His overall goal is to be able to live with His people:

I will dwell among the children of Israel, and be their God; and they shall know that I am YHWH their God who brought them forth from the land of Egypt, so that I may dwell among them. I am YHWH their God. (Ex. 29:45-46)

- Lord Yeshua, we rejoice in the knowledge that it was for this same reason that You were born, died and rose again so that by Your Spirit, You and the Father could dwell in us (John 14:18, 23).
- We praise You Abba for reconciling us to Yourself through the blood of Your Son (Colossians 1:17-20).
- We praise You Lord for Your intercession which enables our salvation to be perfected (Heb. 7:25).
- We do not take it for granted that You, God the Creator, humble Yourself to hear and to answer our prayers, for which we are very grateful (Prov. 86:7; Prov. 15:8b; 1 John 5:14-15).

2. Government & Society:

PM Netanyahu has recently been acting much more like a Son of Zion than in the past. Regardless of what we think of him personally, or what his real motives are, he is the man whom God has as Israel's leader today, and so we hold up his arms in prayer.

- God, we thank You for those Sons of Zion in Israel's government who have rejected US President Biden's and others' plans to recognize a Palestinian State after the war (Psa. 118:8-9; Zech. 9:13)!
- We praise You that the Knesset, Israel's parliament, then voted 99-11 to support that government decision to reject any unilateral recognition of a Palestinian State by the nations (Psa. 133:1).
- Guard over this unity in Israel's coalition and war cabinet (Amos 3:3).
- Make him like those in Daniel who stood for You regardless of the personal costs (Dan. 3:16-18).
- We bless You that PM Netanyahu and most other Israeli leaders totally reject Hamas' absurd demands on a hostage exchange-for-ceasefire offer and ask You to make them unwavering on this (Prov. 21:1).

- Lord, cast out of Israeli society every spirit of lawlessness and rebellion (Psa. 66:7).
- Send forth Your shalom on released soldiers and their families as they reunite (Num. 6:24-27).
- God of Israel, bless Israel's economy to grow amazingly during this time (Deut. 8:18; 28:3-6).

3. Foreign Relations:

This is the arena where end-time prophetic events will play out. So it does not surprise us that most nations want to divide God's land to create a Palestinian state despite polls that consistently reveal how a vast majority of Palestinians support Hamas and its atrocities. Today the pressure on Israel is political, yet as Israel, God willing, continues to say no, Zechariah 12:2-9 14:2 could come to pass militarily a lot sooner than many of us were expecting.

- God, guide us so that we do not pray against what You are doing to fulfill Your Word (Amos 3:7).
- Lord, reveal to Your Body their spiritual obligation to stand in the gap nations (Ezek. 22:30) over its negative, or even just lukewarm, relations with Israel today (Isa. 60:12; Zech. 12:9).
- Raise up prophetic voices in the US to warn political and church leaders that Biden's push to create a "Palestine" pushes America deeper into Your valley of judgment (Num. 23:19-24; Joel 3:1-2).
- Lord, have Your Body warn their nations how You will not be mocked, but what they are trying to do with Israel is even now coming back on their lands as the deep divisions in most Western nations at this time can be linked with their push to divide Your land (Gen. 12:3a; Psa. 9:16; Gal. 6:7).
- Watch over Psalm 33:10-11 today, and destroy every anti-biblical plan of the nations against Israel.
- Speak truth through Israel's diplomats irrespective of the world's reaction (Prov. 29:1; Gal. 4:16).
- As Israel sees that it has very few dependable "friends" in the world, allow this truth to turn many Israelis to cry out to, and trust in, You alone (Num. 23:9b; Psa. 50:15; 80:3, 7, 19).

4. Israel's "War of Independence" continues today:

Other than brief periods of less active warfare, modern Israel has not had a time of true shalom since it reentered its land. "Operation Swords of Iron" against Hamas in Gaza is being won by Israel overwhelmingly. Is this why the world wants to end this phase of the war now, as one more obvious Israeli victory is just one more proof that the Bible is true and that Israel's God – is God?

- Lord of hosts, lead Israel to be victorious and restore its deterrence before its enemies (Isa. 51:9-10)!
- Let the war end when You say so and not when Biden or anyone else says so (Eccl. 3:1, 8).
- Move Israel to become more self-reliant in supplying the IDF's material needs and so cut off threats and/or manipulations from other nations – including its "friends" (Num. 23:23; 2 Chr. 26:14-15).
- Defend IDF soldiers physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually, and provide them with all that they need to gain a victory that brings You great glory (1 Sam. 17:46-47; Psa. 24:15; Rev. 15:4).
- Anoint the IDF to fight as Sons of Zion and not in line with humanistic standards (Zech. 9:13-15).
- We bless You that the IDF's tunnel warfare tactics have grown more effective and deadly against the enemy, and ask for all remaining tunnels to be found and demolished (Job 12:22; Jer. 23:24).
- Direct Israel's plans to invade Rafah, Hamas' final stronghold on the Gaza-Egypt border, including the timing of it (Prov. 21:30-31).
- As that border is a major gateway for Hamas to smuggle weaponry, Lord bring down every spiritual force that rules over that area and let it be completely conquered by the IDF (Isa. 28:5-6).
- As Israel permits Gazan civilians to leave the Rafah area, give IDF soldiers discernment to spot and capture all terrorists trying to escape by blending in with those civilians (Job 11:20; Psa. 56:7).
- Lord God, sovereignly release all remaining living hostages (Isa. 49:24-26; Jer. 32:17, 27), or lead the IDF to find them (Num. 21:1-3).

5. Internal Security:

Even with the war in Gaza, Israel battles against attempted terror attacks throughout the rest of its land daily. While some succeed, between Jerusalem and Ma'aleh Adumim, yet its security forces stop most attacks and pre-empt many others (Psa. 121:4).

- Use the war in Gaza and against the terrorists in Judea and Samaria to prove to Israelis that dividing Your land does not bring peace but rather death and devastation (Lev. 25:23; Joel 3:1-2).
- Use these attacks to unify all Israel to reject plans to recognize "Palestine" in their biblical heartland, which is exactly where You are planting them with all of Your heart and soul (Jer. 32:41-44).
- Encourage Israel to make a bold move and in response to the world's push for a "Palestine" to be created, as well as in response to an increase of internal terrorism, let it extend its sovereignty over all of the land – from the river to the sea (Judg. 2:1-5; Psa. 10:16)!
- Continue growing the Israeli communities in all of Judea and Samaria (Isa. 54:2-3; Amos 9:14-15).
- Reveal all terrorist plans or tunnels which have not been uncovered in that region (Psa. 139:12).
- Shield the private security forces that are often used to guard Israel's communities and checkpoints, keeping them alert and willing to defend Israelis despite the personal cost (Psa. 115:9; John 15:13).
- Give Israel wisdom touching the thousands of terrorists now in their prisons (Psa. 5:4; 10:15).
- Lord, save many Palestinians and turn them into Philo-Semites (Matt. 5:44; Rom. 11:11).

6. External Security:

Iran's goal is first "Death to Israel," and then "Death to America!" These slogans mean Iran's Shi'ite regime aims to conquer the world. Iran's war against Israel today is via its Middle East proxies – Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad in Gaza, Hizbullah in Lebanon, Houthis in Yemen, terrorist groups and its own nefarious activities in Syria.

• Prepare Israeli society and the IDF to fight a multi-front war if needed (2 Chr. 14:14; Psa. 23:5).

- Watch over Isaiah 8:9-10 in relation to Israel's current international security situation.
- Fight alongside the IDF to supernaturally magnify every attack against Hizbullah (Psa. 18:13-14).
- Expose and destroy Hizbullah's extensive tunnel system in Lebanon and further afield (Amos 9:2-3).
- Lord, we Your priests are interceding for Israel, therefore please fulfill Joel 2:17-20 and destroy Hizbullah, that northern army threatening Your nation today.
- God, arise and shake Iran physically, politically and economically (Job 38:12-15; Psa.68:1, 30b)
- We rejoice over the growth of Your Body in Elam [ancient Iran] (Jer. 49:38a; Matt. 16:18b).
- Strip off from the Iranian regime all of its demonic spiritual protection (Num. 14:9b).
- Set-free the Iranians and Iranian minority groups who suffer under that wicked regime (Isa. 14:5).
- Lead Iranian believers to constantly pray for their nation (1 Tim. 2:1-4), and for Israel (Psa. 122:6).

7. Aliyah:

The return of the Jews to God's/their land is the most important biblical sign of the end-times today. The regathering of God's scattered people (Jer. 31:10) happens before all Israel is saved and before the return of King Yeshua.

- Lord Yeshua, open the eyes of the whole Body to understand the biblical connection between the return of the Jews to their land and Your return to Jerusalem (Psa. 119:18; Zech. 14:1-4; Matt. 23:39).
- By Your Spirit, prepare Israel to receive and settle millions of Jews whom You are chasing out of the captivity and drawing back home (Jeremiah 16:16; 31:3; Zechariah 4:6-7).
- Let more Western Jews see that their comfortable cages in exile are being torn apart (Jer. 16:16).
- Use the massive anti-Israel demonstrations to shake up even the most secure cages (Jer. 51:6-10).

- Send forth angels to pull Your people out of modern-day Sodom and Gomorrah (Gen. 19:15-16).
- Remove the erroneous thinking from Jews that this eruption of Jew-hatred is only temporary and show them that living among the nations was never meant to be permanent (Deut. 30:3-5; Isa. 54:7-8).
- May the increased interest in aliyah among Jews lead to increased aliyah (Psa. 106:47).
- Release Jews who live in nations which forbid them to leave like Iran (Ex. 9:1; Psa. 105:13-15).
- Use more Jewish children to ask their parents why they are not living in Israel (Psa. 8:2).
- May Jews who make aliyah become firmly rooted in Your land (Isa. 37:31; Jer. 30:18-19).
- Show more pastors of their God-prophesied responsibility to teach on, and help with, the return of the Jews to their land – whether by prayer, financial help, physically carrying them, or sharing with Jews that their God sees them as in captivity and not at home (Isa. 49:22; 60:3-11; Rom. 15:26-27).

8. Salvation:

God's drawing His people to Himself has increased since October 7th. While this has not yet resulted, as far as we know, in people accepting Yeshua as King and High Priest— it will. Our part is to be persistent in prayer, asking God to save a large remnant of His people (Jer. 31:7b).

- Turn many who are seeking You today back to Your Word and away from the generally humanistic paths of rabbinic Judaism (Psa. 36:9; Isa. 55:6-11).
- Pour out Your Spirit, accompanied by dreams and visions, on the Jews regardless of whether they are in Israel or still in the captivity (Joel 2:28-32).
- Lord Yeshua, reveal Your Father to a huge remnant of Holocaust survivors; survivors of the Hamas massacre; all living hostages and ex-hostages and their families; IDF soldiers and families; families of soldiers who died in battle; soldiers and civilians permanently handicapped; medical personnel; ultra-Orthodox rabbis, their families and congregations; Jewish teachers in all levels of education; Israeli politicians; Israel's international diplomats; Israelis still not able to return to their homes in the Gaza periphery and the north;

pre-October 7th peace activists; Jews and Israelis in exile who are suddenly seriously concerned for their safety; Jews who have rejected Rabbinic Judaism but have not rejected You; unsaved loved ones of Messianic Jews (Matt. 11:27; Luke 10:22; John 14:6).

• Use Jewish and gentile believers to provoke Jews to jealousy (Rom. 11:11, 14).

9. The Body of Messiah:

Each of us has been brought into His kingdom for this time in history (Est. 4:14b). For us to be fruitful today, it is vital to have a sense of what He is doing to wrap up this age, and that only comes from knowing His Word. Knowing only the New Testament is not enough today—and in fact has never been enough. We must trust in the only Bible that Yeshua and the early believers had, loved, read and trusted in—the Old Testament.

- Lord, help us to see in Your Word which prophecies are being fulfilled now (Psa. 119:18; Isa. 32:3).
- Give every son and daughter of Zion greater influence in Your Body and decrease the influence of, or even remove, all sons and daughters of Greece (Zech. 9:13; 2 Pet. 2:1-2; Jude 1:3-4).
- Anoint Christian Zionists to sway their church fellowships in a biblical direction (1 Cor. 2:4, 13).
- Lord, cast out from Your Body every anti-Semitic and anti-Zionistic spirit (Prov. 17:5; Luke 11:35).
- Also remove and totally destroy that doctrine of demons replacement theology (1 Tim. 4:1-2).

10. Water:

The Lord has poured out on His land the latter rains in an abundant manner. In fact, Israel might see the Sea of Galilee full to overflowing before the rainy season is over.

- Lord God, we praise You for the latter rains which have fallen on Israel this year (Job 5:9-10).
- May Israelis see this as a further witness to Your merciful nature (Isa. 41:17-20; Matt. 5:45b).