

STUDY GUIDE

Grafted In: Unlocking Your Revelation of Your Hebraic Roots and Promises

“For if the Gentiles have been partakers of Israel’s spiritual things, their duty is also to minister to them in material things.” — Romans 15:27

Introduction

This teaching is not just about knowledge—it’s about transformation. My life was forever changed when I began to understand what it truly means to be grafted into the promises of God. Understanding our Hebraic roots is not just about history; it’s about stepping into the fullness of who we are as believers in Yeshua.

It is so important for the church to understand where we originated from—what belongs to us. The church has been robbed of so much depth in God’s Word. When you understand what you have been grafted into, you will realize the incredible inheritance that has always been yours. A portion of it has already been revealed, but as you embrace this truth, you will experience a deeper revelation of God’s love—not just for Israel, but for all of us. By the time you finish this journey, it will be as if you have been born again—again.

I will share not only biblical principles but also personal testimonies that shaped my walk with God. These moments of faith, challenge, and breakthrough will inspire you to step into your own calling with boldness and obedience.

Part 1: Understanding Your Connection to Israel

1. One New Man—Jew and Gentile in Messiah

- I have preached this message many times: One New Man is the key to understanding God's plan for both Jew and Gentile.
- The feasts of the Lord are not just for Israel; they belong to all believers.
- This is not about focusing only on One New Man—it's about teaching on the Hebraic roots and the revelation of the faith.
- God's heart has always been for both the Jewish people and the nations. We see this clearly throughout the Torah and Tanakh.
- Though Israel was chosen to be a light to the nations, they often failed. Yet, God's heart for the nations never wavered.

2. The Origin of the Word 'Jew'

Every time I stand in another pastor's pulpit, it humbles me. I usually say, "I only speak to Jews." That always gets their attention. Then, I ask, "Does anyone know where the term 'Jew' comes from?"

- The word 'Jew' comes from the tribe of Judah (*Yehuda*), the tribe from which Yeshua Himself came.
- *Yehuda* means "praise."
- No matter your background, when you receive Yeshua as your Messiah, you become a praiser of God.
- This simple truth removes any elitism—God chose the Jewish people to bring His knowledge to a broken world, but the invitation was always for everyone.

3. Being Grafted In—A Family Revelation

- My journey started with the Jewish faith—this is my family.

- Now, you have been grafted into this family. It's not just a doctrine; it's a reality.
- I don't see a religion in the Bible called Christianity—I see the biblical Jewish faith into which we have all been grafted.
- Many people say, “Why don't I recognize anything in this faith?” The answer is simple: because the church has been disconnected from its roots.

4. The Feasts—Prophetic Realities for the Church

- The feasts are not just historical; they carry prophetic significance for all of us.
- They belong to all believers, revealing God's eternal plan.
- We have all been made one with Him, and these appointed times are a blueprint for understanding our faith.

Part 2: Church History and the Roots of the Faith

1. Martin Luther and the Church's Stance on the Jewish People

- Many people don't know Martin Luther's stance on the Jewish people.
- He once wrote that if a Jew came to him for baptism, he would tie a millstone around his neck and throw him into the river.
- This is the man who is seen as a father of the Protestant Reformation, and his theology deeply influenced the Catholic Church.
- The spirit of anti-Semitism continued from there, shaping many church doctrines, including replacement theology.
- Some of the biggest churches in America today still teach replacement theology—this is a dangerous and heretical doctrine that has spread like wildfire.

2. What Belongs to the Church?

- The feasts, the roots, and the revelation of the faith belong to all believers.

- When we restore the Jewish roots of the faith, we understand the fullness of what we have inherited in Messiah.

3. When Hanukkah and Christmas Collide

- Nineteen years ago, Hanukkah and Christmas landed on the same date. This happens every 19 years.
- Most believers don't understand the deep connection between Hanukkah and Christmas.
- If the Maccabees had not risen up against the Hellenistic movement, the Jewish people would have been wiped out.
- They fought an army hundreds of times bigger and won. If they had lost, there would have been no Jewish people and no Yeshua.
- No Jewish people = No Christmas.
- The story of Hanukkah is about fighting to preserve God's covenant people so that the Messiah could come. It is relevant to all believers today.

Part 3: Personal Testimonies & Call to Action

I remember the moment it all clicked for me. It was back in the mid-90s when I attended a Messianic Rabbi's conference, and Jonathan Bernis shared a testimony that shook me to my core. He spoke about how the doors had opened in the former Soviet Union, and God had told him to go and reach the Jewish people with the Gospel.

Jonathan went in obedience, and what happened was nothing short of miraculous. He rented a small theater for his first outreach in Kyiv, and thousands of people showed up. Hundreds gave their lives to Yeshua, many of them Jewish. As he shared this testimony, my heart began to burn within me. Tears welled up in my eyes, and I knew—I had to be part of this.

So I went.

That next trip, Jonathan rented the Olympic Stadium in Moscow. The enemy tried to discourage him—when he spoke with the manager of the stadium, the man laughed and said, “You’ll never fill this place. Even with famous performers, we only get a few thousand people.” But Jonathan knew what God had spoken. So he pressed forward in faith.

And then the impossible happened.

Over three nights, more than 35,000 people attended, and at least half of them were Jewish. It was one of the most prophetic moments I’ve ever witnessed. When Jonathan gave the altar call, 90–95% of the people stood up to receive Yeshua.

But the moment that broke me was when we invited Holocaust survivors to sit in the VIP section. As the altar call was given, one by one, these elderly survivors—people who had suffered so much—stood up and gave their lives to Yeshua. I wept. I could hardly believe what I was seeing.

It was in that moment that God deposited something in my spirit—a burning passion to serve His people. But it wasn’t just about preaching the Gospel. I had seen something else in Russia—something that would change my direction forever.

The Birth of Jezreel International

After witnessing the poverty in Russia and Ukraine, I couldn’t shake the burden. The stores were empty, people were selling scraps just to buy food, and I knew—I had to do something.

Back home, I got a call from a friend who was moving to Kyiv to plant a congregation. His secretary asked me if I would help collect supplies for them. That was it. That was the moment God showed me what I was supposed to do. I rallied my congregation, and we collected 25 cases of supplies.

That was just the beginning.

A month later, I called to check in. The secretary said, “Barry, my living room is full. My garage is full. I need a warehouse.”

When she said the word “warehouse,” something leapt in my spirit. I knew—God was calling me to something bigger. But I had no idea how to start a humanitarian aid ministry.

The first year, we struggled. We couldn’t pay the rent. I cried out to God, “Did I miss You?”

And then God spoke: “I had to kill you.”

I repented and surrendered everything to Him.

The moment I did, God started moving. What began as one shipment grew to over 260 in a single year. God took something small and turned it into a miracle.

The Seed of Abraham

Both my wife and I led a One New Man congregation called “The Seed of Abraham” for over 16 years.

Let me tell you something. If anybody said to me that “Barry and Toni, four and a half years from now, you are going to be running this congregation, you're going to be the rabbis of this congregation,” I probably would've run out the door. I mean, it was not even on my top one-millionth list to do, to tell you the truth.

We now have a Zoom congregation since COVID called “The Miracle Center.”

Closing Prayer & Commissioning

May the Lord bless you and keep you, make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May He lift up His countenance upon you and give you His perfect peace.

May you walk in the revelation of your grafted-in identity, unlocking the blessings of your Hebraic roots, and living a life marked by faithfulness, generosity, and obedience.

Hineni—Here am I, Lord! Send me.