

Messianic Al Chet

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We know from your Word, Lord and God of our fathers, that it is your will for your people Israel to repent of its sins and receive Your forgiveness and your salvation in Yeshua. A remnant of us who are of Israel have already come to faith in Messiah Yeshua, but most of our brethren still have not. It is therefore for those of us who believe, to first repent of our own sins so that we may effectively invoke 1 Peter 2:5-11 and, in our capacity as New Covenant Priests, plead with you to remove the blindness from our eyes that we may see Yeshua clearly, and receive Him as our Messiah. Since we know there is no forgiveness of sin without blood, we will plead with You, Lord, our God, to send a witness of Yeshua to each and every one of us that we may acknowledge His blood poured out for our sins, corporately and individually repent, lay our sins upon Him as our atoning sacrifice, and receive salvation and eternal life. Draw us to Yeshua, Lord our God, and in Him cleanse us from all our sins, even:

Al Chet: (repeat these two words prior to each set of declared sins)

For the sin we committed in your sight forcibly or willingly,
And for the sin we committed against you with hard heartedness.
For the sin we committed against you without intention,
And for the sin we committed against you with idle talk.
For the sin we committed in your sight by lustful actions,
And for the sin we committed against you by offensive speech.
For the sin we committed in your sight by oppressing others,
And for the sin we committed by contempt for parents and teachers.
For the sin we committed in your sight by lewd association,
And for the sin we committed against you by insincere confession.
For the sin we committed against you by violence,
And for the sin we committed against you by defaming your name.

O God of mercy and forgiveness, receive our prayer, open our eyes to the truth of Yeshua, hear our plea for mercy, and forgive all Israel for its sins.

Al Chet: (repeat these two words prior to each set of declared sins)

For the sin we committed in your sight by fraud and deception,
And for the sin we committed against you by bribery.
For the sin we committed in your sight by mocking,
And for the sin we committed against you by slander.
For the sin we committed in your sight by usury and interest,
And for the sin we committed against you by pride.
For the sin we committed in your sight by our manner of speech,
And for the sin we committed against you by wanton glances.
For the sin we committed in your sight by arrogance,
And for the sin we committed against you by scornful defiance.

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For the sin we committed in your sight by shirking responsibility,
And for the sin we committed against you by passing judgment.
For the sin we committed in your sight by plotting against others,
And for the sin we committed against you by Gross selfishness.
For the sin we committed in your sight by foolishness,
And for the sin we committed against you by being stubborn.
For the sin we committed in your sight by running to do evil,
And for the sin we committed against you by tale bearing.
For the sin we committed in your sight by swearing falsely,
And for the sin we committed against you by groundless hatred.
For the sin we committed in your sight by breach of trust,
And for the sin we committed against you by a confused heart.

O God of mercy and forgiveness, receive our prayer, open our eyes to the truth of Yeshua, hear our plea for mercy, and forgive all Israel for its sins.

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For the sins requiring a burnt offering,
And for the sins requiring a sin offering.
For the sins requiring corporal punishment,
And for the sins requiring forty lashes.
For the sins requiring death,
And for the sins requiring excommunication and childlessness.

Forgive us God of mercy and forgiveness for all these sins, for we read of our Messiah:

“But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, everyone, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all” (Isaiah 53:5-6).

In past times, You O God, provided atonement for us through the system of animal sacrifice, but now You provide that atonement through Yeshua our Messiah, as You explain to us:

“But Messiah came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Messiah, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God” (Hebrews 9:11-14)?

“But this man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified” (Hebrews 10:12-14).

So, God of mercy and forgiveness, receive our prayer as we stand before you as and for Israel, open our eyes to the truth of Yeshua, hear our plea for mercy, and forgive all Israel for its sins.

In Yeshua’s name we pray, Amen!