

THE ONE NEW MAN IN ISRAEL / PALESTINE

This is an modified version of a PPT presentation to St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Nobleton, ON, Mar. 3, 2013; the comments added are based on those given orally at that time.

I certainly appreciate being invited to share a little about my upcoming trip to Israel, Mar. 20 to Apr 17, and I will value greatly your prayers.

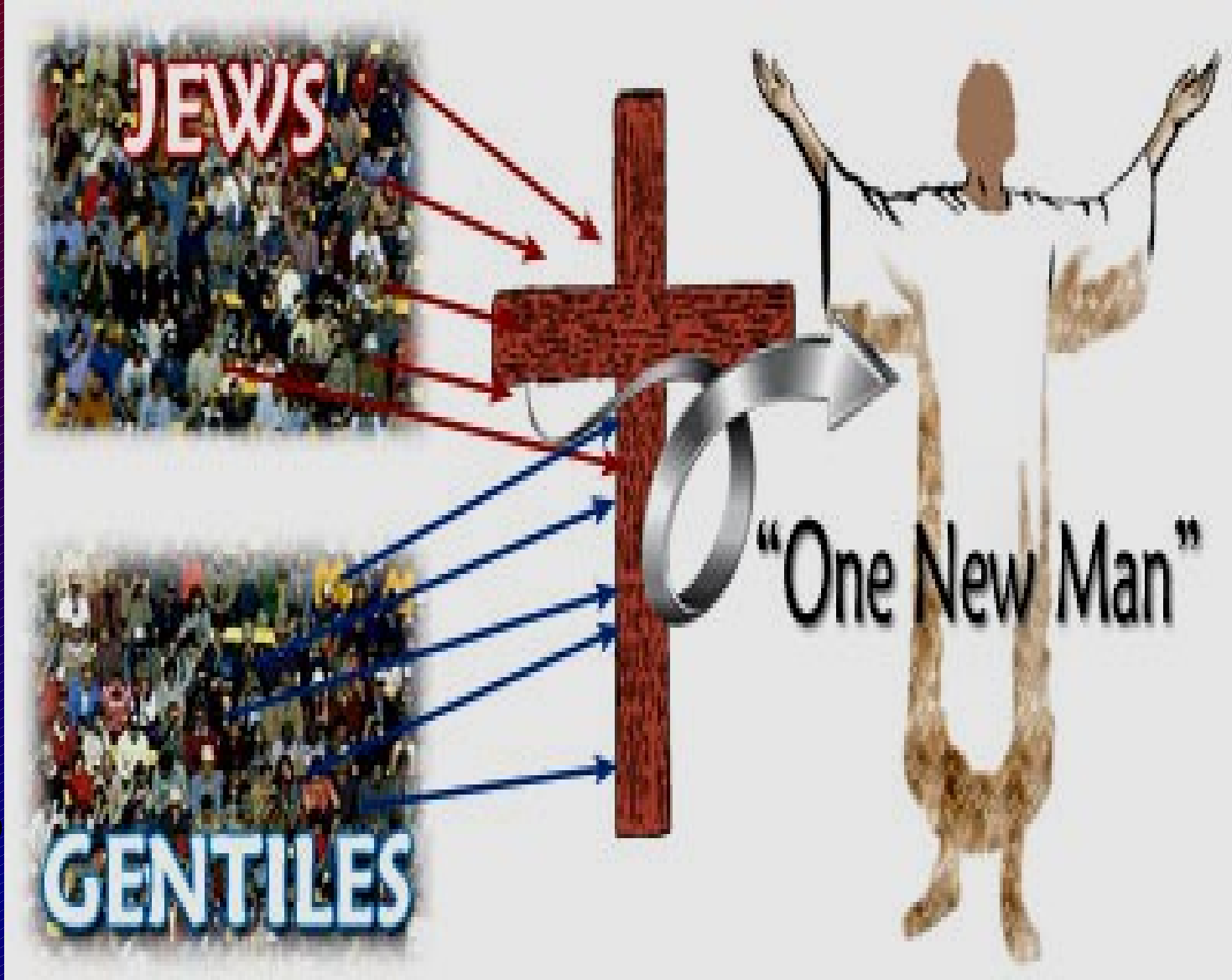
I have been to Israel several times for different purposes; I have been: a pilgrim, tourist, student (Hebrew), volunteer, tour guide, intercessor. In some ways this time, I am on a mission, and that mission has much to do with . . .

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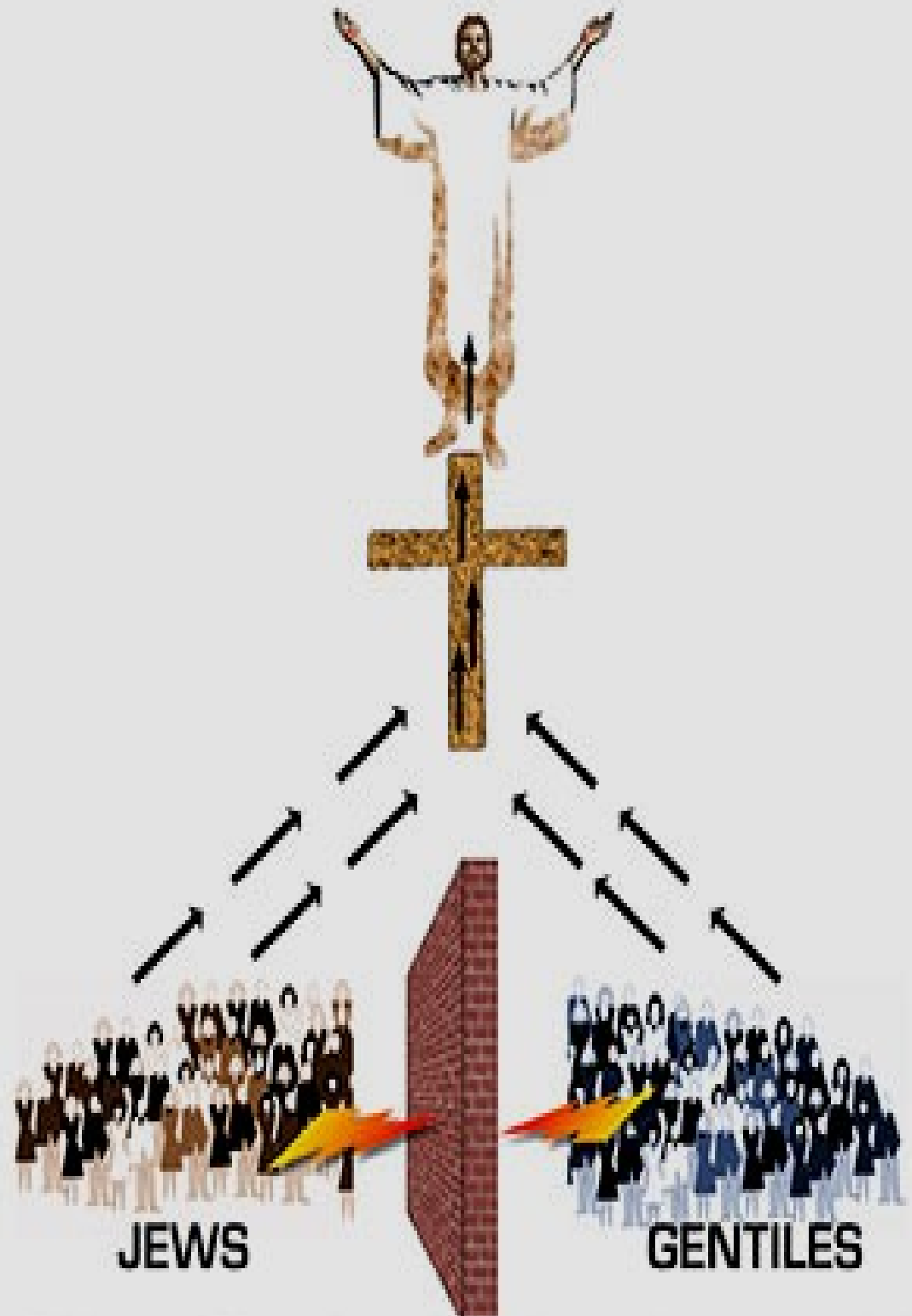
To begin with, I am reading three verses from Ephesians 2. You will note I've added explanatory words, emphases, pictures and diagrams to help impact you with this radical message and to help you apply these verses to what is God is doing in modern Israel/Palestine.

For he himself [Jesus] is our peace who has made the



TWO ↑ ONE

**And has
destroyed
the dividing
wall
of hostility
[by the
cross]**





**His purpose
[in the cross]
was to create
in himself
ONE
NEW
MAN**

**out of the two
[Arab & Jew],
thus making PEACE**

and in
THIS ONE BODY
to reconcile both
of them
[Arab & Jew]
to God through
the cross by which
he put to death their
hostility. (Eph. 2:14 - 16)



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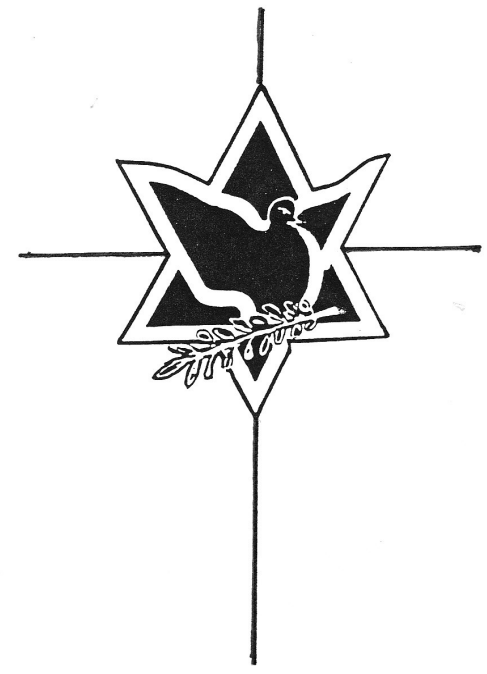
It is certainly a divided land. A land divided by issues of the land itself.

UNITED BY THE CROSS



However, for some Palestinian Arabs and Israeli Jews their walls of hatred, revenge, racism, culture, religion have been torn down by the Cross and they are united in love by the Cross to form the One New Man.

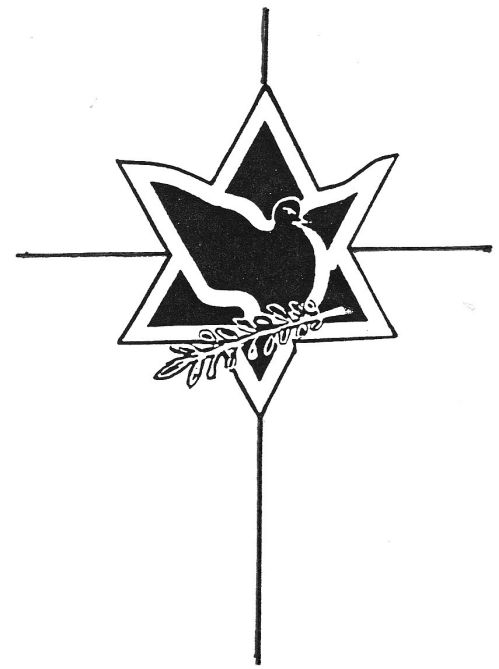
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It certainly is exciting to experience first hand Jews and Arabs worshipping together, expressing practical, sacrificial love to one another.

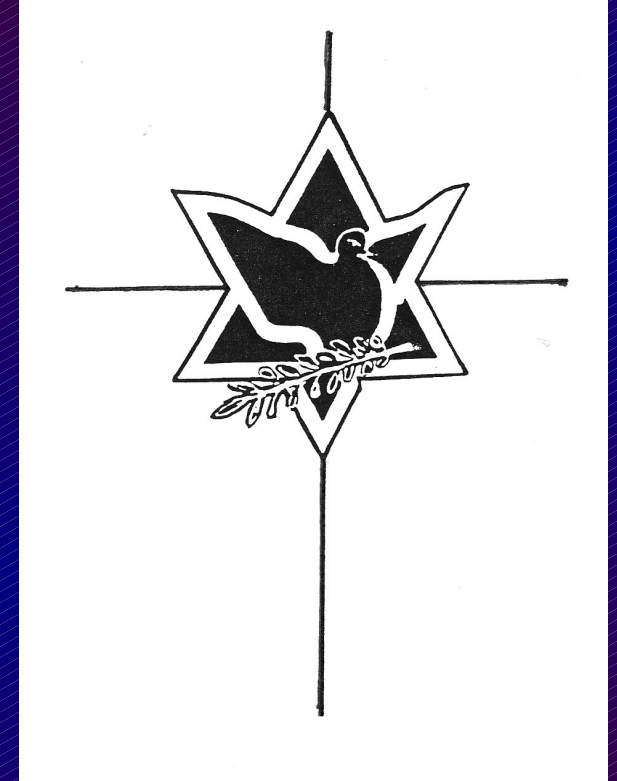
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As in previous trips, I expect to be learn & be challenged more deeply to follow the example of Jesus and how to be part of the mission of the One New Man.

My goals regarding The One New Man in Israel:



1. experience the One New Man
2. learn from " " " "
3. encourage " " " "

Thirdly, I hope to encourage in some ways the formation and mission of this One New Man.

**God is doing
wonderful things
today in
Israel / Palestine:**



1. Jews in Israel accepting Jesus as their Messiah 200 → > 10,000

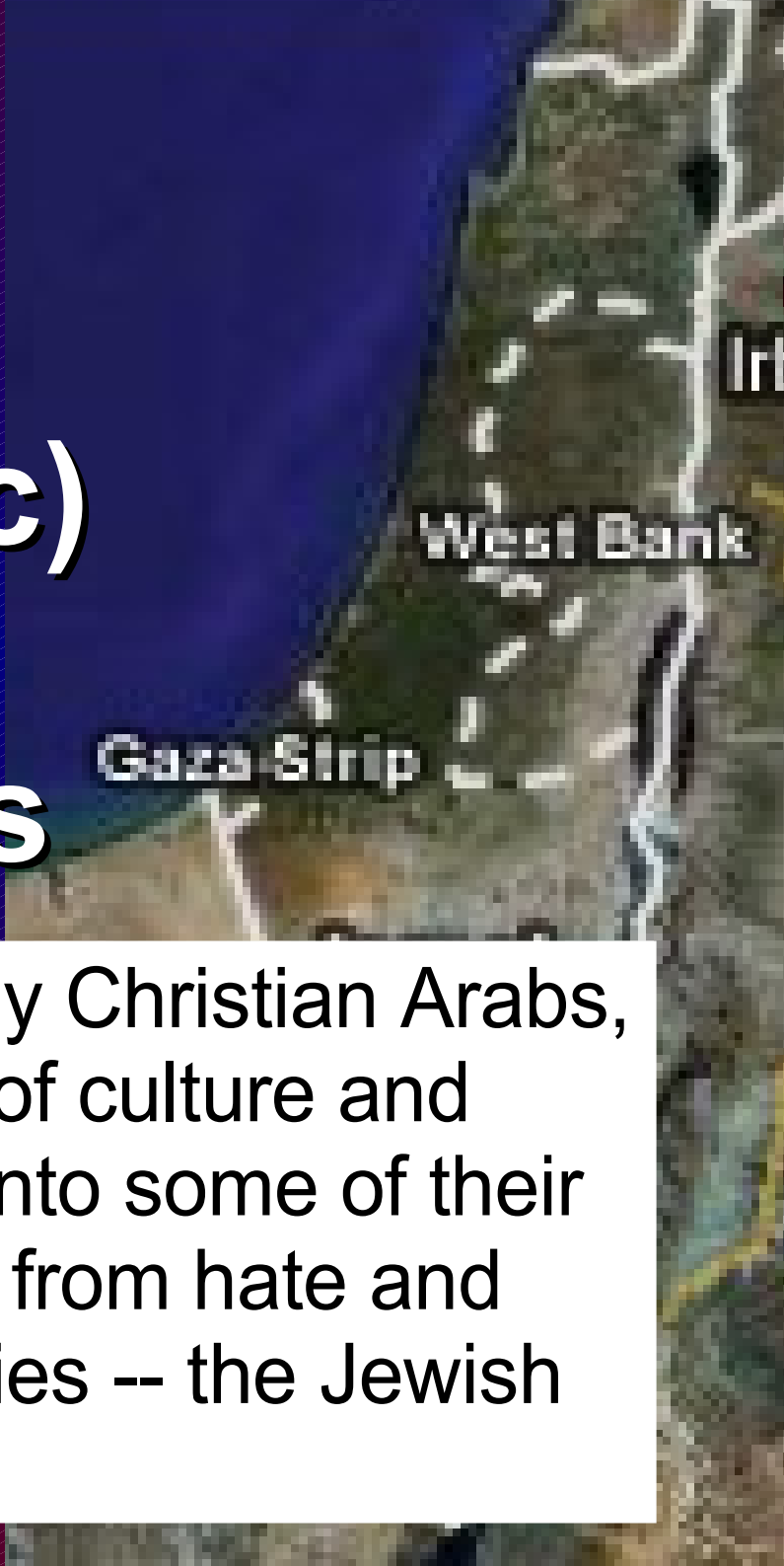
In 1948, there were around 200 Jews in Israel who believed in Jesus as Messiah in a handful of Messianic groups. The estimates now are 10,000 to 15,000 in 200 Messianic fellowships.



2. Nominally

Christian Arabs (Orthodox/Catholic) becoming true Believers/Disciples

For some – NOT ALL – nominally Christian Arabs, their religion has become a matter of culture and compromise. But Jesus is coming into some of their lives in a new way, delivering them from hate and filling with them love for their enemies -- the Jewish people and Muslims.



3. Muslims accepting Christ.

Some members of this One New Man were formally Muslim, but in spite of the high risk of violent persecution, they have invited Jesus to give them new hearts of love for Him and for Jewish people.



4.

Formation of the **ONE NEW MAN.**

(Eph. 2:14-16)



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JESUS —***

***OUR
CRUCIFORM*
EXAMPLE***
(*cross-shaped)

by Ronald Wm. Wilson

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who exemplify cruciformity**

Much of my activity in Israel will be related to my book, to be published soon after I return.

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cruciformity”**

10 Jewish – 10 Arab
wonderful examples of
what it means to truly
follow the example of
Jesus – especially where
it comes to relating to
former enemies. .

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I do not have time to explain and sell you on the term “cruciform”. You will be able to read all about this before long when the book is published. :)

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Let me read thumbnail
sketches of two of the
stories . . .

Story # 17:

Love so impacted a young Arab lady training to be a suicide bomber that she left her training and followed Jesus. She learned to love her enemies, the Jews, and share life with them rather than share death.

Story # 2:

Aaron, Jewish, was set free by the Cross from deep pain and hatred against Arabs. His amazing, loving response to a severe beating by Hamdi, a Muslim, led to Hamdi's giving his life to Jesus soon after.



A WAKENING THE ONE NEW MAN

Interesting symbol of the
One New Man



AWAKENING
THE ONE
NEW MAN

Two Groups I will meet with:

- 1. Arabs and Jews whose stories are in my book**



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Two Groups I will meet with:

2. Pastors and leaders involved
in reconciliation and in the
One New Man

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Why meet?

1. To many of those whose stories I am using, I will present a draft copy of my book on a CD for their approval of my version of their story and of the context in which I am using it.

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2. Offer pastors, leaders opportunity to have further reference in the book to details of their ministry, links to web pages, etc.

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Why meet?

3. To elicit endorsements from some of those leaders for the back cover, or pages in the front.

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**To challenge
everyone
about**

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**To
encourage
everyone
about**

. . .

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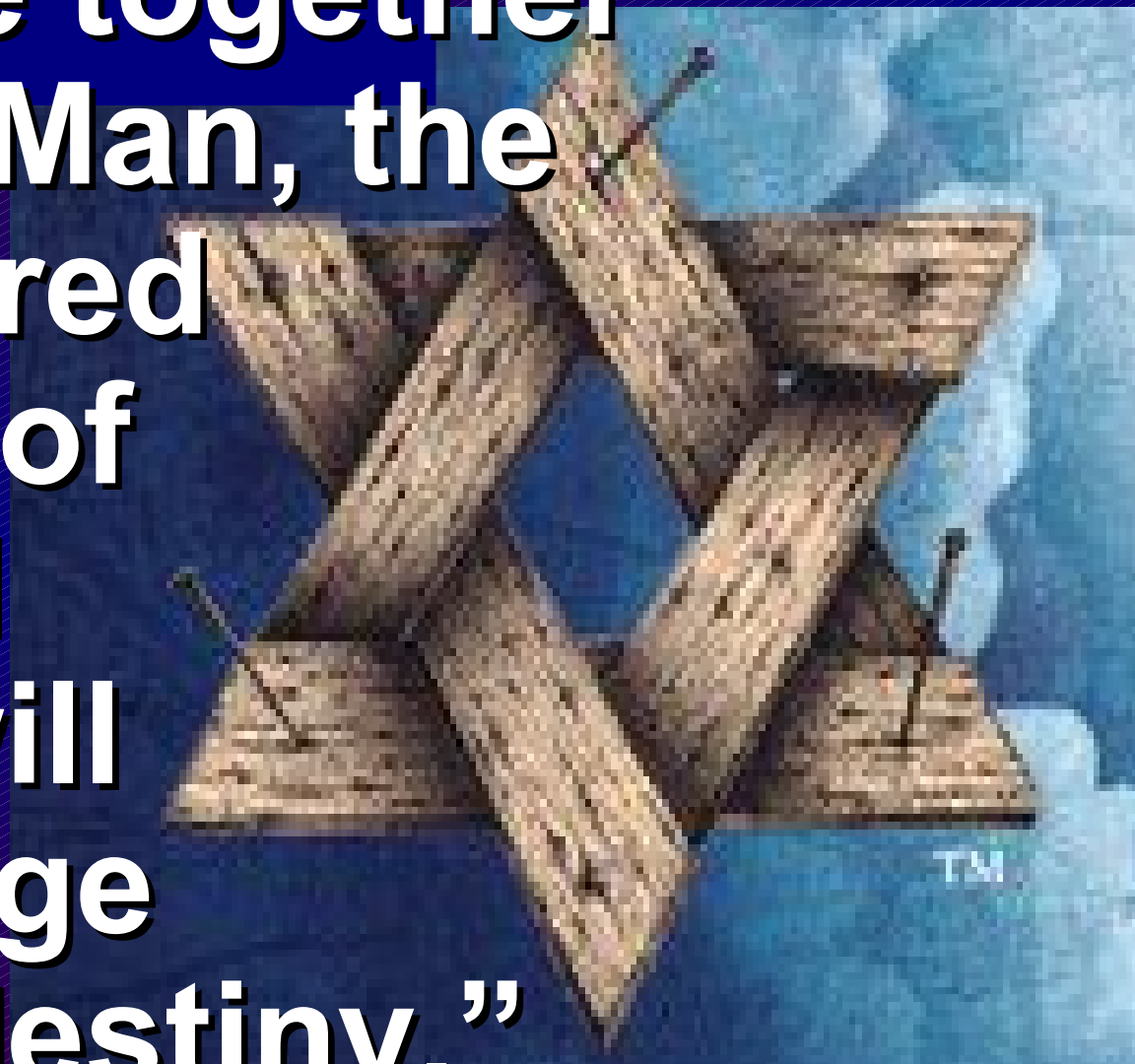
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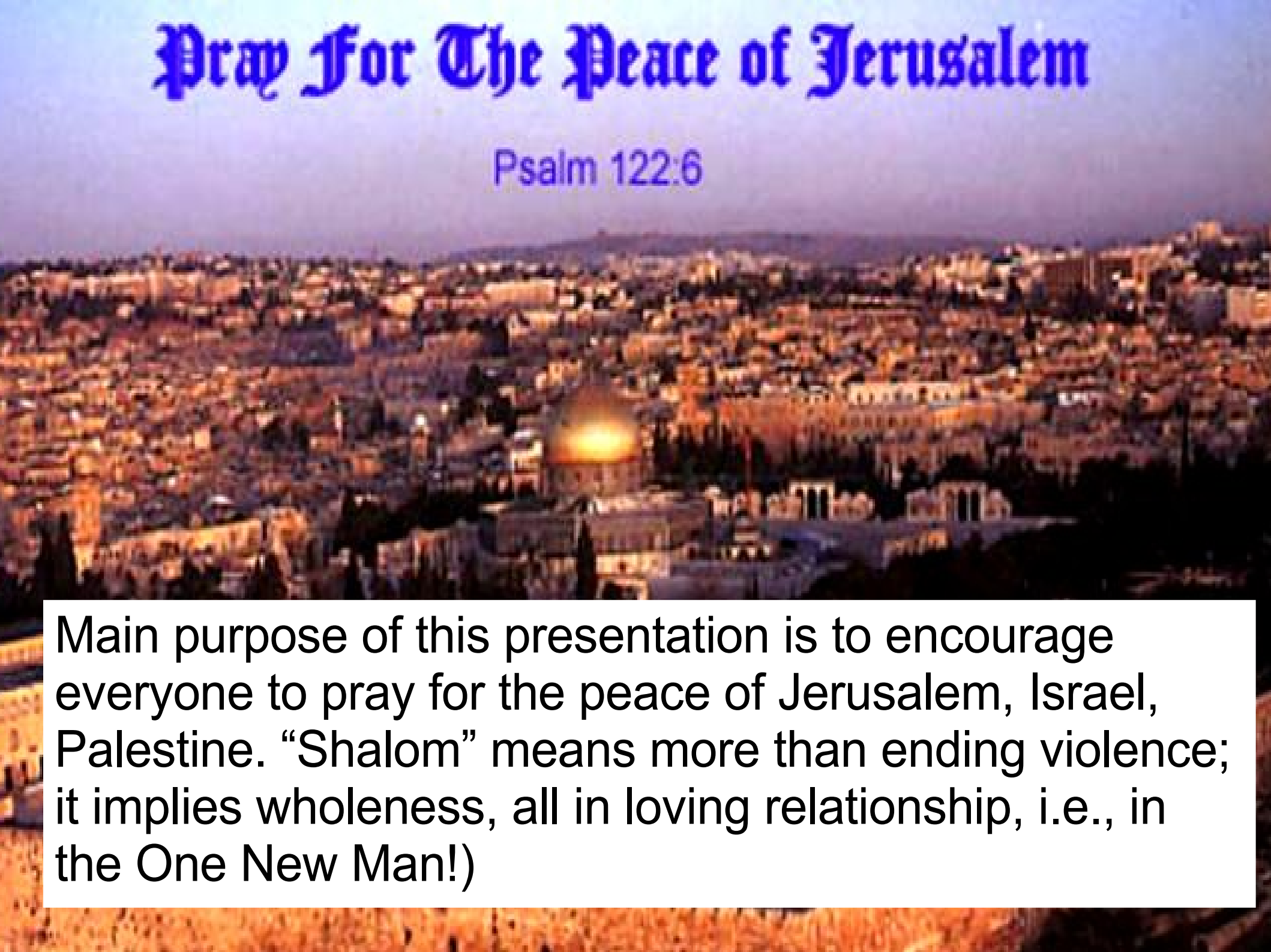
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**“When Jew and
Gentile come together
as One New Man, the
Lord has stored
up a release of
blessing and
power that will
forever change
humanity's destiny.”**



Pray For The Peace of Jerusalem

Psalm 122:6

An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, Israel, taken at dusk. The city is densely packed with buildings, and the warm light of the setting sun casts a golden glow over the scene. In the center, the Dome of the Rock is brightly lit, its golden dome shining against the darkening sky. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and historic.

Main purpose of this presentation is to encourage everyone to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, Israel, Palestine. “Shalom” means more than ending violence; it implies wholeness, all in loving relationship, i.e., in the One New Man!)

Sing with the Marantha Singers – use link below

Pray For The Peace of Jerusalem

Psalm 122:6

(Jerusalem shall live in peace)

Sha'alu shalom Yerushalayim

שאלו שלום ירושלים

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrSn1nIV1sE>