

Why We Use the Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

We use the Complete Jewish Bible mainly because its Author, Dr. David Stern is a Jewish believer in Yeshua-Jesus as the true Messiah who was sent by God to come into this world as our Redeemer. Dr. David Stern also wrote the *Jewish New Testament Commentary* which we highly recommend to any Bible student who wants to understand Scripture from a Hebrew perspective and know more about how the Jewish Yeshua-Jesus lived, acted, thought and dedicated His life to God as a Jew. Dr. David Stern opens up the Scriptures through his Hebrew background to explain so much of scriptural confusion which exists in the exegesis of Christians who study the *Old and New Testaments* from Greek-Western thinking, which by definition, is different to Hebrew thinking and understanding. Dr. David Stern is a scholar of both the ancient Hebrew and Greek languages and translated the *New Testament* from the Greek manuscripts.

The Complete Jewish Bible contains all four main sections of the Bible, which are:

- A) The Torah:** The Books of Moses—the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy). ***The Torah is sealed by God and not to be changed.***
- B) The Prophets:** Joshua, Judges, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi
- C) The Writings:** The Hebrew Bible arranges these in three parts:
- > **Poetic books:** Psalms, Proverbs and Job.
 - > **Five Festival Scrolls:** Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations, Eccles. & Esther.
 - > **Historical books:** Daniel, Ezra-Nehemiah and Chronicles.
- Yeshua-Jesus authorised the above Scriptures, which are known in Hebrew as the ***Tanakh*** and in English, the *Old Testament*. “Yeshua said to them, “This is what I meant when I was still with you and told you that everything written about me in the *Torah* of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms had to be fulfilled.” (Luke 24:44 CJB)
- D) The Brit HaDashah (New Testament):** The **Gospels, Writings and Letters, with Revelation—God seals the *Book of Revelation* as He did with the *Torah* and is not to be changed.**

Why did Yeshua-Jesus Live by Torah Instruction?

As students of the Bible it is important to prove for yourself whether or not Yeshua-Jesus....:

- was the Word of God, the Way, the Truth and the Light. These are also descriptions of Torah.
- was the Shepherd of God’s People who came only for the ‘Lost Sheep’ of the House of Israel.
- lived a perfect life **because** He obeyed God’s Torah instructions, without condemnation by Torah.
- was a great Rabbi on Earth and taught Torah and rightly judged others using Torah standards.
- came to establish the immortal truths about Himself, those written in the *Torah, Writings and Prophets*.
- told His disciples that the Torah would not pass away until everything in God’s plan has happened.

John 14:21 (CJB) “Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me, and the one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

Romans 3:31 (CJB) “Does it follow that we abolish Torah by this trusting? Heaven forbid! On the contrary, we confirm Torah.”

Deuteronomy 30:11-14 (CJB) “For this mitzvah [these Torah commandments] which I am giving you today is not too hard for you, it is not beyond your reach.”

Matthew 5:18-20 (CJB) ¹⁸ Yes indeed! I tell you that until heaven and earth pass away, not so much as a yud [a mark] or a stroke will pass from the Torah — not until everything that must happen has happened. ¹⁹ So whoever disobeys the least of these mitzvot [Torah commandments] and teaches others to do so will be called the least in the Kingdom of Heaven. But whoever obeys them and so teaches will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness is far greater than that of the Torah-teachers and P’rushim [Pharisees], you will certainly not enter the Kingdom of Heaven!

