



Messiah House's Official Response

The Star of David

The community of Messiah House loves and cares for the Jewish community. One of our primary missions is to pray and fast and to seek the Lord for their salvation.

We must understand the Jewish people's suffering for centuries simply for being Jewish, from the Holocaust, Inquisitions, and Crusades, to their present-day struggles in the Middle East, surrounded by their enemies.

The one symbol that has been used as an emblem of their never-ending resolve and courage is the Star of David (Magen David). When Israel became a nation again in the twentieth century, the symbol they chose to represent its flag was the Star of David.

As a community, we are dedicated to loving the Jewish people, praying for Israel, and interceding for their salvation.

Now, our authenticity to scripture leads us to be very cautious of any symbol, trinket, or image:

Exodus 20:4

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

For this reason, we make a concerted effort to avoid imagery that the Lord did not explicitly ordain in the Tabernacle. I.e., The Menorah, Brazen Laver, Alter of Incense, Ark of the Covenant, etc.

There are also legitimate concerns from people who point to the Babylonian origins of the Star of David; they will likely cite the fact that David was never assigned a star in the Bible and that the real symbol for Judah in the Bible was the lion.

We will allow each person in the community to do their research and allow the *Ruach HaKodesh* to lead them appropriately to walk out their faith before the Lord. We are committed to loving each other through any difference in opinions, knowing that it is all of our hearts to love Yeshua and honor Him, and live out an expression of love towards the Jewish people.

Please respond in humility and love when you have a different opinion on these matters from a brother or sister.