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Jewish Bible Study Experience

Messiah and the Messianic Age

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Awaiting Moshiach – The Obligation

The vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak and not lie. Though he tarry – wait for him, for it shall surely come...it will not be late.

Hababuk 2:3

Therefore wait for me, says G-d, for the day that I rise to the prey; for My judgment is to gather nations, that I assemble kingdoms, to Pour out upon them My indignation, all My fierce anger. For all the earth shall be consumed by the fire of my jealousy.

Zephaniah 3:8

Happy are all those that wait for him.

Isaiah 30:18

For Your salvation do I long, O G-d!

Bereshit (Genesis) 49:18

I believe with complete faith in the coming of Moshiach. Though he tarry, nonetheless I await him every day, that he will come.

Rambam, *Principles of the Faith*, No. 12

Starting with Moshiach: Beginning with the Beginning

In the beginning G-d created the heaven and the earth; the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the spirit of G-d hovered over the face of the waters.

Bereshit (Genesis) 1:1-2

And the spirit of G-d hovered: this alludes to the spirit of Messiah, as you read, **And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.**

Midrash Rabbah, Bereshit (Genesis) 2:4

Moshiach and Redemption: Integral to Judaism

I shall see him, but not now, I shall look at him, but it is not near. A star has issued from Jacob and a scepter-bearer has risen from Israel, and he shall pierce the nobles of Moab and undermine all the children of Seth.

Bamidbar (Numbers) 24:17

I am G-d, your G-d, who has taken you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

Shemot (Exodus) 20:2

...[O]ur current “reality” is a dream, while the world of Moshiach is the true reality. In a single moment, we can all wake from the dream of galut [exile] and open our eyes to the true reality of our existence – the perfect world of Moshiach.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe, July 14, 1984

A Prophet Like Moses

I will set up a prophet for them from among their brothers like you [Moses], and I will put My words into his mouth, and he will speak to them all that I command him.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 18:18