MARRIAGE COVENANT
FROM JEWISH PERSPECTIVE
HEBREW LANGUAGE – ‘VERBS’ ARE EMPHASIZED

HUSBANDS – ‘LOVE’ YOUR WIVES

JUST AS JESUS CHRIST WHO

‘GAVE’ HIMSELF UP FOR HER
 ✓‘MAKE’ HER HOLY
 ✓‘CLEANSE’ HER
 ✓‘WASH’ WITH WATER – THE BAPTISM, _THRO_ WORD
 ✓‘PRESENT’ HER TO YOURSELF RADIANT

WITHOUT STAIN / WRINKLE / BLEMISH,

HOLY AND BLEMISH-LESS

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NISSUIN / KIDDUSHIN- WEDDING = KODESH - HOLY
JESUS DOES ALL THESE TO PRESENT HIS BRIDE TO HIMSELF FULL OF GLORY.

-THROUGH THE “WASHING” – WITH SCRIPTURES

HENCE, THE PURPOSE OF THE WORD OF GOD:

➢ TO PREPARE THE BRIDE
➢ TO GET HER MARRIED TO JESUS CHRIST
THEN IS THE BIBLE FOR

A STATEMENT OF DOCTRINES

OR

FOR PREPARING THE BRIDE?
ARUSA - NISSUIN

FIRST WEDDING
FINAL WEDDING

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ARUSA

AS GOOD AS WEDDING

ARUSA ONLY AFTER THE GROOM WRITES
THE ‘KETUBAH’ AGREEMENT
KETUBAH

‘that which is written’

BETROTHAL CONTRACT BOOKLET

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KETUBAH

‘that which is written’

Betrothal Contract Booklet
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PARENTS + 2 / 7 WITNESSES
VISIT THE HOME OF THE BRIDE TO BE

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PARENTS & THE GROOM COME TO THE BRIDE’S HOME

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There is a tradition followed by some whereby the bride walks around the groom under the Chuppah before the rabbi begins the wedding ceremony.

This tradition has ties to Jeremiah 31:22, where the prophet says that a woman encompasses and protects a man.
KETUBAH CONTAINS 3 SECTIONS
I. **FATHER**-

WRITES HIS FAMILY’S GENEALOGY DETAILS

TO LEARN ABOUT THE FAMILY

THE BRIDE COMES INTO

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II. MOTHER WRITES ABOUT HER

- Son’s birth,
- Upbringing,
- Character,
- Temperament,
- Likes and dislikes.

To learn about how to win over the husband by pleasing him.
III. BRIDE GROOM-

✓ WHAT HE FEELS ABOUT THE BRIDE
✓ WHAT GIFTS HE HAS IN STORE FOR HER
✓ HOW HE WOULD TREAT HER
✓ WHAT HE PROMISES HER

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CLEAR & PRECISE DETAILS WRITTEN ARTISTICALLY

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GROOM TO AFFIX HIS SIGNATURE IN PRESENSE OF ALL IN THE CEREMONY

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KETUBAH READ OUT & OATH GIVEN

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Other brides circle seven times.

As Joshua circled the wall of Jericho seven times, and then the walls fell down.

So, too, after the bride walks around the groom seven times, the walls between them will fall and their souls will be united.
MARRIAGE IS THE IDEAL HUMAN STATE.

Judaism views marriage as holy, as a sanctification of life. 

*kiddushin*, which means "sanctification"

WHEN REFERRING TO MARRIAGE- KADOSH-SANCTIFIED

fusion of the souls, a partnership for life
God created the first man, Adam, and the first woman, Eve, from one body. Marriage returns us to oneness. Men and women become complete through marriage.
Rabbinic tradition teaches that a marriage will only be peaceful if God is a part of the union.

The Hebrew word for man is

EISH, which is spelled <Aleph - Yud – Shin>.

The Hebrew word for woman is

EISHA, which is spelled <Aleph - Shin – Hay>.

The letters Yud and Hay combine to form the Hebrew name for God. Removing the letters Yud and Hay (God) from the words EISH and EISHA, leaves the letters <Aleph and Shin>.

Aleph and Shin spell ESH, which is the word for ‘fire’.

Thus, Judaism teaches that if God is not made a part of the union between a man and a woman, then the couple will be left with fire.
Some brides will circle three times.

Tradition from Hosea 2:21-22, **God says to Israel:**
"I betroth you to myself forever;
I betroth you to myself in righteousness and in justice, in love and in mercy;
I betroth you to myself in faithfulness..."
BETROTHAL –
THEN 12 – 15 MONTHS GAP BEFORE FINAL WEDDING CEREMONY
MIKVEH – ARUSA IS OVER

TECHNICALLY BRIDE IS UNDER HER HUSBAND

BRIDE – TREASURES KETUBAH,
       READS, REREADS, REREADS..

REALIZES THAT

✓ MY HUSBAND IS RICH,
✓ MY HUSBAND HAS COMPLETED BAR-MITZWAH
✓ HENCE, HE IS A MAN OF SCRIPTURES-
✓ HENCE, KNOWS HIS RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES
✓ ABLE TO DISCERN THE WILL OF GOD
✓ ABLE TO HEAD & LEAD THE FAMILY
BAPTISM – ARUSA IS OVER
‘NOW WE ARE BETROTHED TO JESUS’

TECHNICALLY WE ARE UNDER ‘OUR’ HUSBAND
CHURCH– THE BRIDE TREASURES THE BIBLE,
READ, REREADS, REREADS..

✓ MY HUSBAND IS KING OF KINGS – RICH, MAJESTIC..
✓ MY HUSBAND IS HOLY & RIGHTeous
✓ MY HUSBAND IS STRONG & WISE
✓ MY HUSBAND IS FAITHFUL & TRUSTWORTHY
✓ MY HUSBAND LOVES ME SO MUCH.....
KETUBAH -
IT IS THE FAMILY ALBUM OF
MY GROOM
EXODUS 19:5; 20:1-3
MOUNT SINAI

I AM THE LORD.....

IF YOU ACCEPT MY OFFER THEN YOU WILL BE MY TREASURED POSSESSION......
WORD OF GOD SHOULD REVEAL MY BRIDEGROOM

- BIBLE IS NOT A BOOK OF ‘LAW’ FOR LEGALISM
- BIBLE IS NOT FOR DOCTRINE
- BIBLE IS NOT A RELIGIOUS BOOK
- BIBLE REVEALS WHAT PLEASES MY HUSBAND
- BIBLE IS INSTRUCTIONS TO THE BRIDE TO BE
KNOW’ = RELATIONSHIP & IT DOES NOT MEAN MERE INTELLECTUAL IDENTIFICATION

SHEMA - KNOW THAT THE LORD IS ONE
**A BEAUTY PARLOUR**

**BRIDE SUBMITS FOR BEAUTIFICATION TREATMENT**

**INNER BEAUTY – FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT**

**BRIDE GLOWS DUE TO DIGNITY RECEIVED**

**COMMUNICATES WITH HER BETROTHED**

**NO MEDIATOR CAN COME IN**
GROOM SHOULD PREPARE
A HOUSE / BEDROOM – “RABBOOTH”
IN HIS FATHER’S HOUSE
1 “Do not be worried and upset,” Jesus told them. “Believe in God, and believe also in me.

2 There are many rooms in My Father’s house, and I am going to prepare a place for you. I would not tell you this if it were not so.

3. And after I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back ad take you to myself, so that you will be where I am.
FATHER LOOKS AT SON’S PREPAREDNESS

PREPARES A BIG DOWRY IN HEAVEN

“GO BRING YOUR WIFE NOW”

JESUS WILL RETURN TO US THEN
HENCE, MARRIAGE IS HOLY.
MARRIAGE IS GOD’S INSTRUMENT FOR HOLY RACE AND RELATIONSHIP.
TALLITH PRAYER SHAWL

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UNITED UNDER ONE TALLITH - THE WORD OF GOD

AFTER WEDDING THE COUPLE SLEEP ON THE TALLITH FOR EVIDENCE OF GIRLS PURITY – HUSBAND THEN SHOUTS TETELESTAI “IT IS OVER- SHE IS PURE”
‘TETELESTAI – IT IS FINISHED’

• TILL THEN WORRIED & FRIGHTENED WIFE & HER FAMILY REJOICE THAT SHE HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AS PURE BY HER HUSBAND.

• WIFE THEN GLOWS WITH DIGNITY RECEIVED.

• CHURCH SIMILARLY PREPARED BY HOLY SPIRIT AND ACCEPTED BY JESUS CHRIST AS A GIFT FROM FATHER GOD.

• JESUS SPIPPLED ‘HIS’ BLOOD & DECLARES TRUSTING CHURCH AS PURE. ‘TETELESTAI!’

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