

YESHUA IS GREATER THAN ALL SAGES OR RABBIS OR TORAH TEACHERS

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Yeshua is our living, Master Teacher, the Almighty Himself, interacting with us to teach us the spirit and intent and full application of Torah! His Sermon on the Mount was the beginning of that.

Yeshua, being God Himself come in the flesh, knows all things past, present, and future. He knows the end from the beginning and the beginning from the end (Isaiah 46:10). So He knew the whole Oral Law inside and out before and after it was written. He knows all the sages words ever spoken or written from the beginning of time to the end of time.

Yes, we cannot separate Yeshua from his Jewishness. He is HaShem Himself come in the flesh who designed the Jewish culture—who created the nation of Israel through His mighty arm and outstretched hand. The Torah is His Word. The Jewish culture is His idea. If we deny that Yeshua was and is Jewish, we do not fully know Him.

No Rabbi or Sage or Pastor nor their words can ever rival Yeshua and His Words. Yeshua's Words are Life and Power—Life-changing power. He is the very Word that brought the world into existence, and that spoke the Torah from the Holy Mountain. His Words healed the sick and raised the dead. His Words are raising us up to new Life in Him.

Every Word He spoke was straight from the Father and was carefully spoken in obedience to the Father. He did not copy men's words. He spoke Life and Truth and Power! (See John 12:49) His Life-empowering Words are the Foundation—the Rock we must build everything upon. (See Matt. 7:24-25.)

When the sages and Rabbis of the day heard Him speak, they marveled and were astounded and even silenced. It was said by their officers, “Never has *anyone* spoken like this man” (John 7:46 TLV). Notice they didn't say, “His teachings are a lot like our well-loved and honored Rabbi or Sage so and so's.”

Every Word that proceeds out of His mouth does not return empty but accomplishes the purpose for which He sent it. (See Isaiah 55:11.)

For the Word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword ... able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart (Heb. 4:12 TLV).

Yeshua and the Father are one. He is Emanuel, the Almighty Himself come in the flesh, so these Scriptures include every Word that proceeds out of Yeshua's mouth, too.

Other men's words cannot be equal to Yeshua's Words: He said, “*Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My Words shall not pass away*” (Matt. 24:35). The same cannot be said about the Sages' or Rabbis' or any Believer's words, unless they are quoting Scripture. I'm sure we all would agree on this.