**L’Chaim Group Agenda**

**Beth Shechinah**

*Wearing the Habit of Humility*

*Phil 2:1 - 11*

Dec 28 – Jan 3

**Welcome (Icebreaker Options – choose one)**

* For what are you thankful?
* What is your most memorable event in life and why?
* Share the most meaningful scripture to you and why?
* How would your life be different if you knew Yeshua was returning in June, 2015?
* Who is the most interesting person you have met?
* What is a spiritual experience you have had recently?
* What has happened to you this week that you would like to share with the rest of the group?

**Mission Statement:** We focus on three things: connecting with Yeshua, connecting with one another, and serving our world. This group does not exist for us. Someone invited you, now it is your turn to invite others.

**Worship:**

Have times in worship where your small group members, one by one, speak out:

Lead members in a time of testimony. Have them share one of the following:

* Their answered prayers during the week
* One or two special things God did for them this week
* The thing about Yeshua that make them follow him
* One attribute of God that was demonstrated to them this week
* Or finish the sentence: “Lord I thank you for…”
* song **Praise Adonai**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yh9VVdfyNLk>

* song **Hosanna**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NoM0AT8fBvs>

**Word (Discussion Questions):**

* **Read** Phil 2:1 – 11
* The main idea of Joshua’s message was that: “to restore unity we need humility. To have humility we need an example. The best example of humility is the Messiah.”
* Verse 1 mentions four realities of our experience with Yeshua. What are they? Share how they are a part of your experience as a Messianic believer.
* From what you've read in this section, how would you define true humility? How can we develop a humble disposition toward God and toward one another? (cf. 1 Pet 5:5 – 7)
* What does Paul exhort the Philippian believers not to do? Cf., Phil 2:3. How does the expression of sin disrupt unity?
* In positive terms, how are the Philippians to treat one another? Cf., Phil 2:3
* Look at verses 6-11 and Paul's picture of what Yeshua did when He came to earth. What are the steps He took to descend into humility? How does His descent into humility contrast with satna’s grasping at glory (cf. Isa 14:13 – 13) How is He this the best example of humility? What steps can we take to ensure we are not grasping at what is not rightfully ours and relinquishing what is rightfully ours?
* Since we have the love of God, mind of the Messiah, and fellowship with the Spirit how can we walk in humility and unity
* Spend some time praying for each other that the Lord would give you the ability to discern truth from error and to keep from from deceptive philosophies, traditions and worldliness. .

**Works** (**Edification**): Break up into small groups and minister to each other based on what was shared in the Word portion.

**Witness:** Pray through your ***oikos.*** If you haven’t created an *oikos* list yet, spend the remainder of the time doing that. And if time remains pray through it