

Generic Brand Ministries (Ministry Outside The Box!)

Shama' Groups

Shama' (Shaw-mah') is Hebrew for "Hear and Obey". One of the goals of these Groups is then, to not just come and have fun and study. But, to put the session subject into each Group Members heart and then for them to take it to the street (apply it to their lives).

Another word that has some special meanings connected with the idea of **Shama' Groups** is **Synago**.

Synago (syn-AH-go) is Greek for "come together." So this Shama' Group is about coming together for fellowship, worship, sharing, praying, studying and then living it out each day in your life. Synago is the root word for "Synagogue" also.

Synago can also be translated "to take in." One of the purposes of the Shama' Group is to reach out and invite others. That are not a part of a church and who don't have a relationship with Yahweh / Yahshua (GOD - LORD / Jesus). They may also be those that are seeking or perhaps struggling with faith, or those just wanting to grow spiritually to the next level. The Shama' Group takes in and loves one another.

Synago is also the root word of synergy, where the coming together of individual parts makes something even greater. When the Shama' Group flows as one with many parts (gifts of each Group Member) then the Kingdom of Yahweh / Yahshua, the Shama' Group and its Members reach their Divine Destiny.

The **Shama' Groups** are about Seeking Truth for Truth's sake and the Restoration of All Things of The Kingdom.

The Scriptural Foundation for Shama' Groups

Yahshua said it...“For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.”
Matit'yah (Matthew) 18:20

- Although Yahshua taught in the “Synagogue”, most of His ministry was outside of a “Synagogue” (religious) building of any kind. In other words, He was not contained by the walls of a building or man made religious organization / system. The Kingdom is wherever Yahshua is, to be effective Kingdom Members we must be sensitive to the presence of the King – Messiah, wherever He is! Remember, The Father (Yahweh) only directed that one Building be built and Solomon built it.

Yahshua did it...“Yahshua went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. He appointed twelve-designating them apostles-that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.” Mark 3:13-15

- Yahshua had many followers and he taught the multitudes however, when it came to in-depth teaching and sharing that required understanding on the part of the student, He called The **12** together, a small group, a **Shama' Group**.

So did the first Believers in Messiah. ...“All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had needs. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” Acts 2:44-47

- Are you tired of not utilizing your gifts and seeing hollow ministry go forth? Why do we read in Scripture of Deep Kingdom impact among the unsaved and are not currently witness of it in the “Church” of today? The answer is simple, the “Church” has **Lost** its way and no longer in **One Accord**. Unity is a **Kingdom Principle** that was understood and active during the First Century as witnessed in this Scripture. Usually we lack unity in the same Congregations, much less across the Body of the Messiah. * These Shama' Groups provide a platform whereby we can once again begin to walk in one accord.

And there is more...“To the Jews who had believed him, Yahshua said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’” Yochanan (John) 8:31-32

- The Truth will set you free. Such an easy concept, yet it has been so hard to walk out. Scripture tells us plainly that it is **Truth**, not tradition that sets us free. What happens when Truth contradicts our traditions? You have to make a choice. Will you walk in tradition or be set free?

...“Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” James 5:16

- Nowhere does the Scripture above say the prayers of everyone are powerful and effective, only the Prayer of the Righteous.

...“We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of Yahweh, but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.” 1 Thessalonians 2:8

- Relationship is the bases of all things. It is the bases for Teaching, Learning, Seeking the Truth, Revelation, Redemption, and Restoration and for Unity with each other and with our Creator.