

FAITH WALK
The lifestyle of overcoming
WHAT IS REAL SCRIPTURAL FAITH?

I will begin by giving an example of what Scripture-based faith IS NOT!
My youngest daughter worked for a prestigious hotel in the mid-cities between Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, near the airport. There are two production studios of the two major Christian television networks headquartered in this area – TBN and Daystar. When interviewing important people, these two networks, especially Daystar, would put their important people in the hotel she worked for. She told me about meeting all sorts of prominent musicians and preachers and evangelists and authors in the Christian world. She told me that most of the Christian musicians who stayed there were so “stuck on themselves” that their arrogance and demanding was disgusting. Besides working customer service, she had the task of driving some of these people to the Daystar production studio in the hotel van. One day, two ladies who were going to be interviewed needed her to take them to Daystar. My daughter said that all the way there they were shouting “faith confessions”, telling “God” what He was going to do for them. At one point, they each rolled down their windows in the van and yelled out the window, over and over: “Money come, money come, money come”, swinging their arms in a “come to me” action. She got a good look at the plastic, phony Christian world of big names. I was in that world long enough to see how empty and shallow the “ministry” really is--how greedy, jealous and competitive, cruel and selfish it is. Most have their own personal agendas to fulfill their own selfish ambitions for money, fame and glory in the limelight. It is a world of Hollywood religious illusion. This is radically opposite of the Truth that Messiah Yahushua, the Jewish Messiah, left us at His ascension.

Today the modern “name it and claim it” movement, nicely called the “word of faith” movement, is no more than a return to Greco/Roman culture where the people’s minds are centered on what they can get for themselves out of “God”, no matter how they get it. The Greeks exalted their orators and philosophers, paying them much money, and their audiences lauded them with exaltation. The church system that we have today is from 4th century Rome. It is NOT what the Jewish Messiah left to His people. Expecting Elohim (God) to do what we say is a type of “hyper-faith” that has no relationship to Him, and puts our faith in our own faith. As with all Luciferic system, the religious system centers on “self”. The Elohim of the Bible centers on covenant relationship with Him – the King of an eternal Kingdom. By submitting to being His “bond slaves” – in training for reigning in His earthly Kingdom – we develop a child-like relationship to Him as our Father, and our Master. He is Elohim – we are not!

Matthew 18:1-4: **"At that time, the disciples came to Yahushua (*His Name means: I Am Salvation*), saying, 'Who, then, is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven'? And Yahushua called a little child to Him, set him in their midst, and said, 'Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become as little children, you shall by no means enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. Whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven.'" (Italics mine)** This is a powerful statement – that only those with a pure heart, who trust Him simply as a little child trusts a Daddy they love, will be able to enter His Kingdom. Such a loving, gentle, kind child – pure of heart and innocent of spirit – will obey Daddy because they love Him so much. This purity causes Daddy to take notice, and set that child apart for special attention. He will not let such a precious child be harmed by His enemies – so He marks that child for protection. Only the humble, contrite, submissive and pure in spirit (no hidden agendas, no selfish ambitions) will enter into His Kingdom.

[Note: The Kingdom of Heaven is the Kingdom of Yahuweh the Father, which not only rules over the realm of His domain, and the planets and stars, but also rules over the affairs of man on earth. Those in covenant relationship with Him are humbly law-abiding citizens in His Kingdom, submitting to and obeying His right-rulings for life on earth, found in the first five books of the Bible, called the Torah. The word "Torah" means: Teachings and Instructions. They are the principles that the Creator has set aside for man to follow for His utmost good. The word "Tenach" is an acronym for Torah, Prophets and Writings – miscalled the "Old Testament by the pagans who do not keep His Teachings.]

James (Ja'cob) 2:5: **"Listen my beloved brothers: Has Elohim not CHOSEN the poor of this world, RICH IN FAITH and HEIRS OF THE KINGDOM, which He promised to those who love Him?"**.

In Zephaniah 3:12-13, in the Kingdom He leaves a remnant of poor people, because they trust in His Name. They are righteous. They speak "no falsehood" --deceit is not found in their mouths. The Hebrews word for "poor", means a humble people, a contrite meek people – people who live a simple life and are content. They are not beggars. Compare this with the characteristics of the 144,000 Bridal remnant of Revelation 14:5 – they are the same. This description of "the meek", who inherit the earth, is totally opposite of the characteristics of the modern Christian church of America! The true believers in Yahushua are "child-like" – humble, gentle, kind, submissive, with a joyful servant's heart.

Do you see how opposite the teachings of Messiah are from the typical attitudes of the "Christian ministry"? Many "mega-churches" have 15,000 members or more--with multi-million-dollar budgets, massive building programs, and social programs for every age-group? These things are so out-of-touch with the King and His Kingdom that

it is sad, pathetic and tragic. So many church leaders are trying to build their own kingdoms on earth, but Messiah said to Pilate just before He was nailed to the stake: **“My Kingdom is not of this world”** (John 18:36).

Very soon He will come to establish His Kingdom on earth, but His true set-apart ones, like little children, now must trust Him completely to see them through the transition time between the earthly reign of the kingdom of Satan and the earthly reign of the Kingdom of Yahuweh.

Truly the congregation at Laodoea is alive and well! Revelation 3:14-22: **“So because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am going to vomit you out of My mouth. Because you say, ‘I am rich...and need nothing at all’ and do not know that you are wretched and pitiable, and poor, and blind and naked, I advise you...”** He then tells them how to get out of this judgment and how to overcome through the evil days ahead.

So many elements of the Christian ministry and church system are based on Greco/Roman practices and philosophies. The American Christian world is a world of hero-worship. Pastors and so often have tremendous control over their churches-- which Yahuweh hates. Compare this with the instructions given for the assemblies in I Corinthians 14:26, where everyone is allowed to participate. You might say, “Yes, but we have such large congregations now so we need big buildings”. Yes, there are big congregations, flocking to hear the latest promise of getting wealth and happiness. The early assemblies taught obedience to Yahuweh’s Torah and how to suffer for Messiah, so their groups were not large. In the north of China, those risking their lives for their faith, have congregations as large as 2,000 members. They meet in caves, in forests, often divided up into homes, so that the secret police don’t catch them and kill them. Oftentimes, they have one or two Bibles at most.

In the modern church of the “free” world--the Greek/Roman hierarchal system – we find a “papal” system – a fragmented Catholicism, in which each church, organization, denomination or group has its own “pope”. It is an amazing phenomenon that the biggest leaders of American Christianity today have re-united with the Vatican, even denying the “Protestant Reformation”.

But, bottom line: “The church” is a world of BIG BUSINESS. It is pictured in the Scriptures as a “whore” system – unfaithful to the Elohim of the Bible. Yahushua did not start this – the Greeks did. Yahuweh did not start Rabbinical Judaism – Rabbi Akiva did in the second century. Seek the roots of your alliances!

Yes, it is a fact that American Christianity is a billion-dollar-a-day BUSINESS. People on the mainstream Christian networks touting their books, videos, seminars,

conferences, DVD's, and on and on, are raking in billions off of Christian people, and most of what they teach is contrary to the Scriptures, and contrary to the nature of Yahuweh--the Elohim of Israel – and His Messiah, Yahushua. The selling of His Truth for money is the same as what Simon Magnus tried to do in Acts 8 – buy the power of the Spirit of Elohim – to use Yahuweh's Spirit to get him money. The result of these things is great deception that leads to damnation. **“Living by faith” does NOT mean begging for money – using the excuse that it is for “God’s work”!** Yet, “God’s work”, for the most part, in the modern Big Business world of Christianity, or the Messianic movement, is not even closely related to what Yahushua's disciples understood to be the work of Elohim.

TBN, Daystar, God TV, all of these have “telethons” where they plead (beg) for money to do “God’s work”. **This is not living by faith – this is living by begging!** Yes, He uses people to give to His work in one form or the other – food, lodging, clothes, Bibles, and yes, money.

But be careful! Don't give to a ministry if their message is on a false foundation-- if they preach part of the Bible but not the “whole council” of His Word--preaching things that use a few verses in the Bible, but things that do not hold up under investigation of the whole Bible.

But, the true servant of Yahuweh does not look to man for his needs – He only looks to the Master, knowing the Master will take care of everything. It is the Master who must inspire people to give to His work. True servants do not ask for money or for anything else – they do not presume on others to take care of them. True servants have laid down their lives for His work, and do what is necessary to advance what is His – not promote themselves.

The tragedy is that oftentimes those who are Yahuweh's people take their money and give to the rich preachers, the big churches, and do not obey the Word that says we are to give to the poor, the widow, the orphan, the stranger and the true servant who has forsaken all to follow Him.

Those who are constantly looking for a free hand-out, manipulating people by their sad looks, asking for money – these are not His true servants. They don't know Him. He is a very good Master. But, so few know how to trust Him, so they look to man, as the world does. Because the money world gives to the money world, many times, evangelists and pastors in Third World nations often go without basic needs for them and their families, because those who have money are giving to the rich. This is tragic! Proverbs 22:16: **“One oppresses the poor to increase his wealth. Another GIVES TO THE RICH, only to come to poverty”.**

This describes the wealthy church of America. I know for a fact, that most of the big ministries have agents who go ahead of their conventions to make sure they will get a certain amount of money--OR the big named preacher won't come. They manipulate through TV, through their magazines, newsletters, and radio broadcasts to get people to send in money if they want their miracle. The poor that give out of their own needs send in money to get their miracle, and often it is their food money. Then there are those who work hard and have goods, but send in money to these TV beggars, to spread a "gospel" that is totally opposite of the Good News of the Kingdom of Messiah Yahushua. I give to ministries like the Voice of the Martyrs, and like Exobus (who are helping Jews get out of Russia), and sound agencies in Israel who are helping the poor -- like the Christian Friends of Israel.

The true servants are not receiving what they need because His people are too engrained in their world of getting, getting, getting. The "giving to give" philosophy touted by the rich money-grabbers, is no more than a scam to manipulate people out of their money.

Most of the rich preachers spread the message that if you give to THEIR MINISTRY, you'll get rich like them. But, the Father knows who is the true servant, and He has ways of blessing the true servant that those in the "free world" have no concept of. I can personally attest to this with a big AMEN!

It is a fact that most of the spreading of the true Good News of Messiah has always been done by people who were poor in this world's goods. The poor of this world are willing to forsake all to follow Him. The rich fear losing their idols, so very few forsake anything. (See Luke 14:33)

Some of the greatest evangelists in the Third World often live on a couple of bowls of rice a day. Their disciples are taught Kingdom principles -- that everything they are and everything they have belongs to the Kingdom of Yahuweh -- so they share what they have, and live a first century type lifestyle! These people are so happy! I've been privileged to work with some of these true disciples in Africa and Asia.

Yet, with all the "get happy" teaching being preached in mega-churches today, very few are happy. Most are enslaved to debt incurred in their pursuit of happiness. The eleven-year old son of an Indian pastor that I knew was drowned in a raging river. The pastor went to where his son was last seen, preached to the fishermen there, many were born of the Spirit as they received Messiah as their Savior. This pastor began a church there, and began to disciple these fishermen to go out and spread the Good News of Messiah. This is the attitude of those who REALLY WALK BY FAITH! This is

a typical thing for believers who lose loved ones in Africa and India, Asia, and other Third World areas. They use the funeral as a means of spreading the Good News of the Savior.

The rich church of the West is indeed the Laodicean assembly of Revelation 3:14-22. But, it is also the assembly of Sardis, Revelation 3:1-6, who is in danger of having their name removed from His Book of Life. They appear to be alive and vibrant – but they are spiritually dead – the church of illusion.

The teachings of the whore system are little more than Greek and Roman philosophy, steeped in worldliness, with even occult and mystic overtones. Most is against the very nature of the Savior, His Apostles and the early believers who obeyed the Father's Instructions and Teachings (Torah) of His Kingdom of Heaven. They teach a lawless belief-system--one that is self-centered. They are false prophets. The Word has much to say about these preachers in the last days – and all of the references call them false prophets and wicked. (The book of Jude and Ezekiel 13 are examples) They are making merchandise of the Word of Elohim--using His Words, as they pick and choose, to back their beliefs – to prove their sermons. Yahuweh will judge this strongly!

They have played into the hands of Lucifer (the god of this world) who is Satan masked as an angel of light, beautiful to the eye, and filled with spiritual death. It is a system that is fast coming into the philosophy of the New Age Movement, and is totally disconnected to anything that the Messiah, Yahushua, of Israel brought to this earth to teach us. In fact, most of the biggest names in Christianity and in the Messianic Movement are tied in to the Vatican, in unity with Rome once again. Many have made a pact with the Vatican. These alliances are surfacing and they are shocking.

Their books, tapes, videos, and teachings on the second coming of Messiah, are generally fiction and fantasy and have nothing to do with what is going to really happen. They are entertaining, but underneath are deceiving people into thinking they will escape what the Scriptures say all will go through before He comes. Their fantasies are against His Word and His nature, because they do not know the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They are creating gods in their image. They are not preparing anyone for what the Scriptures teach will happen. This is very serious. The curses of the Word against anyone adding to or taking away from the book of Revelation (Revelation 22:18-19) don't scare them--in fact they just add and take away from His Word to make multi-millions on their films. There is no fear of Yahuweh. So many people today are seeking teachers who will tell them what they want to hear (II Timothy 4:2-5). Thousands come to hear a philosophical message that soothes them.

Yet, it is estimated that approximately EVERY NINE SECONDS one of the faithful

brothers and sisters who have given their lives to Messiah Yahushua as their Savior are being killed for their faith in our Savior. "Proclaim the Word! Be urgent in season and out of season. Reprove, warn, appeal with all patience and teaching. For there shall be a time when they shall not bear sound teaching, but according to their own desires, they shall heap up for themselves teachers, tickling the ear, and they shall indeed turn from the truth and be turned aside to myths".

Who will enter the Kingdom? Matthew 7:21-23: **"Not everyone who says to me `Lord, Lord', shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he who is doing the desire of My Father in Heaven. Many shall say to me in that day (*day of His wrath and His return*) `Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your Name, and cast out demons in Your Name, and done many mighty works in Your Name?' And then I shall declare to them, `I never knew you, depart from Me, you who work lawlessness'"**. (Italics mine) **"Sin is the transgression of the Torah"** – the Kingdom "Law" of Yahuweh – I John 3:4. The foundation of the religion of Christianity goes back to Nimrod's Babylonian religion, (Genesis 10-11), which taught lawlessness against the Kingdom of Yahuweh – in defiance of Yahuweh. Therefore, Yahushua, did not come to start a new religion--He came to restore His people back into covenant relationship with Him, as the "Kinsman Redeemer". He is calling a set-apart people back to Himself through His blood – a people who will honor His Torah, guard it, observe it, love it, and proclaim it – for it is the will of our Creator.

There are now more martyrs in the last 100 years than in all the years of the past history of the believers. These people know what it is like to leave family, and some leave congregations behind them, to die horribly for their faith. Read the book of Acts – compare that with today. The martyrs will rule and reign with Him. These who play games with religion for personal gain, are marked for eternal separation from Father. (Compare Revelation 20:6 with Matthew 7:13-23)

I Peter 1:3-8: **"Blessed be the Elohim and Father of our Master Yahushua Messiah, who according to His great compassion has caused us to be born again to a living expectation through the resurrection of Yahushua Messiah from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and unfading, having been kept in the heavens for you, who are PROTECTED BY THE POWER OF ELOHIM THROUGH FAITH, for a deliverance ready to be revealed in the last time--in which you exult, even though for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by manifold trials, in order that the PROVING OF YOUR FAITH – MUCH MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD THAT PERISHES, AND PROVEN IN THE FIRE – might be found to result in praise and respect and esteem at the revelation of Yahushua Messiah, whom having not seen you love; in whom you exalt with unspeakable and esteemed joy, yet not seeing but believing"**.

This is so powerful! We must keep our eyes on eternity, or else how can we go through the trials to come, which are allowed by our good Father to PROVE OUR FAITH. Our faith will result in actions of obedience, and secure for us an eternal reward! Through suffering for Him, we are freed from sin, so that we might live only to Him (I Peter 4:1-2). Carefully and prayerfully read I Peter chapters 4 and 5 – giving instructions for suffering correctly.

The martyrs who **“love not their lives even to death”** (Revelation 12:11), are the faithful ones who endure to the end – these are those who walk in the real “word of faith”. **Real faith will lead us to lay down our lives for what we believe!** If you are not willing to die for what you believe, then your beliefs are useless fakery, empty illusion! I began this article to tell you what faith IS NOT. I want you to see the stark difference between what religion calls “faith” and what Scriptural faith is all about. If you are hanging onto this whore religious system for any reason, I warn you – it will be destroyed. This whore system rides the political and economic beast – playing up to both. This is very obvious in America Christianity. So, who will Yahuweh allow to destroy it? – Read Revelation 17:16-17: The world economic system of ten regions, whom the United Nations calls even now: “The Ten Kingdoms”.

Jude 1:3: **“Beloved ones, making all haste to write to you concerning our common (salvation that Jude had in common with other believers) salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you urging you to earnestly contend for the faith, which was once for all delivered to the set-apart ones”.** (Italics mine)

When was this faith, “once for all delivered” to His set-apart ones? According to Hebrews 4:2, the “Good News” was preached to the Israelites (all the tribes of Jacob that came out of Egypt) in the wilderness. What is this “Good News?” It is the Good News of rest through Messiah. Weekly Shabbat rest is a picture of what we can have now as we await His coming and His Kingdom. All who died in faith before Messiah came looked forward to Messiah’s Kingdom on earth by faith. (Hebrews 11) “Shabbat” means the “seventh day”, and is the day that Yahuweh says to worship Him. This is an eternal decree. In eternity future, we will guard each seventh day to worship Him (Isaiah 66:22-23). Messiah’s Kingdom comes in the 7,000th year from creation (which we are in now). Therefore, Shabbat (Sabbath) is a picture each week of the rest of the Kingdom of Messiah. This IS THE “GOOD NEWS OF THE KINGDOM” that Messiah and His Apostles taught (Matthew 24:14) – REST FROM THE BURDEN OF SIN. Read Hebrews 3 and 4 in context – the Good News of the Kingdom was given at Sinai. It is the good “law” – Torah – right rulings of the Kingdom of heaven, so that we can have happiness and rest and His good life on this earth. We look for the Kingdom to come on earth! The King will rule from Jerusalem (Isaiah 2:2-3 as an example).

The whole Word it has been discovered (finally) was written in Hebrew. It was written to the twelve tribes of Jacob. It is ONE text – one covenant to one people, in ONE Land. It is not “catholic” – universal – it is localized and all the Word centers on ONE plan of deliverance (salvation). If anyone who is outside of the covenant of Israel, like Ruth was, wants to participate in the Kingdom, they are invited, as they always were, through the blood of the Lamb. (Exodus 12:48-49)

The set-apart remnant that is alive and remaining at His coming believe in Messiah Yahushua, and also guard His Torah. (Revelation 12:17; 14:12; 22:14) Messiah did not come to start anything “new” as opposed to something “old”. The word “new” in Jeremiah 31:31, regarding His covenant in His blood that He would make with the House of Israel (northern 10 tribes of Jacob) and the House of Judah (southern 3 tribes of Jacob) is a word that means to “renew” – as the moon is renewed each month. We say there is a “new moon” – but it is as “old as the hills”. He renewed the Father’s covenant – Yahuweh’s gospel.

FIRST AND FOREMOST: OUR FAITH MUST BE ROOTED IN THE TRUTH OF THE WHOLE WORD AS TAUGHT BY THE SPIRIT OF YAHUWEH --NOT IN FRAGMENTS OF THE WORD GIVEN TO SUPPORT SOME GROUP’S THEOLOGY. GET YOUR FAITH FROM THE WORD, VIA THE SPIRIT OF YAHUWEH – HE IS THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH.

That means that YOU are going to have to shut out the world, get alone with Him, and study the Word with Him for yourself! (John 16:13; I John 2:27) **If you LOVE TRUTH, THERE IS ONLY ONE SOURCE OF PURE UNDILUTED TRUTH! ONLY THOSE WHO LOVE THE TRUTH SO MUCH THAT THEY SEEK IT FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE WORD WILL NOT BE DECEIVED.**

There is coming deception so strong that even the elect can be deceived. Those who fall for deception will be eternally damned – away from Yahushua’s Kingdom (Matthew 24:24; II Thessalonians 2) When a baby is born the baby has different kinds of muscles. But, they are baby muscles. These muscles have to be developed or the baby is crippled and can’t function. When we receive Messiah’s death and resurrection for us, we are born into the family of Elohim and have the responsibility of living in His covenant relationship and obeying His laws and right-rulings. We are given at that time “**the measure of faith**”. (Romans 12:4) As a baby has to develop its muscles, so we have to develop our faith muscle on a daily basis. Some babies grow up to be football players, some to be ballet dancers. These types of people usually are born with stronger muscles. But, all of us have basic muscles to do what average humans do. It is up to us to develop what we have been given.

Then, there is what is called the “**gift of faith**” that the Holy Spirit gives to some, when

they are baptized into Him by Yahushua (Luke 3:16). There are nine basic gifts to use to edify the congregation, listed in I Corinthians 12:1-13. The “gift of faith” is not given to everyone. This kind of faith comes and goes as He wills, to perform miracles. This special faith gift has come on me several times to do miracles, but I don’t live by this faith—I live by the faith that I developed from my new birth. When using the gift of faith—the power of the Spirit of Yahuweh --we must not allow our reasoning mind to disturb this power, for we will reason it away—it is for miracles that He expects us to do immediately. I have seen miracles by the use of this faith. I have also seen powerful deliverances from demons with the use of this faith, as in the “bush” of Tanzania. Father wants His children free of all the ability of the enemy.

Mark 5:22-24, 35-43: Messiah promises to heal a dying girl, but got side-tracked healing a woman. Then the word comes that the girl is dead. Messiah stops all unbelief and doubt instantly, and puts a stop to human reasoning, and then He goes and raises the girl from the dead. As soon as the servant comes to tell the father that his daughter is dead, Messiah says: **“Fear not—only believe”**. Fear stops faith! Negative reasoning stops faith! Stop stopping faith in your life!

Matthew 9:28-29: **“And when He came into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Yahushua said to them, ‘Do you believe that I am able to do this?’ They said to Him, ‘Yes, Master’. Then He touched their eyes, saying, ‘According to YOUR FAITH let it be to you’”. And their eyes were opened...”**

How do we have faith to receive anything? Romans 10:17: **“...faith comes by hearing—by hearing the Word of Elohim”**. Faith is an impartation (a gift) from the Spirit of Yahuweh. John 6:44: **“No one is able to come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him.”**

The Spirit of the Father must draw a person to desire salvation, by convicting them of their sin and their need of a Savior. We can’t be born from above anytime we want to. Friends, it is not a matter of being emotionally swayed—emotionally manipulated--by an evangelist, who calls you forward to pray a prayer. **Unless there is conviction of sin and repentance, and commitment to His covenant, then there is no salvation. Messiah Yahushua made it very difficult to follow Him—the requirements being nothing less than death to self! He said that unless we forsake ALL, we CANNOT be His disciple!** (Luke 14:25-33 for example)

We can only have faith to receive Him when He moves upon our spirit and puts that desire in us. It’s not a matter of accepting a religious belief-system, having a head-conversion—we cannot be “saved” without the interaction of the Ruach Yahuweh. In fact, in the true new birth, there are at least 26 things that He does for us as soon as we reach out in response to His calling us.

In I Corinthians 12:3, we read: “...no one is able to say that Yahushua is Master except by the Set-Apart Spirit”. We are born from above by His Spirit’s action in our spirit. So, faith for daily living, or for miracles, is a gift from Him. It’s not something we muster up in ourselves to believe something. Where do we get faith? As the Word says above, we get it from our prayerfully studying and meditating on the Word – letting Him speak to our eternal spirit as we read His Word!

How do I have so much faith? --Because my whole life is the Word and His Presence. He imparts faith to me as I read and study and am with Him in His Presence.

Romans 10:9-10 says that if we believe in Messiah, AND CONFESS OUR BELIEF IN HIM OUT LOUD--PUBLICLY, WE WILL BE “SAVED” from eternal death.

Romans 10:8: “The Word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart – that is, the Word of faith which we are proclaiming”. This is the true “word of faith”.

The proclamation and declaration of His Word out of our mouth has great power – if we are confident that it is His will. I John 5:14-15: “And this is the boldness (*confidence*) that we have in Him, that if we ask whatever according to His desire, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him”. (Italics mine) This type of boldness comes from knowing His Word, His thoughts, His ways, His will, and His nature. We “know” these things by spending time with Him alone, being taught by His Spirit. Your faith is in your mouth. What you really believe comes out of your mouth. (Read the whole chapter of Romans 10) What people talk about “locates them” as to what is in their heart. So many say they believe in the Savior, but you never hear them talk about Him.

I do a lot of prophetic proclamation and declaration of His Word in places that He sends me. In Ezekiel 36, the Father tells him to prophesy to the mountains of Israel, for example. On the top of the mountain above where Elijah lived in Tishbe (nor North Jordan), I called out “Yahuweh” three separate times, and after each time He answered me with a loud clap of thunder, which rolled across the sky. But, then part of my continual assignment wherever He sends me is to bring His Name into the earth. It is highly possible that His Name had not been spoken in that area since the time of Elijah.

When we are under His orders – on His assignment – we are representing Him on this earth. We are declaring His Word into the earth (Isaiah 55), so that He can bring it to pass. He uses His servants to open doors for Him on this earth that mankind gave to Lucifer in the Garden of Eden. He responds to His Word being spoken into the earth, when spoken boldly by His faithful servants! And as His Ambassadors, His representatives in this earth, He is the One who cares for us. He provides for us to do HIS WORK.

In Mark 5:25-34: This is the story of a woman who had a problem that caused her to hemorrhage for twelve years. She spent all her money on doctors and was no better. From the text, she knew Yahushua was the Messiah of Israel. She knew the prophecy in Malachi 4:2, that Messiah would have healing in His “wings” – that is the corners of His talit, or His tzitzi. In the original language, in verse 28, it says: “for she kept saying to herself, ‘If I only touch the corner of His garment, I shall be made well’”.

She was basing her faith on Malachi 4:2. When she touched His talit, or His tzitzi, power went out of Him, and she was immediately healed. There is a time when continual saying of His Word brings deliverance. But, the deliverance only comes in this regard out of the mouths of those who guard His commandments, and whose faith is in Him alone – not in their own chanting. The heathen chant to get what they want – “vain repetition”. But, in this lady’s continual repeating of His Word, her faith was built up, so that when she crawled through the streets to touch Him, she disregarded the very real possibility that she would have been stoned to death for being out in public, bleeding. She regarded the mercy and compassion of Yahuweh in Yahushua, more than the fear of being stoned. We must believe in His goodness and compassion, that He wants to help us. It appears that this woman had more relationship with Yahuweh than most “believers” today.

He gives me specific Scriptures when I especially need help – almost all of them are from the Psalms. But, HE IS THE ONE who guides what Scriptures I pray back to Him. I pray the Scriptures – I don’t chant them as in hocus pocus, and neither did this woman in Mark 5 – that is why she was healed. She literally pulled power out of Him – read this story.

In Luke 11:5-10: This is the story of a person who needed bread at midnight to feed a guest. They went to their friend, and their friend said: “Go away”. The person persisted, and finally the friend got up and gave him what he wanted. Then 9-10: “I say to you: ‘Ask and it shall be given to you, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you. For everyone who keeps on asking receives, and he who keeps on seeking finds, and he who keeps on knocking it shall be opened’”. There is a faith-principle here: That Father wants you to persist. He wants to see your passion for what you need. He wants to strengthen your faith by your exercising your faith. He wants to see how much you really need what you are asking for. It is a test. If you endure, and are patient, but keep on asking, seeking and knocking – you will get your answers! Too many people are wimpy – they don’t get their answers from Him within 2 days, so they give up.

He wants to build our strength of resolve. But, always remember, that in asking, seeking and knocking – it had better be His will or your knuckles will wear out.

He likes boldness, but only under the restraint of His Spirit (I John 5:14-15). So, this declaration, like the woman did to receive healing from Yahushua, has NO connection in the least to those who find Bible verses to chant and declare to get what they want out of “God”.

You must also realize that there are things that He knows are not good for us – so he won’t answer our prayers, for our own good. That is why I STRESS STRONGLY that before you pray for anything, you listen to Him in your spirit to see if it is something He wants you to pray for. Prayer should never be “hit and miss”. Prayer should be like an arrow going to the “bull’s eye”. Mostly prayer is to hear from Him. We must be careful not to bring Him our long list – and fill His ear with our requests. We must listen to what He says first and foremost!

His Word in the mouth of the pure of heart, who only seek His honor and glory, has great power! But, those who use prayer to get what they want, often fall into witchcraft prayers – which try to manipulate Him. This will incur great judgment from Him. Malachi 3:16-17 is about a different type of person: “Then shall those who fear Yahuweh speak to one another, and Yahuweh listens and hears, and a book of remembrance is written before Him of those who fear Yahuweh, and those who think upon His Name. ‘And they shall be Mine’ says Yahuweh of hosts, ‘on the day that I prepare a treasured possession. And I will spare them as a man spares his own son who serves him’”.

Here is a story giving faith principles that show what the Father is looking for in His set-apart ones. This is a personal story. When I related this in Saltillo, Mexico, there were people healed of all kinds of physical problems as I spoke. From age 10, I found that my limber joints made me fall, and put me in great pain, as my knees would turn out of place, my ankles, and the vertebrae in my back would move constantly out of place, pinching nerves and causing pain almost all the time. The limber joints are still causing me pain today, but He has performed “creative miracles” for me, or else I would not be walking.

Back in the late 1960’s, I saw people being healed, but I was not being healed. After a while, I grew bitter. Why didn’t He heal me? According to the X-rays my back had crumbled so bad that the chiropractors said I would be in a wheel chair before long – that was 1986. From about 1966, I would go to have people pray for me, and I would feel the power of Elohim go through me, yet I would go back to my seat and FEEL my left leg, which was totally numb from a pinched nerve in my lower back, from my teens. I would feel my numbed left leg, and my faith would be gone – and in bitterness I would say: “He has not healed me”. I would go into deep depression. This went on for a long time. I got more and more bitter because my pastor told me that the reason I was not healed was because “I had no faith”. This cruel statement

caused me to give up. I had faith in His power to do anything. But at that time, I had no concept of Scriptural faith. Scriptural faith is ROOTED IN HIS WORD!

Many people have “hope” – but it is not Scriptural hope – it is “wishing” that something will happen. Real hope helps us endure with patience until the promised reality comes. But, in receiving from Him, our faith must be totally in what He has personally put into our spirit is ours. Faith expects, because HE SAID...! -- Because He didn't just say it 2,000 years ago – He said it to you personally. Hope helps us wait for His timing. But, faith secures the reward.

In the ensuing years, I began to feed myself on faith-building Scriptures. The Bible is full of faith-building Scriptures! I stopped being bitter. In the meantime, He did some very spectacular miracles for me to keep me going. One day an evangelist (not a big name) came to our church, and there were so many miracles happening. On the last of the three nights she was there, she asked anyone who needed prayer to come forward. It had been years since I had anyone pray for me. But, in the meantime, I learned a principle that I will pass on to you. In using faith, our faith must be in His Word alone, and not in what we feel, we think, we see, we read or hear, in medicine, or what doctor the says, or in anything but what His Word says. (Yes, there are rare times, for His purposes, that He may send us to a doctor, but if we know Him, that is rare. My last doctor visit was 25 years ago, after I had my fourth baby.)

Back to my story: Before that night, I had been feeling my left leg to determine whether He had healed me or not. Because I said in my heart, “I am not healed”, I was not healed – my faith was based on feeling my leg. That night, I went forward. All the lady did was touch my forehead and say: “Be healed”. I went back to my seat and did NOT touch my left leg. I trusted that what He put into my heart for my healing happen. I trusted only His Word. All night at home, I kept feeling something like someone massaging my back. The next morning when I got up, I leaned over to pick up something from the floor. Then I froze in shock. I had no pain. Most of my life, it would take an hour or so for me to be able to bend over after I got up from bed. My circulatory system was not good.

My respiratory system was not good. I would panic if my head went under water, even in the shower. But, from that point on, I could jump off of a diving board into a swimming pool and do back-flips under the water. My youngest daughter's friends would cheer for me. Then later on, He performed the creative miracle and moved my left leg back into place, rotated my hips, so that I could walk straight. My friends who had known me before would gawk in amazement as I walked. That afternoon after He rotated my hips and straightened my leg, I was lying on my stomach with my legs straight out behind me for the first time in my life. My husband came home from work and saw me. He said: “What happened! Your legs are straight”. I could

even turn my feet out into a ballet position after that. Later He strengthened my left knee. To this day, my left leg is still numb! I believe He has allowed that to let me know that my faith does not rest on what my senses tell me, but on His goodness. I need to walk a lot to keep my muscles strong. Because of my limber back, I still have vertebrae that go out of place and give me pain. But I can walk, and every step I take is a praise to His goodness!

Messiah answers the disciples who question Him as to why they could not cast out this demon: "And Yahushua said to them, `Because of your unbelief, for truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you shall say to this mountain, "Move from here to there" and it shall move. AND NOTHING SHALL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU".

I pass on revelation of this to you, given by a brother today in Aqaba. He and his family left all in America to come to Aqaba with their three children, because Yahuweh's Spirit directed them to this part of the Middle East. Now, the Father is honoring their faith by doing the miraculous for them, to set them up for His work in this region. Our brother said that many preach that all we have to have is faith the size of the grain of mustard seed – just a little faith to do the impossible. But, this is not what is implied in Messiah's statement. The mustard seed grows into a large tree. Yet, the mustard seed is the tiniest of seeds. Therefore it has to have major, maximum, superior faith in order to go from something so tiny to something so huge.

He expects of us "great faith" – as the Roman officer had in Matthew 8:10. He wants us to develop our faith-muscles to their maximum capacity. Matthew 13:31-32: "Another parable He put before them, saying `The Kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field, which indeed is least of all the seeds, but when it is grown it is greater than the plants, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the heaven come and dwell in its branches'".

John 12:24: A seed has to die in order for it to break open and life to come from it. If we have faith like a mustard seed, we will obey His command to die to self, then we will open up, by His Spirit, and our faith will emerge like a mighty tree.

Galatians 5:24: "And those who are of Messiah HAVE crucified the flesh with its passions and desires". Romans 6: In the new birth, we died with Him, and were buried with Him, and raised to new life through Him, therefore, we are servants of righteousness, not of sin.

In the books of Acts, which I recommend you carefully and prayerfully read, you will see many miracles. These were done in response to faith. Acts 2:4-9, regarding the healing of a beggar at the Eastern Gate of the Temple: "A certain man, lame from birth...who, seeing Peter and John...asked alms. And Peter and John, looking

steadfastly at him, said: `Look on us...I do not have silver or gold, but what I do possess, this I give to you: In the NAME OF YAHUSHUA MESSIAH of Nazareth, rise up and walk'. And taking him by the right hand he lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones were made firm. And leaping up, he stood and walked and went in with them into the Set-Apart place, walking and leaping and praising Elohim". The man was ready to receive his miracle.

Acts 14:8-10: "And in Lystra there was sitting a certain man, disabled in his feet, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. This one heard Paul (*Sha'ul*) speaking, who, (*Sha'ul*), looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, `Stand upright on your feet!' And he sprang up and began to walk". (Italics mine)

If you have no foundation for your faith on His Word, you won't receive anything! There has to be expectation – a knowing that you know, that you know, that you know. That is what faith is all about – expecting that what He has placed in your spirit will come to pass! Wishing for something is not faith. Faith obtains! Many tell me that they "hope" "someday" to go to Israel. By that statement I know they won't go before Messiah comes. I taught piano for over 25 years. I heard some say: "I wish I could play the piano", but they never took lessons. **Real faith takes action and obtains!**

Faith is not a belief-system, but action based on what you actively believe! Without your mind being filled with expectation of His goodness, you will receive the devil's lies and doubt Him! In Psalm 78:21-22, they fell in the wilderness, because they did not trust His goodness to deliver them!

Here is another principle: Mark 2:11-12, Messiah heals a paralytic: "**I say to you, `rise, take up your bed, and go to your house'. And he straightway arose, and took up the bed, and went out before all, so that all were amazed and praised Elohim...**" His healing came because he obeyed. He was not healed before he acted and proceeded to get up! What if he had not obeyed? -- His dead bones would have eventually been found on his mat on the floor. ("Bed" in those days meant "mat".) He expects you to obey what He tells you to do, if He is going to favor you with His power. He doesn't blessing us, so that we can keep watching more TV, and buy bigger cars, boats and campers.

Faith is about receiving, yes, but it is more about trusting Someone you love on a daily basis, interacting daily with Him--leaning on Him for everything, allowing Him to change you into His image by His Spirit.

It takes strong faith to lay down your own will, your desires, your plans, your agenda,

your reasoning and let Him transform you. Romans 12:1-2 and II Corinthians 3:17-18: **“I call upon you, therefore, brothers, through the compassion of Elohim, to present your bodies a living sacrifice – set-apart, well-pleasing to Elohim – which is your reasonable service. And do not become conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you prove what is that good and well-pleasing and perfect desire of Elohim.”** **“Now Yahuweh is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of Yahuweh is, there is freedom. And we all, as with unveiled face, see as in a mirror, the glory of Yahuweh, and are transformed into the same likeness from glory to glory, as from Yahuweh, the Spirit.”** We died with Him, if we repented and received Messiah. (Romans 6) We are called upon to continually change by the power of the Ruach Yahuweh, into His image. **Faith means cooperating with the Spirit in this transformation process!**

Luke 10:19: **“Behold, I give you authority to trample on serpents and scorpions (symbols of demonic forces) and over all the ability of the enemy, and none at all shall hurt you”.** (Italics mine) This authority over the enemy’s (Satan/Lucifer/demonic spirits) abilities comes from relationship with Him. The disciples had left everything to follow Him. He passed on His authority to them. If we are going to overcome in these last days, we must know how to walk in His authority. But, He can only give us this authority IF He can trust us! Our authority level is dependent on our passed tests. You can’t go to college if you don’t pass the tests necessary to get out of High School.

Therefore, we have to submit to His training, His tests, and His disciplinary program (Hebrews 12) **Faith cooperates with His discipline! He wants to give us authority and power, but unless we submit to His discipline, He can’t!** Bible School might give you some foundation in knowledge of the Word, but it will not prepare you for living in the world of confrontation of good and evil. Only the Spirit of Yahuweh Himself can teach you those things. But, if you do not know how to walk in His power and authority, in the days ahead you will not be able to confront the demonic principalities and powers that Satan is sending against Yahuweh’s set-apart ones. (Daniel 7, Revelation 13) We are in a spiritual war that will get stronger and stronger and stronger. Study Ephesians 6:10-18 – His armor is the “garments of the High Priest” – Exodus 28. We fight not against flesh and blood, therefore **“the weapons of our warfare are not carnal”.** (II Corinthians 10:3-6)

Today the dead are being raised, and this gift of special faith is responsible for that kind of miracle. We are returning in many ways to the days of the Apostles. Those who walk in covenant obedience to Him can expect to be used by Him in miracles, as He wills. But, He uses the humble to perform His miracles, and He gets all the glory and honor. Beware of those fancy preachers that use miracles to razzle-dazzle people out of their money in big meetings and conventions. If the miracles are not of Him, it can become a circus sideshow, and the performer gets the glory – not Yahuweh.

I John 5:4: **“And this is the overcoming that has overcome the world – our faith”**. To have overcoming faith, you must have something to overcome. In the days ahead, there will be those who will overcome all the abilities of the enemy and his world ruler. It is the faith that comes from intimate relationship with Him through suffering and hardship and learning to trust Him in all situations. The overcoming faith is tested in the heat of battle against the enemy of our souls. As in I Peter chapter 1, there is a “trial” of our faith – a testing!

I Peter 4:1-2: **“Therefore, since Messiah suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, so that he no longer lives the rest of his time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but according to the desire of Elohim...So, then, those who suffer according to the desire of Elohim, should commit their lives to a trustworthy Creator, in doing good”**. If we belong to the Master, will suffer – the world will hate us. Suffering will be used to clearly reveal the tares among the wheat! **The tares will try to get out of suffering, and they will be burned up at Messiah’s return.** (Matthew 13) If ever His set-apart ones are tested to find out if their faith is real or fake, it is now. The days ahead will eliminate all the phonies, the hypocrites and fakes.

(Carefully and prayerfully read over Revelation chapters 1, 2 and 3). These contain promises to those who overcome. Without overcoming, you will submit to the rule of the world and be damned for eternity. In the days ahead our faith must be so strong that we will not doubt Him, but stand as they did in Acts 4 and 5 and consider it a privilege to suffer for the Name of Messiah Yahushua. The true set-apart ones will come to the surface and do exploits (Daniel 11), but those who are playing games with their belief-system will fall away.

The Voice of the Martyrs smuggled a lady out of North Vietnam. Her husband and other family members were still in prison for their faith. I’ll never forget what she said to us in that meeting. **She said that the persecuted believers of North Vietnam were NOT praying for Communism to come down – they were praying for the Holy Spirit to come down. She said that they feared lack of persecution – because then the believers would be caught up in something worse than prison, torture and death – the materialism of the West.** I have heard this out of persecuted believers in China – talking to them personally.

She went on to relate the most wonderful miracles that He did for them so that the Good News of the Savior could be brought to many villages under the nose of the Communist cadres. Matthew 10:34-39: **“Do not think I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to bring division, a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-**

law against her mother-in-law – and a man’s enemies are those of his own household”.

If you don’t get your faith from Him directly teaching you His Word and leading you in your development of faith, then you will not survive – for most of man’s teachings will not sustain you during persecution. Your pastor or rabbi or congregation leader is not going to help you when people are dying in the streets. You do not know if they even know Him.

Most people know Elohim like they know the Queen of England--from someone else’s biased reporting! I don’t want to know my Savior like that. I want to know Him from His own mouth, telling me about Himself! Since at least the early 1960’s, many of His people are running to one conference to another, to one seminar to another, to one meeting after another, to hear some big name. Then instead of glorifying Yahuweh, they so often report: “I heard so and so”, and go bragging about their seeing the big named minister. They exalt the man or woman instead of Yahuweh or Yahushua. This is IDOLATRY!

This is the kind of glorification the anti-messiah (Lucifer in flesh) will demand. For the most part, seeing signs and wonders do not produce lasting faith. Our faith must not be based on something we see, but in His Word! The children of Jacob saw Yahuweh open the Red Sea, and drown Pharaoh and His army – yet within a very short time, a few days, they wanted to go back to Egypt because they didn’t have water. The greatest miracle ever performed on earth took place before their eyes, and yet they forgot within a few days and began to not trust Yahuweh.

So many now are depending on seeing miracles, hearing prophecies, and getting the latest book from some big name, for their spiritual direction. So many so-called prophecies nowadays are no more than “fortune-telling”. People’s faith is not resting in His eternal Word, or in His nature, but in what some vague and unknown God will do for them.

In the wilderness journey of 40 years, they had the visible cloud and fire with them all the time – yet even with all these visible signs and wonders they doubted His goodness. They complained constantly. All sin stems from doubting His Word and not knowing His nature. And this leads to unbelief, which leads to spiritual death. Oh what a difference between real Scriptural faith, and what is called “faith” taught by modern religion!

Daily we must live by the faith – letting Him strength it by His discipline (Hebrews 12). If we do not develop it daily and strengthen ourselves in our faith in Him, trusting Him for everything, then our spiritual muscle is weak and flabby, and when we need to have

faith it won't see us through. We'll panic, rely on man to help, and many will fall away, as many are now, because they did not know how to guard their faith.

Hebrews 10:35-39: **"Do not, then, lose your boldness, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of Elohim, you receive the promise: 'For yet a little while, He who is coming shall come and shall not delay'. But, the righteous shall live by faith...."**

If we expect Him to come soon, we must live as if He were coming soon. So many say they have faith in the Creator, yet automatically run to man for help every time they have need. This is not living by faith. Wait for His instructions! Oftentimes, He will instruct you as to what to do, and save you a lot of time and money! He has shown me natural ways of healing, so that I did not have to spend money on man-made drugs, that so often now have side effects that are dangerous. Learn to wait on His instructions, before you jump out and do what is natural to your culture. Derek Prince said in his book, War in Heaven: "When your shoes need repair, you don't take them to a watchmaker. No, you take them to a shoemaker. When your body is in need of restoration, the logical place to take it is to the One who created it, the body-Maker". Practical!

Asa was the King of Judah. He was a good King, until he began to depend on foreign allies, who did not know Yahuweh, to win wars with him. Then he lost Yahuweh's favor and lost wars. Then he got a disease in his feet. He went to man for help, and got no help. He died. Read the conclusion in II Chronicles 16.

II Chronicles 16:9, in the midst of Asa's story we read this well-known verse: **"For the eyes of Yahuweh diligently search throughout all the earth, to show Himself strong in behalf of those whose heart is perfect towards Him..."**

I have to hear His instructions before I make any decisions that are guiding my day. When I first came to Jordan, I felt led to get a "yellow fever" shot at a clinic, because when going into Uganda, oftentimes they will want to see your international shot record, and if you don't have the "yellow fever" vaccine, they can pull you aside at immigration and give it to you – not necessarily with a clean needle. But, as I went to the clinic, the Spirit of Yahuweh impressed me also to get the typhoid vaccine (6 pills to be taken every other day, good for 10 years). I questioned that, but He continued to impress me, so I got the 6 pills.

When I got to Jordan, I visited a friend in her new apartment. I drank the water several times during several visits. She almost died of typhoid fever, because there was typhoid in her water. I stayed totally well. Father knew and He warned me. But, that's the only time in over 25 years that He has told me to go for medical help. The rest

of the time He shows me things to do to help myself, or inspires others to give me vitamins and minerals, Barley Green, and other such natural things. I do use colloidal silver, which is a wonderful healer. But, the bottom line, I seek His instructions before I do anything so that I can be assured of a good outcome.

I have ascertained that there are at least forty ways that the Ruach Yahuweh (Spirit of Yahuweh the Father) speaks to us. These are all Scriptural-based with precedent in the Word. I have experienced thirty-nine of these ways – a donkey has yet to speak to me (Numbers 22:30).

He's been talking to man since He talked to Adam in the Garden of Eden. But, He mainly speaks to us through the Word and through His impressions to our eternal spirit. It is through the soul (mind, will, emotions, reasoning) that we relate to the world around us by our five senses. But, the eternal spirit, which is centered in the "heart" or center of us, is where He speaks – for when we are born of His spirit (John 3), then He severs between the soul and the spirit (Hebrews 4:12) and the war begins between the desires of the flesh, and the desires that the Spirit of Yahuweh puts in our spirit.

We struggle with what He speaks into our spirit, because our rational mind wants to jump in with its thinking. This is what happened to Eve in the Garden. Lucifer manipulated doubt in her mind, which warred with the relationship she had with Yahuweh, and she gave in because of what she "saw", and what appealed to her senses – the tree of Lucifer looked so good! This is how Lucifer (Satan as an angel of light) tricks and traps believers – making them "see" what He wants them to see, to lure them, seduce them, beguile them away from Yahuweh's commandments to what "looks good" to the senses. The "pride of life" – the seat of the sin nature – is located in the soul-realm. Thus we must discipline ourselves to know Him through His Word and through obedience to what He puts into our spirit, so that we can follow Him. The Ruach Yahuweh began teaching me these principles since I was four years old. What I teach here, I have lived for 58 years.

Romans 8:14: **"For as many as are led by the Spirit of Elohim, these are the sons of Elohim"**. Galatians 5:16: **"Walk in the Spirit and you shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh"**. Faith lived and spoken by a humble servant of Yahuweh, who is tested and strong, is BOLD. **"The righteous are as bold as a lion"**... (Proverbs 28:1) When we know Him, He can put His Word in our mouth and trust us to speak for Him. We can then proclaim and declare His Word into the earth, come against the enemy, and overcome.

Yahuweh trusted Moses. He put His own authority into Moses' hands. He backed

Moses' commands, as long as Moses was faithful to only speak out what Yahuweh commanded him to speak. See Exodus 33: Moses had a very intimate relationship with Yahuweh that no one else had. Yahuweh appeared to Moses and spoke to him, but not to the others. This must cause us to fear. Because if He trusts us, and we presume upon Him, or take matters into our own hands, He gets angry and will judge us. The one time that Moses took it upon himself to act in his own authority – striking the rock instead of speaking to it, disobeying

Yahuweh's command – therefore, Yahuweh withdrew His authority, and Moses had to suffer the punishment of not being able to cross into the promised Land. The more authority He gives to us, the more of His trust He invests in us, the higher the price He expects us to pay in obedience!

Luke 12:47-48: "And that servant who knew His master's desire, and did not prepare, nor did according to His desire, shall be beaten with many stripes. But, he who did not know yet did what deserved flogging, shall be beaten with few stripes. And everyone to whom much is given, from him much shall be demanded. And to whom much has been entrusted, from him much more shall be asked".

This is serious. We have been given much knowledge of His Word, and what are we doing with it? Most of the ones who say they are His people, are speaking and doing things, in His Name, that He does not authorize. This is dangerous. People are speaking for Him, and telling others what He says – and He has not said it at all (see Ezekiel 13). There is great judgment coming on Christian leaders and so-called prophets, who say: "Thus says the Lord..." but they are talking out of their own heads. This is not faith – this is wickedness!

In Ephesians 6:10-18, we see the armor of Yahuweh – pictured in the garments of the High Priest (Exodus 28) – the garments of the Zadok Priesthood. In Ephesians 6:16 it says: "ABOVE ALL THINGS take the shield of faith, with which you shall have power to quench all the burning arrows of the wicked one". The Greek implies that the "arrows" are missiles sent by the enemy to attack our mind. It is faith that will stop the lies and deceptions and mental pictures that the enemy throws at us to make us fearful "scardy cats", doubting His ability to help us. The righteous, who are as bold as a lion, are bold because they know Him Hebrews 11:11: It is said of Sarah: "she judged Him faithful, Who had promised". After knowing Him since childhood, I judge Him faithful also. Can you say that, because of the tests, which have proved Him faithful to you personally? It has to be personal! You can know the Bible from stem to stern, but if you do not know Him personally in the times of trial, then how can you stand strong? Your intellect will fail. All your knowledge will cease to matter. The only thing that will matter is your personal relationship to Him. I know I am redundant – but so is He in His Word.

Deuteronomy 8:2-3: “And you shall remember that Yahuweh, your Elohim, led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness to humble you, to prove you, to know what is in your heart, whether you will guard His commands or not. And He humbled you, and let you suffer hunger, and fed you with manna...to make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of Yahuweh”.

RIGHT NOW He is testing, proving, humbling, and preparing a remnant people who will go through hunger, deprivation, persecution, and all sorts of things, and come out as OVERCOMERS, because they have allowed Him to test them. At each passed test, we raise our level of faith. At each passed test, we raise our level of authority. At each passed test, we raise our relationship with Him to higher levels! If you balk at tests, and do not pass them – then you will flunk. The flunkees will fall away in the days to come, and not be able to “endure to the end”.

Learn to live with less – and be content. It is not wrong to have things! IF WE UNDERSTAND that all we have is NOT ours – it all belongs to our Master! This teaching set me free! We own nothing – we are bond servants. In the West we cherish free enterprise and private ownership. But, in the Kingdom, the King owns everything. In a Democracy we vote for our leaders. In the Kingdom He chooses who He wants in His Kingdom! (John 15:16) He kicks out the lawless out of His Kingdom. In His Kingdom He rules by Torah.

In the story of the rich, young ruler, He was asking the man to give up his idolatry – his love of his possessions. He was not asking for the man to give up everything and become a pauper. He was giving Kingdom principle, that we own nothing – so “give to the poor, and come and follow Me”, Messiah told him.

Therefore, what we have we must use for His Kingdom or it is idolatry. (See Luke 18:18-30) The disciples had left everything to follow Him. But, Messiah reassures them that “in this life” they will be blessed with things they gave up.

I Timothy 6:7-8: “For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us therefore be content”. Carefully read Matthew 6 – where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. What is your priority? What you get done in a day is your priority. If His Kingdom is what is priority, then even your work at your job will be primarily to advance His Kingdom, not to buy a bigger house for your family of four.

Ephesians 4:28 is part of an address to “gentiles” who are NO LONGER gentiles, because they are in Messiah: “Let him who stole, steal no more, but rather let him labor working with his hands what is good, SO THAT HE HAS SOMETHING TO

SHARE WITH THOSE IN NEED". The Kingdom principle given in Torah is that those who plant gardens, or have fruit trees, after harvesting, should leave some fruit on the tree, some green beans on the vine, some grain in the field, and the like, so that the poor could come and "glean the fields". This is how Ruth met Boaz. In working jobs, remember that IF you use the money only for yourself and your family, all you work and accumulation of stuff will bring you no reward in the Kingdom.

But, if you remember that HE GAVE YOU the job, then also know that it is for you to use the money to advance His Kingdom! For it is idolatry to put anything above your obedience to Yahuweh! Matthew 6:24: "No one is able to serve two masters...you are not able to serve Elohim and mammon"--the god "money". Messiah said of the days to come: "For then there shall be great distress such as has not been since the begging of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And if those days were not shortened, NO FLESH would be saved..." (Matthew 24:21-22)

I suggest that you read the book, The Hiding Place, by Corrie Ten Boom, to see what life in a concentration camp is like. There are concentration camps all over America waiting for those who love Messiah and Yahuweh. She and her sister Betsy were taken to a concentration camp because she and her family hid Jews in their home. Their father died in a prison camp in Holland. Betsy died in a German concentration camp. Corrie lived to tell us what is ahead for you and me and what to expect. The normal human mind cannot even imagine what the Satanic mind of the world elite rulers and their servants have planned to do to His people. If people do not know Him by experience, then they will defect to Lucifer quickly. A belief-system gathered from listening to man's theology, will not get you through one day of the great tribulation to come!

Ask yourself where you got your beliefs from—from Him, or from a preacher or Internet teacher, or somebody's book or video. So many go by what sounds good to their reasoning, they do not check it out to see if it is true or not! He does not back what He did not originate! Walking according to the directives of the Spirit of Yahuweh is against the natural desires of the flesh (the senses, the will, mind's reasoning, emotional reasoning). But, to walk according to His directives, is to walk in Truth and freedom. Setting our hearts on the things above, and not on this world, frees us from the lures of this world to trap us (Colossians 3).

He wants to reveal His secrets—His "revelation knowledge" to us personally, as we study His Word—showing us things that few learn from man. Do you think the Apostle John was the last one to receive revelation knowledge?

Amos 3:7: "Surely Yahuweh will do NOTHING, unless He reveals His secrets unto His servants the prophets". He is still revealing His secrets to His faithful, humble, obedient servants who proclaim His Word!

One day I was reading Jeremiah, and was reading chapters 50 and 51. He began teaching me that it was America. I thought I had some new theology (smile). But, then I found that He had taught that to others – even to a man under house arrest in Mainland China, whom I visited in 1995.

Two days before Gulf War II officially began, on March 18, 2003, He led me to re-read Daniel 8. He gave me the whole scenario - for it speaks of Gulf War II until the time of anti-messiah – it is an outline of events happening right now. The next day, a man came to bring me pie from his wife. He told me that the Father had led him to read Daniel 8, the same day He asked me to read it. I asked him what the Father taught him. It was identical to what the Father's Spirit taught me. Isn't that more exciting than listening to some conference speaker and taking notes from him – like chewing gum someone else has already chewed?

The enemy is sometimes allowed to test us (as with Job – Job 1). Satan, or Lucifer, in the body of the world ruler to come will be allowed to test His set-apart ones for 3 ½ years. (Daniel 7:21, 25) Under too much pressure, your mind may even shut down. I know what this is like – the mind does that to protect itself when horror is too great. What you put into your eternal spirit is all that will see you through.

When I was dying of malaria in Tanzania in 1997, I lost the ability to think of my own name. Yet, I was able to preach 3 meetings, 2 hours each, while propped up in a chair (because I couldn't sit up), without even knowing my own name. Even when I was not preaching, out of my spirit were coming Bible verses that I listened to myself speak. How did I do that? I heard the Spirit's voice in my spirit giving me one-two sentences at a time. I spoke them out, then my translator translated. I preached strongly and passionately without break for 2 hours each time, because He was feeding me my lines, and also strengthening me with His passion! Do you want to know Him like that? Sometimes when I teach, He begins speaking in my spirit. I can hear Him, and continue teaching, then relate what He has said. There is a "mind of the spirit" in which He reasons His thoughts!

You can't really interact with Him as long as you try to figure things out when He tells you to do something. He begins your training by instructing you in small things. He might ask you to lead a Bible study in your home, or to go to a nearby country to witness to your faith, or something as simple as visiting an orphanage or a nursing home.

At one point, I was a pastor of a nursing home. I was a youth pastor. I've had an orphanage in Africa for years. I did evangelism and teaching in Africa for years. But, the life I live now began when I was a child – learning to trust Him, know Him, hear from Him, and serve Him. In 1966, after I graduated from college, He had me preaching on the streets of Los Angeles. While down on “skid row” in the worst part of Los Angeles at 2:00AM, there I was preaching to drunks, drug addicts, prostitutes, homosexuals, and gang members. I was nine month's pregnant with my first child. A gang surrounded me. The leader asked me: “Lady, what are you high on?” – meaning what drugs was I taking. I said: “I'm high on Jesus”. He just looked at me and said, “Wow, we've heard about that...tell us more”.

[NOTE: Oh how great His mercy has been to us! Now, because He has led me into deeper Truth, I know His real Name, and only use that, for I love Him too much to use a Greek name or Greek title for Him. But because I was pure of heart, and had no hidden agendas or selfish ambitions, He extended His power for me to use to help others find the Savior, and be healed, and delivered from demonic possession. If we are obedient to the Truth that He gives us, He will give us further Truth, and as long as we walk in it, He will give us further Truth – it is a faith-walk].

I've preached in downtown Los Angeles in rescue missions, ministering in detention homes, “half-way houses”, in jails and prisons, in hospitals, doing child-evangelism in parks, and preaching on the streets of Hollywood, ministering in hospitals, preaching in a “church on the street” to Hell's Angels and other gangs. Later I became close friends with ex-Hell's Angels who had come to faith in Messiah – even testing their voices for a choir filled with all kinds of “ex” this and that. It was a great joy to me to establish the curriculum to teach the “Old Testament” –the Tenach – in a Bible College in California, to ex-this and that, some who later became pastors and evangelists.

I was also a pianist and the Minister of Music in different churches, a College Bible teacher in Africa, and a teacher in many assemblies. In the ministry, I worked without established income. But, all of these things gave me valuable training for my future work in the Third World overseas.

But, I also worked many years in the secular world, from age sixteen: Taught music in schools, taught piano, organ and voice, and taught different levels of elementary and Middle School, and worked in different offices as a secretary, and in sales, and did whatever I could do while raising four children. Because of the discipline I learned in the secular world, today I get up early and spend 8-10 hours in the work of the Kingdom. Through these things, He taught me how to minister the “Good News”, healing, deliverance, and the baptism into the Holy Spirit. Living by faith doesn't mean we don't work and expect people to pay for our “ministry”. That is an

abomination to Him!

I was an evangelist from age 6. I began ministering in a Mexican church from the time I was 9 years old. From the 1960's He took me to do His work in Mexico and on the Navajo Indian Reservation. So, when I began doing work in Hong Kong, Macau, Mainland China and three nations of Africa, in Mongolia and Russia, Turkey and in different countries of Europe in the 1990's—until now—it led to finally His instructing me to go to Jordan and Israel, where I've been for 8 years.

It is a walk of one step at a time. If you obey Him and do the little things, He will increase you, as you are faithful. But, if you are lazy or too busy making money to serve Him, then He will leave you alone. He's looking for "bond slaves", whom He can train to reign with Him. Unfortunately for the "free" world's believers, the majority of those who will be in the Kingdom are from what we call Third World nations. They put Him first. In America, and other countries of the "free" world—a world that looks free but is really a world of slaves to debt and materialistic lusts—they put their jobs, their social life, their family, their houses and cars and hobbies, before their service to Yahuweh.

I tell you these things NOT to exalt myself, but to show you, as an example, how he leads—so that you can see that He takes us, if we are obedient, from one step to the next. We must begin in the small things—sharing our faith with our neighbors, for example. Eventually, by all this training, we end up in our designated ministry. We all have a ministry!

I was teaching a class to train pastors in a Bible College in Kisumu, Kenya. The Africans love church titles. But, I let the air out of their balloon. The word "minister" or "ministry", in Greek, is #1249 in the Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, is: "diakonos"—from which we get "deacon". It means: a waiter who serves tables, to run errands, an attendant, a servant, a doer of menial tasks, as a servant who scrubs floors.

The true "minister" in a "ministry" is a servant who is willing to scrub floors, and help the poor and needy, orphans and widows, and do menial tasks to bless others, as well as preach the word, and shepherd the people, pray for the sick, and other pastoral duties.

If you are not willing to do the menial tasks to bless others, He will not trust you to do the big things. We have to be humble servants if we want Him involved with us. In college, I worked cleaning bathrooms. Because I stuck with the job and did not complain, the maintenance department assigned me to clean the office of the Dean of Talbot Theological Seminary and his "work area". In his work area were the

documents of the translation of the New American Standard Bible, which I carefully cleaned around when the translators were out to lunch.

Faith hears, and obeys, hears and obeys. One step at a time, and we end up in His perfect will for us. If I had not been obedient to start ministering at age 6 and then age 9 in a Mexican Church, then to go to downtown Los Angeles to preach, and on and on, I would not have the life I have now in His service. I want the highest reward: Revelation 22:3-5, Revelation 3:12.

Meditate and pray over these verses: Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16, then read in context: "By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place, which he was about to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith, he sojourned in the land of promise as a stranger, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise, for he was looking for the city having foundation, whose builder and maker is Elohim. In faith all these died, not having received the promises, but seeing them from a distance, welcomed and embraced them, and confessed that they were aliens and strangers on earth. For those who speak this way make it clear that they seek a fatherland. And yet, if they had indeed kept remembering that place from which they had come out, they would have had a chance to return. But, now, they long for a better place--that is a heavenly place. Therefore Elohim is not ashamed to be called their Elohim, for He has prepared a city for them". (Revelation 21 – the city) Hebrews 13:14: "For we have no lasting city here, but we seek the one coming".

Where is your focus? Is your heart in eternity, or here on this earth? Where is the eternal city of your focus – the goal of your existence? What reward do you want from the Father? The highest rewards come at the highest prices! It will cost you everything if you want to be in His Kingdom!

Matthew 8:5-12: This is the story of a Roman officer – a Captain--who had a servant who became paralyzed and was in great pain. Messiah said He would come heal the servant. But, the Roman Captain said: "Master, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only say a word, and my servant shall be healed. For I too am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to the one 'Go' and he goes, and to another 'Come' and he comes, and to my servant 'Do this' and he does it. When Yahushua heard, He marveled and said to those who followed Him, 'Truly I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such great faith!

And I say to you that many shall come from east and west and sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the Kingdom of heaven. But, the sons of the Kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness – there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth'. And Yahushua said to the Captain: 'Go, and as you have believed, so let it be done

for you'. And the servant was healed that hour".

He went on from there to heal many and cast out demons. Then some came to Him saying "Master, we will follow you, BUT first..." You never say to the Master, "BUT FIRST..." If He is not first, He is not Master! Hudson Taylor, who left all to serve Him in China, once said: "IF HE IS NOT LORD OF ALL, HE IS NOT LORD AT ALL". This is the truth! If He is Master—we are servants. We do not command Him. He commands us!

Lazarus had died. Martha was reprimanding Yahushua for not being there to heal him. Yahushua went to raise Lazarus from the dead and Martha was protesting because it had been four days since his death and he would be rotting by then—stinking. Yahushua said to her: "Did I not say to you that if you believe, you shall see the glory of Elohim?"

We block miracles all the time by our reasoning. (John 11) He wants those like little children, like the Roman Captain, who won't put obstacles in His path to block His interaction with them. When you begin to act on what He puts into your spirit, for example to go somewhere: It is good to get a map, study the area, the culture--the way the people think and act--so that you don't make a fool out of yourself (smile). But He MUST see your faith in action when He tells you the next step. It is good to gather information, as long as you do not depend on that information to guide your thinking. We must not get our guidance from GOOGLE! Yet, so many now are basing their decisions on money-investments, on what is in it for me.

Faith is "hear" and "obey" —that's it. If you believe what He says, then do it—that's faith—action! Faith is not sitting around reasoning as to what is the most cushy and spoiled way of obeying Him. He wants soldiers, disciplined believers, who are not afraid to get their hands dirty in His service.

He impressed our family to move from North Carolina to Texas. We had no money to move across the street, He said: "GO". I told all my friends that we were going, if I had to put my thumb up on Highway 64 going out of Murphy, North Carolina, and hitchhike to Texas. He worked so many miracles it would take about 10 pages to tell you—but we got to Texas. Houses were not selling, and we had a beautiful home in the country. He impressed me to pack. So we all began packing. By the time the house was packed up—it was sold.

My third child, a daughter, saw all this. Later on, when she and her husband could not find a home in Texas to buy over a 2-year period, she felt impressed to tell their landlord where they were renting that they'd be out in 2 months. She began packing. When they finished packing, they found the house. This principle is in Exodus 40:33 and 34 and I Kings 8:6-11, that when we complete what He has asked us to do at any

given place in our lives, THEN He comes down to bless us and fill our “house” with His glory. We must act, and then He will come. If you wait for Him to obey your rules before you do what He has said, you will be waiting forever!

When He led my third child and her husband to another state in late 2006. They sold the house within a very short time, the buyer coming to see the house the day before they left. Houses were not selling in Ft. Worth. Why were they so blessed? Again, my daughter started packing.

I trained my children in faith, and they saw Yahuweh work. I took her and her younger sister to Mexico and to the Navajo Indian Reservation several times to do missionary work. They learned to minister. They also learned faith. They learned how to do well in very primitive conditions – like on the top of the Guadalupe Mountains in Mexico in an Indian village. They are NOT spoiled!

I took my youngest one to Africa with me one time. We stayed in a mud and cow dung hut. She is not spoiled; she loved it. At age 16, she stood beside me ministering in healing and deliverance. She preached an evangelistic sermon, winning souls to Messiah – and testified in a High School regarding her faith--being bold and strong in faith.

Psalm 78:5-7: “For He raised a witness in Jacob, and set a Torah in Israel, which He commanded our fathers to teach their children, that it might be known to a generation to come – to children who would be born, to raise up and relate them to their children, and place their trust in Elohim, and not forget the works of El, but watch over His commands...” (Also Deuteronomy 6:5-7)

Proverbs 22:6: “Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old, he will not turn away from it”. In Hebrew understanding, “old” means a boy about 14 years old – when his voice drops, when he can shave, and when he can produce babies. “Old” means a girl about 12 years old who can conceive a child. Yet, in our modern American culture, because of advertising manipulations of the 1950’s to target this age group, we have a group called “teenagers”, who tend towards rebellion and lawlessness. We must start their training by about age 10 months. **PASSING ON OUR FAITH IN A GREAT ELOHIM TO OUR CHILDREN IS A PARENT’S NUMBER ONE RESPONSIBILITY – THIS INCLUDES TEACHING THEM FAITH BY DEMONSTRATION OF FAITH IN THE HOME. LET THEM SEE YOU TRUSTING YAHUWEH, AND RECEIVING HIS MIRACLES.**

My children grew up seeing such marvelous miracles in response to faith – seeing provision of food when we had none – and no money to buy it, for example. They saw healings--they saw things happen constantly that only the Father could do. To

this day, they are full of faith.

TEACHING THEM TO TRUST HIM AND KNOW HIM, LOVE HIS TRUTH, AND OBEY HIM! If you have no active relationship with Him, sending them to Sunday School, or Saturday School, either one, is not going to help them – they must see active, living faith in their home. They must see mom and dad praying, and working out things by trusting Him. They must be allowed to be involved by prayer in family troubles. If dad is without a job – they need to be included in praying for dad to get a good job.

My children learned how to trust Him for healing. If they had some illness or pain, they'd come to me for prayer and He would heal them. My youngest daughter did not go to a doctor until she had her first baby. From the time she was five, she was standing against the devil in "spiritual warfare" and praying for her classmates to receive Jesus as their Savior. When she was eleven years old, I took her to Saltillo, Mexico with me. We began praying for the people. The adult Mayans came to me, but if they had a child, they took their children to her to pray for them. The missionary was interpreting for her. She was leading the parents the Savior. At one point, the missionary came up to me with his eyes so big. He said that she prayed for a little boy who had been in an accident. There was a hole in his lung, and one of his legs was crippled. After she prayed for him, the missionary took the boy out in the parking lot, and the boy ran around and around – totally healed.

I've had my children pray for me, commanding pain to leave, and it instantly left. My son came against the enemy, commanding that he take his hands off of me. I was horribly sick with a migraine. I suffered much from migraine headaches. At this 14-year old boy's command, I felt claws slide out of my head, and heat went all through me, and I was totally healed. I have never had a migraine since. My son is now 36 years old. This is "child-like" faith in action.

Teach your children to walk in faith – to minister – to pray for healing and deliverance. Teach your children how to be servants of Yahuweh! The strongest faith is usually found in children, or those who are child-like. Obedience opens the doors of heaven to us.

There is no such thing as faith without obedience! Disobedience, lawlessness, interprets as unbelief. I found out early in my faith-walk that if I waited for the money to go and do what He told me to do I would never have gone anywhere. He usually provides the money just before or during my trips. One time He had me waiting until one hour before I had to buy my ticket to Africa, but He provided JUST in time. The ticket was to be picked up at 2:00PM on Tuesday. The previous Sunday I had no money for the ticket. A man asked me what I needed for my trip. I told him

I was taking Bibles and clothes for the poor. He turned around and wrote a check. I didn't look at it until I got in the car – it was for over \$700.00. At 1:00PM on Tuesday, I had the money. I have learned to trust Him for food for my family, and for payment of rent and electric, and clothes, and even gas. So, trusting Him for money to go to do His will is a natural thing for me.

I've heard missionary friends tell me that He told them to go somewhere and they had NO money at all for the ticket. But, they packed and went to the airport. And somehow they got the money just before they had to pay for the ticket. One said that the money came as they were standing in front of the check-in person, who was asking for the payment for the ticket. He tests our faith!

The more important the assignment, the stronger He tests us. The stronger we are in faith, the stronger the tests! People who experience these miracles are not novices in knowing His ability to provide. They have been through test after test after test. It is pathetic that people have to have all their questions answered, all their money in the bank--all their security in place and their plans all laid out in order--before they step out to do anything. It is not only pathetic--it is tragic. They do not know Him. To know Him is to respond quickly to His commands.

We have to discipline ourselves to trust Him in all circumstances, so that our faith can be built. It is like exercise. You don't go to the gym the first time and expect to do the things an experienced body-builder can do.

Get out of debt fast. Simplify your life. Downsize...get rid of everything that is a weight – that ties you to this world. If we obeyed the simple command: "Owe no man anything but love", we would be so free. I have lived a George Mueller type of life – He's taught me to trust Him for EVERYTHING.

Learning faith is not like ordering a Big Mack. It is not a "fast food" thing. We must "toughen up" – discipline ourselves – "endure hardness" – force ourselves to get out of our comfort zones. II Timothy 2:3-4, 11-12: "Suffer hardship with us as a good soldier of Yahushua Messiah. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in the affairs of this life, in order to please only him who enlisted him as a soldier".

"Trustworthy is the word: For if we died with Him, we shall also live with Him. If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He will deny us". Faith that is not tested is not real faith! Peter was so bold, telling Messiah that He would never have to suffer because Peter was not going to let the Romans take Him to the stake. Messiah rebuked him, and told him that before the rooster crowed three times, Peter would deny Him three times. So many are so bold and arrogant about their faith, yet when the test comes, they fail. If our faith cannot be seen everywhere

we go, it is not faith – it is a sham. If we fall apart because He asks us to leave our sentimental comfort zone, what will happen when we have to flee for our lives? “Remember Lot’s wife”: Luke 17 with Genesis 19.

Luke 9:62: “...No one, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of Elohim”. Whether you knew it or not, when you took Messiah as your Savior, you put your hand to the plough to serve Him. If you look back when He tells you to do something, you are not fit for His Kingdom.

I realize that there are a lot of religious people out there saying such silliness as: “He told me to go to Burger King”, or “He told me to buy that dress”. My friends He is the Elohim of Israel. He is not some spirit that talks to your head and tells you to buy a dress, or go to Burger King, or Taco Bell either. That’s your flesh talking. Your flesh – the soul realm of mind, emotions, will, reasoning, the seat of the sin nature, the part of you that lusts for what the five senses deem to be desirable. We live by the Spirit within our spirit. He speaks to our spirit that contacts eternity, and when He speaks it is something to be feared and acted on immediately. “For our Elohim is a consuming fire”. (Hebrews 12:29)

In Matthew 9:2 and following we see this situation: Messiah was ministering in a house, and four men tried to get their crippled friend in before Messiah. Finally they got desperate, so they crawled up on the roof, removed the thatching, and lowered the man in front of Yahushua inside the house. It says that when Yahushua “SAW THEIR FAITH” He stopped everything else and healed the man. IS YOUR FAITH SO EVIDENT THAT ALL WHO KNOW YOU SEE YOUR FAITH?

My friends, so many are now sitting around waiting for Him to do something, or to tell you what to do. If you don’t act on what He has said in some visible way – then your faith is considered useless...a sham – hot air, vanity, as unstable as the wind. He’s not impressed.

Faith is an action word: Hebrews 11: “BY FAITH...” they went out and did things. Do you realize that even the Creator used faith, believing that what He spoke would appear? Once we begin moving in His kind of faith, we can have faith that what we pray, what we command and declare and proclaim according to His Word, will happen (Hebrews 11:1-2; I John 5:14-15)

This is true faith: Hebrews 11:32-40: “And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to relate of Gideon and Barak and Sampson, and Yipthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith overcame kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became

mighty in battle, put foreign armies to flight. Women received back their dead by resurrection. And others were tortured, NOT accepting release, to obtain a better resurrection. And others had trial of mocking and flogging and more, of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were tried, they were sawn in two, they were slain with the sword. They went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being in need, afflicted, mistreated, OF WHOM THE WORLD WAS NOT WORTHY – wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the earth. And having obtained witness through faith, all these died not having received the promise (*of Messiah*), Elohim providing what is better for us, that they should not be made complete apart from us". (Italics mine)

Do you realize that the great cloud of witnesses (Hebrews 12:1), are waiting for us to overcome and complete our course, so that at the return of Messiah, those who have died in faith, from Adam and Eve onward, will join us as one great throng with Messiah as He puts His foot on the Mount of Olives? They are cheering us on to victory!

We won't be judged on our belief-system as much as on what our beliefs (our faith) produce. He will judge us by our works. It is by our works that He sees our faith (James 2; I Corinthians 3:10-15; Revelation 22:12).

***"Faith" in the Hebrew (#530 in James Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible), "emunah" means: "Established trustworthiness, firmness, fidelity, stability fullness, truly, truth, set office". Where in this is there room for a belief system that is passive and inactive? It's not there!

Most people do not realize that faith is a major teaching in the Tenach – not as belief, but as action. Please read all of Hebrews 11 – the "faith chapter". These people came before Messiah. They had faith in Messiah to come. Ezekiel was filled with the Spirit. Enoch was translated. Elijah went up in a whirlwind. And the church says the "OLD Testament" is obsolete!

The Hebrew concept of faith is that if you believe something, then prove it by your actions or you are just a bag of hot air. Martin Luther didn't want the book of James (Ja'cob) to be in the Bible. It contradicted his new idea of grace. But, it is in the Bible. Read it – Ja'cob chapter 2. Here are some excerpts: "My brothers, what use is it for anyone to say he has faith but does not have works?

This faith is unable to save him...Faith, if it does not have works is in itself dead...I shall show you my faith by my works. You believe that Elohim is one. You do well. The demons believe and tremble...for as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead". "Works" isn't just doing acts of kindness for the

poor, widows, orphans, strangers – visiting the grieving, visiting hospitals, getting food for people, and the like—though that is very important! It means to daily do what the Torah tells us to do, and what He tells us personally do to personally. Joseph had a dream. He was warned in the dream to take baby Yahushua to Egypt to save His life. What if Joseph had reasoned: “I don’t want to go to Egypt—it’s still too hot down there at this time of year”, or “Maybe my dream was a result of my eating too much goat meat last night”?

I’m serious, I’ve heard people tell me that Father had called them to go to Israel or Jordan, but they couldn’t go when it was summer, because it was too hot. What will these do if asked to imitate Polycarp? What does our personal comfort have to do with obedience to the Most High Elohim of Heaven and Earth! What does saving our skin have to do with obedience to Yahuweh? So many won’t even visit their homeland – Israel – because maybe a bomb will go off. Yet about seven million people live there every day, and carry on their lives. If the bomb goes off and you’re in the bus, then you get to see Yahushua sooner – how great is that! Paul said: “For me to live is Messiah, and to die is gain”. (Philippians 1:21) Fear is the opposite of faith! Religious games – that is all most believers know. If you are basing your obedience on your comfort-level, then stay home. He doesn’t need you! I’ve heard people say how much they loved Israel, but they didn’t even take the time to buy a map to see where the rockets were falling last July on Israel. If you believe something, or say you love something, show it by your actions!

If Abraham had heard Elohim and then got sentimental about leaving Ur, and his family – well, where would we be today? Slowly and prayerfully read all of Hebrews 11. Read carefully Daniel 3 and Daniel 6 – what if these men had not trusted Yahuweh when faced with a different kind of anti-messiah? We wouldn’t have the prophecies of the end days that Daniel gave us. Daniel 3 is going to be repeated – and those who resist the world ruler, and won’t bow to him, will indeed be put in an oven, or gas chamber, or have their head cut off. These things are in the U.S. now waiting for you.

Hebrews 11:1, 6: “Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence (*proof*) of things not seen”. “For without faith, it is IMPOSSIBLE to please Him, for he who comes to Elohim must believe that He is, and that He rewards those who DILIGENTLY seek Him”. (Italics mine)

Faith has substance – it has proof, because real faith is visible in our actions. Noah built an ark because Elohim said it would rain. No one had seen rain ever before on the earth. But, He built this boat in the desert. People for 120 years saw his faith – and mocked him. But, one day.... Do you realize that if Noah had not obeyed, not one human being would have been left on planet earth? Today, many

Scriptures tell us that unless He saved a very small remnant, “no flesh will be saved”.

It is IMPOSSIBLE to please Him without faith. He rewards those who DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM. Who today has active, living faith? Who today diligently seeks Him? - Very, very few! Faith sets priorities. What you get done in a day is your priority. Faith sets Yahuweh’s business as priority over anything else!

If you believe, have faith, that Messiah is returning soon – then your priority is to prepare and help prepare others – to warn others – to be diligent in sharing the Good News of Messiah, sharing your Hebrew roots. But, if your priority is life in this world, you will die with this priority, for you won’t prepare. If you are in love with someone – they are your priority, and you prepare to marry them. Yahushua is coming for an exclusive Bride.

The greatest of all commandments is found in Deuteronomy 6:5: “And you shall love Yahuweh your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might”. This means to love Him with our whole being – with everything we are and everything we have. Yet, only a tiny few obey this greatest commandment. If we obeyed it, our faith would be huge.

The only way to have faith is to learn to know Him, thus you can trust Him. You can’t trust someone you don’t know, not really, not fully, not with your life. You might trust the garbage man to pick up your garbage twice a week. But, you certainly are not going to trust the garbage man, who is a total stranger to you, to oversee your house while you are on vacation.

Most believers trust their pastor or rabbi to tell them about Him. Yet, we have the privilege of sitting alone with Him, in His presence, letting HIM TEACH us the Word, explaining things to us, talking to us in our spirit, and in short becoming a friend. Yet, most people who say they believe don’t even take the time to read the Bible, let alone let Him teach it to them. He is the Spirit of Truth. No human will give you what He can give you – revelation knowledge...just His Word to you. (John 16:13)

Moses is known best for bringing us Yahuweh’s Kingdom Instructions and Teachings for the “good life” here on earth. But, few comment on the relationship that he had with the Father. When the cloud of His presence came off of the ark, the people bowed themselves in fear, but as in Exodus 33:11 it says: “And it came to be, when Moses entered the Tent, that the column of cloud descended and stood at the door of the Tent and He spoke with Moses. Thus Yahuweh spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend”.

You can be like the rest of the crowd who has to stand aloof while Yahuweh comes to speak to His set-apart friends, or like Moses. Amos 3:7 says that Yahuweh does NOTHING unless He first tells His secrets to His set-apart servants, the prophets (those that speak His Word correctly). You can be an insider in Yahuweh's inner circle, or you can be outsider that receives of His goodness and salvation (yeshua), but who never get the awesome privilege of knowing Him as "friend". John 15:14 is pretty blunt: "You are My friends IF you do whatsoever I command you". That's Messiah speaking!

Abraham was called "the friend of Elohim". (James 2:23) Faith is not passive. "Genesis 12:1 and 4a: "And Yahuweh said to Abram, 'Go yourself out of your land, from your relatives and from your father's house, to a land which I will show you... So Abram left as Yahuweh had commanded him..." Has Yahuweh changed His requirements for discipleship? Luke 18:28-30: Absolutely not! He requires that we forsake ALL if we will follow Him.

Once again: In the Hebrew understanding, IF you say you have faith and do not back it up with corresponding actions, your faith is fake – phony – hypocritical – useless – and no good. It's a lie. Real faith does not throw obstacles in His path when He expects us to do something.

When Messiah called His Apostles, they left ALL to follow Him. They left their inheritance, their family, their homes, their way of making money, their reputation in their community, their chances to live a "normal" life, even laying down their lives to follow Someone whom they BELIEVED was the Messiah. But, here's the reward: Luke 18:28-30. If your eyes are on the eternal Kingdom here on earth, and His reward for faithfulness, then you'll turn off the world's programming devices and get into His presence and hear, and obey, hear and obey. That's my life! I'll be honest – it is a rough life – because this earth is hostile to His set-apart ones – but knowing Him is the greatest reward! I don't teach anything I don't live.

Many think they have eternal life by being baptized. Some think it has to do with faithful church attendance. Some have a belief system but it only is in practice when they go to church and wear their religious mask. The word "hypocrite" means to wear a mask. Some think they have eternal life by praying a prayer and then they can go and live like the world--watching sin on TV, dressing like the world, talking like the world, and desiring the things of the world. Then they think they will die and go to some Roman-style Elysian Fields called "heaven", where everyone floats around and plays harps. My friends this is deception.

If you say you are a follower of Messiah Yahushua – the Elohim of Israel – the Jewish Messiah – and you have not forsaken all, laid down your life, to follow Him – you are

not understanding covenant relationship and your responsibility as a citizen of His Kingdom (Philippians 2:20-21).

If you're not hit by bomb, bullet, sword, or die in other war-situation ways, you will have to go before men who will torture you to get you to deny your faith. Look at the description of the martyrs in Revelation 20:6. You would not believe the number of guillotines in the U.S. right now in Homeland Security installations. So, you need to know what your faith really is. If it is just belief – remember that the “devils believe and tremble”, (James 2:19) whereas hardly any Christians tremble. “Work out your salvation with fear and trembling” is Paul’s admonition in Philippians 2:12-16.

Are you willing and ready to go through torture and death for your beliefs? You need to teach your children how to stand in the face of such things. If they are taken away from you, are they strong enough to endure for His sake? “Those that endure to the end shall be saved” (Matthew 24:13)

II Thessalonians 2:9-12: “The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power and signs and wonders of falsehood, and with all deceit of unrighteousness in those perishing, because they did not receive the love of the truth in order for them to be delivered. And for this reason Elohim sends them a strong delusion, for them to believe a lie, in order that all should be judged who did not believe the truth, but have delighted in unrighteousness”.

A great tragedy is that many who obey the Torah – study the Torah – live by it – do not know Him personally, nor do they hear from His Spirit. They are intellectual, but do not have the child-likeness needed to “walk in the Spirit”. Their mind is filled with Truth, but they do not know the Spirit of Truth. It takes both--obedience to the written Word, and intimacy with Him--so that we obey not only His written Word, but also His spoken words to us personally. I am so sad that many who are very sincere and dedicated Torah observers, don't know what it is like to walk with Him. Adam walked with Him in the cool of the Garden. They talked. They fellowshiped. But, today, over 6,000 years later, those who say they obey Him and know Him, don't walk or talk with Him. This is tragic.

As Richard Wurmbrand told us from his experiences in being tortured, our intellectual knowledge of the Bible will not help us when the mind shuts down--when you are being tortured, or your children are smothering to death in a gas chamber. All that will get you through this kind of horror is knowing your Daddy as Daddy (Abba)...that He is good, and merciful, loving, compassionate, and that He has good out of everything. Richard Wurmbrand was in prison many years in Romania. He said that only what is in your spirit that is still alive by His grace, will

keep you from going insane.

You must face the inevitable. If you do not die in the initial war – you will go through horrors. If you cannot even obey Him to get rid of your material “stuff” (making your stuff idolatry), and prepare for the great world fleeing out of all nations, then how will you act when your spouse or mother or father or children is being tortured and killed, or taken from you somewhere you don’t know. The worst torturers ever known to man have been priests and nuns of the Jesuit Order of the Catholic Church, and the nuns and priests of the Ustachi in Eastern Europe. Who helped fund them? -- America and England. Today, they are still torturing Jews and believers in many countries. If your faith is not strong, you will fall apart, your mind will be gone, and you will deny Him. It is a well-known fact that this Jesuit Order controls the Vatican, and created the Illuminati. They are the rulers of the one world order.

It’s time we stopped sheltering ourselves and faced reality. To help you do that I recommend that you read Richard Wurmbrand’s classic, Tortured for Christ, and Fox’s Book of Martyrs. Some who were being burned alive in Roman arenas did not even feel the flames, but died singing praises to Yahuweh and Yahushua. How could they do that? -- Because they learned how to live out of their spirit.

Ephesians 6:11-14a: “Put on the whole armor of Elohim for you to have power to stand against the schemes of the devil, because we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against authorities, against the world-rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual wickedness in the heavens. Because of this, take up the complete armor of Elohim so that you have power to withstand in the wicked day, and having done all to stand, stand therefore...”

If you know Him personally, then you can stand strong--You will be suffering for a Person – not a belief-system! Luke 14:25-33, excerpts: “If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother and wife and children, and brothers and sisters, and his own life too, he is UNABLE to be My disciple... So, then, everyone of you who does not give up all that he has, is UNABLE to be My disciple”. “Hate” in the Hebrew context means to not submit to the control of... not to come under submission to. Therefore, if we are going to follow Him, He must be our only Master. We can’t have others pulling at us with their demands and control and sentimental attachments, if we are going to let go of all to follow Him. We hate the pull of anyone on us if we are following the Lamb – because they are trying to control us and keep us by manipulation of our emotions and will, in submission to their will.

Our idols (eye dolls) have the same power – for those things that we see daily that

hold our attention so that we do not move on His commands idols, gods to us. The idols can be material things – possessions, house, money, a job, a social position, friends, even our families, our pastor or rabbi. We have to be willing to walk away from all these “eye dolls” – things that attract our eyes, thus engaging emotions in our mind – keeping us from ready obedience to the Master. Sentimentality is an enemy! Compromise will destroy us. The enemy is always talking to us, and we hear him. He talks to our reasoning mind. He tells us we can obey a little, but we don’t have to obey totally. We can keep Shabbat and the Festivals and not eat pork or shellfish, but we do not have to study our Bible or pray very much – we can stay busy with the world’s activities and be OK with “God”. Compromise will lead to giving in to the thinking of Lucifer and thus many souls will be damned for eternity.

Let’s compare Abraham’s great faith to Lot’s pitiful lack of faith. Genesis 12:1 – Abraham heard, he proceeded to obey. The angels came to tell Lot to get out of Sodom because Yahuweh was going to destroy the city. Lot had to be pulled out because of his attachment to his power and position as gatekeeper, his material possession, and his family. He did not want to go, but the compassion of the Father, because of Abraham’s prayers, caused the angels to physically jerk him out. His wife looked back, and she was trapped when the salt-flat at the base of the Dead Sea was blown into the air by Father’s nuclear bombs. Are you waiting to do anything, hoping you will be dragged out before destruction? If so, think again. That was Genesis 19. This is 2007 CE. In His wrath to come, He does not promise mercy on those who don’t obey Revelation 18:4; Jeremiah 50:6 and 51:8 and 45 etcetera. He’s coming to destroy the Babylonian system and He is warning us to get out NOW.

Fundamental believers will pound the table saying: “I believe the Word of God to be 100% truth”. But, they do not obey 98% of it. They throw out everything that requires suffering, deprivation, sacrifice, responsibility to their Kingdom’s laws, and basically don’t do anything they don’t want to do. They create theology out of a few verses to get out of doing their basic covenant responsibilities to the Savior, let alone His Father. This is laughable if it were not so tragic. Basically, faith is our action in obedience to His commands – first of all His written commands in the Word, and second to His spoken commands to us personally.

The remnant of His set-apart ones is very, very small. For one verse: Isaiah 1:9 and for another Isaiah 10:20-23. The largest concentration of the house of Judah (the 3 southern tribes of Jacob) and the house of Israel (house of Ephraim or house of Joseph – the ten northern tribes of Jacob) are in the United States. Yet, this remnant will be tiny, because so few know Him enough to even hear Him when He says to get out of Babylon.

I recommend your reading the book, Like A Mighty Wind, by Mel Tari, about the

Indonesian revival. These child-like believers experienced his miracles and power because they immediately obeyed Him. For proper understanding of how to trust Him for money – I highly recommend your reading The Autobiography of George Mueller. This man, by faith, took care of several thousand orphans, and supported missionaries, and sent out Bibles, and conducted adult schools, and Bible schools, and the man had no money beyond what was absolutely needed, bare minimums – the money came in by the prayer of faith – and it went out – it came in by the prayer of faith – and it went out, year and year after year. They never had a surplus, but the children never starved. George Mueller lived in the 1800's in England. Here we are in 2007, and almost no one on earth has the faith of George Mueller, except the very poor in Third World nations. The great testimony of this man lives on!

In the days to come more people will deny their faith in "Jesus" or "Yeshua" than in the last 2,000 years. Why? -- Because they only had a "belief-system" not genuine faith. Already Christians and Messianic people are denying the deity of Messiah or denying Him totally – the great falling away has begun!

How practical is He? Does He care about the "steps"? (Psalm 37:23) I live by His written instructions and His personal instructions. Just one tiny example: I was getting ready to return to the Middle East (November 2006). I was packing, and organizing my new room in Florida. The Spirit spoke strongly in my spirit: "Call the airlines now to confirm your ticket". I knew His voice, so I dropped what I was doing, and called them. They said they didn't have my new number but the route that my ticket showed had been changed. I would not be going through Memphis to Amsterdam, but from Detroit to Paris. It meant that my flight out of Dallas/Ft. Worth was changed also. If I had dilly-dallied around and put off His insistence, I would have ended up at the airport late, missing my whole flight plan. Once you get to know Him through obedience, you get to know His different tones of voice...sometimes gentle, sometimes insistent, sometime demanding and harsh. But, remember He is a father, and acts like a father should – for His children's good always.

Because of Christian teaching, so many wait around for Him to give them their "calling". If they don't get some supernatural experience that gives them their "calling", then they think they can go and live their lives like anyone else, go to church and be good Christians. After all, they reason, those with "callings" are missionaries, pastors, evangelists, prophets, and teachers. They go on TV, write books, and travel the world. They have to go to Bible School and be ordained. My friends, I've been through four years of a fine Bible College, now a large University, which gave me some good foundational fundamentalist information about the Bible, but it DID NOT PREPARE ME for real life – especially not life with Father. Life

with the Elohim of the Bible is not like church-religion. He is not contained in the box of man's theology. Christianity has 1.9 billion members, in over 5000 denominations and organizations – that is NOT what the Elohim of the Bible started. Begin today to spread His good news of His coming Kingdom, visit the orphans and widows, give to the poor. Do something to get your spiritual car jump-started, so that He can give you directions. As the old expression goes:

“You can't steer a parked car”. We all have a “calling” – a ministry--the desire He places within your re-born spirit that contacts His realm, the desire that stays and won't go away, IS your calling. If you are breathing, you are called to do something for Him. If you don't begin to move in it, even in a small way, He can't lead you on further! As the chess word says it—when neither side has a way to win—it is called “stale mate”. If He is not allowed to win in your life, then you lose – you can't win without Him!

Many have a leading to come to Israel or Aqaba (Edom) – some to live, some to visit. But, they heard on the news about a bombing, or a terrorist attack, and fear set in (fear is in the mind) and so they cancelled their trip. This is so pathetic. There is no faith in that. Again: Please, read Numbers 13 and 14 prayerfully. When He calls us to do something, if we put it off, then if we try to go back and pick up the calling, it is very possible we'll fall on our face – because we've missed His timing. His timing is to the second – “mo'ed”.

He has a timing for us to move in – but He calls the timing – we don't. I've never met a person who jumped ahead of His timing, but I've met a lot who drag behind. He guides our spirit into His perfect timing – that's what it means to be “led by the Spirit”. (Romans 8:14) We should begin to act right away upon His impressions – then and only then can He give us the timing. He has to see our faith – or else He won't give further instructions!

I've had friends who were called to different mission fields, but they told me that “when” they got the money they would go, or “when” their child got out of college, or “when they go their house paid off”. They never went. If we tell the Master what we are going to do, He leaves. He's the Boss – not us! Once you learn to know His voice (John 10:4, 27) then you don't have wonder: “Is it Him?” If you love someone and they call you on the phone, how long does it take you to get to where you automatically recognize their voice? Not long! Yet, I've heard so many say they don't hear from Him. From Genesis to Revelation He talks to people. But, they do not hear because He's tried to talk to them and they have either dismissed Him because of their man-taught theology, or they are too busy listening to other voices, or they don't recognize Him because they don't know Him, or they are disobedient. A father doesn't deal intimately with a rebellious child. But, to the

child who obeys and sits in His lap – wow – he blesses that child abundantly. He’s not going to compete with the TV or Internet – if you are going to hear from Him – turn off the world.

So many now are hearing to get out of Babylon – it is in the written Word, and He is speaking it to families and individuals. The U.S. is end-time Babylon – Jeremiah 50, 51, Revelation 18, Isaiah 47 and on and on. This is a historic fact as well as an actual fact of today. It is a nation at the time of Messiah’s return, that is the leading superpower of the earth. It trades in the listed commodities in Revelation 18, daily, in only one place – Wall Street in New York. Babylon is also the world system: political, economic and religious.

I Corinthians 6:19-10: We are “not our own, we are bought with a price”.

I Corinthians 7:23: “You were bought with a price, do not become slaves of Men”. If you are telling Him what to do, or running from His instructions, or trying to control your own life – you are not a bond slave. We are either a bond slave to the lifestyle we’ve created for our self, or we are His bond slaves who conform to His lifestyle!

We must enter into what He is doing, and into the “fellowship of His sufferings”. What grieves Him should grieve us! (Philippians 3:10) If you love someone, you are going to enter into their sufferings. Love means involvement! If we love Him, we obey Him. If we love Him, we get rid of what He hates. He hates sin. We must live a life of repentance – always conscious of the conviction of the Ruach Yahuweh when He tells us we are sinning against Yahuweh.

In Africa, many who have been in witchcraft of all types, come to faith in Messiah. Their spirit is born from above. They begin to fill their mind with the Word. But, because they were involved with demons, these demons often return to their physical habitation in these people’s bodies. (See Matthew 12:43-45) Unless they repent of their former life, these demons have legal right to remain to torment them in body and in mind and emotions. I have been involved in helping to deliver many of them into His glorious freedom. If your theology doesn’t teach you the reality of the demonic world and how they interact with humans, go with me to Africa, Asia, Israel. In the meantime, read the Gospels and the Book of Acts. Ever read this: Ephesians 6:11-13? We’re in warfare. If you have puny faith – you won’t be able to stand up like Ephesians 6:10-18 tells us too, and II Corinthians 10:3-6. The demonic spirits that have been bound in the earth since after the flood are being loosed upon the earth – and you will have to face things never before in the history of man. Read Revelation.

There are spirits of deception that attach themselves to those in the system of the

Christian religion. Many are leaving the church system to embrace their Hebrew roots, yet they are not repenting of being involved in paganism, lawlessness, rebellion, deception, lies, and a religion that comes from Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome. These people, sincere, but not realizing they are coming out of something, simply add on Torah practices to their belief system. There is no conviction of having been “wrong” – involved in abomination against Yahuweh. (His mercy has been so great towards us!).

There must be repentance and a total severing of yourself from the paganism of this world religious system that is returning to its base in Babylon/Greece and Rome. Our faith walk begins with repentance. Without repentance there is no salvation! Sentimentality and going by what appears to be good and nice will trap multi-millions of believers in the days to come – if they don’t make a complete break with the kingdom of darkness, and the gods of this world.

Faith means to stay in right-relationship with Him by confession of sin and repentance and continual change. Leviticus chapters 4 and 5 address this. Here are just a few verses from chapter 5: “When a soul commits a trespass and has sinned by mistake against the set-apart things of Yahuweh then he shall bring to Yahuweh as a guilt offering a ram, a perfect one...and if a soul sins and has done what is not to be done, against any of the commands of Yahuweh, though he knew it not, yet he shall be guilty and shall bear his sin... And the mistake he committed unintentionally, though he knew it not, it shall be forgiven him – it is a guilt offering, he was truly guilty before Yahuweh”.

When you learn the pagan roots of the religion of Christianity, you must get out of it totally. I have studied to the roots of it – to its invention by Greece, then its institutionalizing by Rome. Your faith must never be divided between what is pagan and what is true. In Exodus 32, they made a golden calf to worship, but then they said: “Tomorrow is a feast to Yahuweh”. To mix worship is an abomination to Him. So many celebrate Hanukkah AND Christmas. This is an abomination to Yahuweh. He hates mixtures. It is the pure of heart who see Elohim. We must repent and get out of all that defiles – out of all falsehood, out of all attachments to sun god worship. Many worship from Friday night to Saturday night – the Shabbat of Yahuweh – then they go to church on Sunday morning. It was the Emperor Constantine that forbade the Christians to worship on Saturday, and commanded they worship on the day of the sun god – Sun-day – the day of Baal – the “lord’s day”. (Baal in Hebrew translates as “lord”). He was a sun god worshipper. The word “church” comes from the German word for “church”, whose root is in the name for the goddess Circe, mythological daughter of the sun god Helios, who supposedly turned men into pigs. From this word, we get “circle, circus and church, circumference”. The very root of the word “church” is a mockery of Yahuweh’s Torah. Have you ever wondered why

the traditional meat at Easter (Ishtar) is pork?

Do you realize that if your faith is to be blameless before Him, you must repent of being in a false religion, and come to Yahuweh with the blood of Messiah PURIFY YOUR FAITH IN THE TRUTH – WASH IT CLEAN – MAKE IT UNDEFILED, AND SOLID IN THE WHOLE WORD OF ELOHIM.

Yahushua, the Lamb of Elohim, and ask Him to pardon your sin of involvement in the breaking of the first four of the Ten Commandments. Christianity teaches the breaking of the first four commandments, and lawlessness against Yahuweh's Torah. It puts others gods in His face, causes us to put other things in the place of Him, and to bring His set-apart Name to nothingness – using instead the names of other gods. He is calling us out from all that defiles.

II Corinthians 6:17-7:1 (Go back and read this in context): “Therefore, come out from among them and be separate’, says Yahuweh, `and do not touch what is unclean and I will receive you. And I shall be a Father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to Me’, says Yahuweh. Having, then, these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of the flesh and spirit, perfecting set-apartness in the fear of Elohim”.

“Pursue peace with all men, and pursue set-apartness, without which no man shall see Elohim”. “The pure in heart will see Elohim”. (Hebrews 12:14 and Matthew 5:8) Not all will see Elohim. Because, as with the five foolish virgins of Matthew 25:1-11, He did not know them. The word “know” is a term of sexual intimacy – as in “Adam knew his wife and she conceived...”

FAITH MUST BE ROOTED IN TRUTH! IF THE ROOT OF OUR FAITH IS DEFILED WITH PAGANISM (Luciferic-inspired religion) THEN THE WHOLE STRUCTURE OF OUR FAITH IS DEFILED, AND THE FRUIT OF OUR FAITH IS BE DEFILED. THE ROOT MUST BE IN THE TREE OF ISRAEL, IN MESSIAH, IN YAHUWEH AND HIS SET-APART TORAH. (Ephesians 2:8-19/Romans 11)

There is only one way to get pure undefiled Truth: LET THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH TEACH YOU. (John 15:26; 16:13; Psalm 119:142 and 160; John 17:17; I John 2:27-28) Psalm 119:160: **“The sum of Your Word is truth, and all Your righteous right-rulings are FOREVER”.** Here is the rule: **“Whatsoever is not of faith is sin”.** Faith sets us apart to Yahuweh. If what you do is not set-apart to Yahuweh – approved by Him-- don't do it.

Our faith must be anchored in the eternal Word of Yahuweh – NOT in what some man's theology says about the Scriptures. If your faith is based on your denomination's

beliefs, or your pastor's beliefs, or your organization's beliefs – then it is nothing – useless – vain and empty. Your faith won't get you past one day in the tribulation. But, if your faith is anchored in His word, then to go against His Word is sin.

James 4:17: **“To him, then, who knows to do right and does not do it, to him it is sin”**.
Romans 14:22-23: **“Do you have faith? Have it in yourself before Yahuweh. Blessed is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves...and all that is not of faith is sin”**.

You will have to stand alone before the judgment seat of Messiah. Your pastor won't be there, the big-named evangelist on TV won't be there, your favorite teacher won't be there. It will be you before the Judge of the Universe. Will your faith stand that test? Did you know that wasting time was a sin? **“Redeeming the time for the days are evil”** is our Word. (Ephesians 5:16) He gives us a certain amount of time to prepare for the coming Kingdom. Don Esposito said that at one point in his life, he worked so hard six days a week, that he felt no wrong in watching several hours of football on TV on Sunday. He reasoned that it was not sin. Then one day, he felt impressed to ask a different question of himself: “Is what I am doing set-apart to Yahuweh”? That was a whole different thing. We must govern our lives by what is set-apart to Him. Don cut out the football. Many talk on the phone for hours, or engage in idle chitchat with friends. Proverbs 10:19: **“When words are many, transgression is not absent, but he who restrains his lips is wise.”**

Matthew 12:36: **“But I say to you that for every idle word men speak, they shall give an account of it in the Day of judgment. For by your words you shall be declared righteous, and by your words you shall be declared unrighteous”**.

What does that have to do with faith? – Everything! For what you believe and what is your passion and your goal and your life – is what you talk about, what you share, what is in the foremost part of your mind. Your words reveal where your heart is. If our faith is alive and vibrant in Him, we will not chitchat – we will speak as “the oracles of Elohim”. (I Peter 4:11)

To the religious rulers He said in Luke 16:15: **“You are those who declare yourselves righteous before men, but Elohim knows your heart, because what is highly thought of among men is an abomination in the sight of Elohim”**.

James (Ja'cob) 4:4: **“Adulterers and Adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with Elohim? Whosoever, therefore, who intends to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of Elohim”**.

Colossians 1:12-13: **"...giving thanks to the Father who has made us fit to share in the inheritance of the set-apart ones in the light, who has delivered us from the authority of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of the Son of His love..."** Messiah died to release us from the dominion of Satan, and his world system's control over our lives. Real faith makes us a friend of Elohim!

Now to address Mark 11:20-26 with John 15:7 and 16:23-24: These are verses that many use to justify their nagging God to do as they command Him. Yahushua spoke to the fig tree. It died from the roots. He said that our faith must be like that – that what we say we must believe, and then it will happen, if we don't doubt. These Scriptures in Mark 11 are precious, but man has distorted them to use them for getting things.

But initially He says in Mark 11:22: **"...have the faith of Elohim"**. What is the faith of Elohim? -- It is believing that what He said, will come to pass. He had faith in His own Word for creation. Hebrews 11:3: **"By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of Elohim..."** (John 1:1) Colossians 1:16: Yahushua is the Word who spoke the creation into existence. He has faith that the plan of salvation will be completed with a remnant of those who know Him. He has faith in His own Word. Yet, man has little faith in His Word, if any.

Where did Messiah's authority come from to curse the fig tree? Yahuweh only gives His authority to those He trusts with His Word! If we are not obedient to His will, we'd better not go running around declaring and proclaiming things in His Name! That's serious – to misrepresent Him. He does not back disobedience.

Matthew 21:21-22: **"And Yahushua answering, said to them, `Truly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you shall not only do what was done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, "Be removed and be thrown into the sea" it shall be done. And whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive"**.

This kind of promise was given to the disciples, who would become His Apostles. These Apostles, except for John, would die martyrs' deaths. They would leave their families and all chances for a normal life. These promises of results in answer to faith are for those who fear Him and who obey, and who walk in His covenant – not for the lawless self-righteous who blab to grab to heap things up to satisfy their lust. These promises go to the Torah-observant.

I John 3:21-22: **"Beloved ones, if our heart does not condemn us, we have boldness towards Elohim. And whatever we ask we receive from Him, BECAUSE WE GUARD HIS COMMANDS AND DO WHAT IS PLEASING IN HIS SIGHT"**.

John 15:16-19: Look these promises in context: **“You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, SO THAT WHATEVER YOU ASK the Father in My Name He might give you. These words I command you, so that you love one another. If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own, but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, for that reason the world hates you”**.

The world loves the “how to get happiness” preachers, but do you see that the ability to gain whatever we ask by faith is in the context of laying down our lives for others, and being hated by the world system? What the Apostles asked in His Name was not for selfish gain – but for the glory of Yahuweh and Yahushua and Their Kingdom. John 15:7: **“IF you abide in Me, and My Word abides in you, you shall ask what you will and it shall be done for you.”** Abiding in Him and His Word are characteristics of the humble, submissive, gentle, quiet and calm, contrite, repentant, and yielded set-apart ones.

Isaiah 57:15: **“For thus declares the high and exalted One who dwells forever, whose name is set-apart, I dwell in the high and set-apart place, with him who has a bruised and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the bruised (contrite) ones”**.

Isaiah 66:1-2: **“Thus says Yahuweh, The heavens are My throne, and the earth is My footstool. ...and all these My hand have made and all these that exist, declares Yahuweh. Yet to such I look: on him who is poor and bruised in spirit, and who trembles at My Word”**.

Yahushua gave Mark 11, and John 15:7; 16:23-24 to men who had LEFT EVERYTHING TO FOLLOW HIM! These were humble men who had given up even their lives to follow Him. To this “hundred fold” comes the hundred-fold blessing (Luke 18:28-30). Read Deuteronomy 28:1-2: These are the conditions for blessing. Yet, the greedy read Deuteronomy 28:3-13 and command these things loud and clear that they are the “head and not the tail”, yet they are the tail, because they have disobeyed Deuteronomy 28:1-2, which says: **“And it shall be that IF you DILIGENTLY OBEY the voice of Yahuweh your Elohim, to GUARD to DO ALL HIS COMMANDMENTS, which I command you this day, that Yahuweh your Elohim shall set you high above the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you IF YOU OBEY THE VOICE OF YAHUWEH YOUR ELOHIM”**.

The average American, for example, obeys literally hundreds of man-made laws daily, just to fit into the American culture – federal laws, state laws, laws at work, laws at school, traffic laws, social club laws, family laws, church laws, Post Office laws, and on

and on. Yet, when it comes to obeying the teachings, instructions, right-rulings, statues, judgments and laws of the Kingdom of Heaven given to us by the Creator of the Universe, so many Christians angrily says: "We're not under Law, we're under grace"! Pathetic!

If you do not act on what you believe – you do not believe it! If He is instructing you to do something and you throw obstacles – excuses – in His face, then there is judgment. Right now, we are determining our eternal reward, and our eternal positioning. He wants us to learn to "walk by faith and not by sight"! (II Corinthians 5:7)

Some people think that walking by faith is a "New Testament" thing, but see what Habakkuk 2:4 says: "**THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY HIS FAITH**". What most people do not understand is that the ancient Hebrews who guarded the Torah of Yahuweh, given through Moses, did not think that their good deeds of "law-keeping" would get them eternal life. They did not believe in "salvation by works". They knew that if faith was not mixed with their works, then their offerings and obedience was voided. It was the Jews after the Babylonian captivity that began making their own traditional laws of "salvation by works" and laying bondages on people. Messiah Yahushua and His Apostles fought these "Judaizers". (See Matthew 23) These are the Jews who ordered Messiah's death and who were behind the deaths of many Apostles.

Hebrews 4 tells us that they fell in the wilderness because they did not mix their works with faith. They doubted His goodness. ALL SIN has its source in DOUBTING HIS GOODNESS. (Psalm 78:21-22) So the Hebrews who came out of Egypt by His mighty hand perished, a whole generation, except Joshua and Caleb, in the wilderness, because they did not walk by faith. The Tenach is full of faith teaching. The "church" again has lied to us. Enoch and Elijah both were translated because they walked with Elohim. They both lived a long time before Messiah came. Ezekiel was "filled with the Spirit". You can't be filled with Yahuweh's spirit if you are not born from above. King David was "a man after Elohim's own heart".

Peter walked the faith walk every believer should walk. He got out of the boat and He walked on water. He did it. Who cares if he started sinking and got scared – He did it. Would you have gotten out of the boat to walk on water in a stormy Lake? He did – going to Yahushua.

YOU WILL NEVER EXPERIENCE A MIRACLE LIFE UNLESS you get out of the boat and walk on water to go to Messiah. A miracle is simply His intervention into the world of the natural. It is where Eternity reaches down into the earthly and changes things immediately!

How can you find out what Yahuweh can do if you never allow Him to hold

your hand out on the water? **Walking on the water is symbolic for trusting Him with no visible support that gives us comfort!**

The guys in the boat had to sit there and watch Peter out there on the water with Yahushua. **Unless you step out and do something to show Him you're ready to trust Him, your life will be like everyone else's – a product of what you can do.** He will have to remove us from all boats that we have created, so that we either walk on water or sink.

Our disobedience can backlash on our selves – our finances, our health, our home-life, but also on our children, our parents, our brothers and sisters. You will pay a high price for disobedience! I've paid a very high price to walk on water. But, this price has its rewards. He even instructed me to blow up the boat! Now it is just He and I. Am I scared? Most of the time NO! I do have some moments. I'm human. But, I have walked with Him for so many years and seen Him do so many things for me, for others, through my ministry, that I KNOW HIM. I can trust Him. He can trust me. I'm not special – this life is for you too. It is a very hard life, because it goes against the grain of the whole world system, and incurs the hate of Satan and his demonic forces.

Therefore, there is much spiritual warfare to be done to stay free. But, I count it worth it! In II Corinthians 4 and 6, Paul tells about his sufferings. Going from point A to point B in the service of Yahuweh, aside from demonic attacks and attacks from nasty people, we have different kinds of deprivation and suffering. He was in the waters of the Mediterranean for three days because the boat he was on sunk. That's life!

Jeremiah 9:23-24: **"Thus says Yahuweh: `Let not the wise boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty boast in his might, nor let the rich boast in his riches, but let him who boasts, boast in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am Yahuweh, doing kindness, right-ruling, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight', declares Yahuweh".** Can you boast like this?

Regularly, people ask me questions like: "What made you decide to move to Jordan?" I don't decide anything. So, at the end of 1998, after returning from Africa, the Father spoke clearly to me: "I want you to give everything you have away and move to Jordan". I said: "Yes". With my "Yes", He gave me joy. He always gives joy to us when we say "Yes".

In April of 1999, I was in Jordan. I left my family, my home, my land inheritance, my possessions, my job, and my reputation –for I was slandered very much. I took three suitcases of clothes and personal things. Now it is almost 8 years that I have been here. Do I regret obeying Him? Absolutely NOT! What if I had not obeyed? My life would certainly not be as full. I would not know Him like I do now.

From 1989 until 2001, I had my own corporation 501C in Texas. I was the International Director. I was a “mover and a shaker”. I got things done. I have a very organized mind and a business background, so I had checklists every day. I was going to different countries all the time, teaching many places, and so I had all that organized too.

Then He brought me here to the Middle East—to Moses’ wilderness--and took all that away from me. He took away all my moving and shaking. I had to learn to rest, wait, be quiet, and not do anything unless He said so. I had to get rid of my natural human logic and just obey Him. I had to learn to depend on Him and not my brilliant planning. All my ducks were taken away—so I could not put them in a row. Everything that had brought me fulfillment was taken away. Now, I am **“coming up out of the wilderness leaning on My Beloved”**. (Song of Songs 8:5)

He will have a remnant that He will bring into this actual same wilderness here in Edom, a Bridal remnant, where she will learn to totally depend on Him for everything. She will be stripped of the “self life” so that she might take on His life as her Bridegroom! **IF you try to control things—get all your ducks in a row—make sure everything on your checklist is checked off, before you obey Him... then you will never get out of your boat to walk on water.**

Yes, there are storms on the water! But as with Peter, Messiah was right there to make sure he did not sink. Messiah said when Peter got scared: “Where is your faith”. Yahushua Messiah was having so much fun out there with Peter! You really get to know someone when you’re on an adventure with them. People who climb Mt. Everest together, really get close. How can you “run the race with patience” if you’ve got all your stuff on your back? Lighten up, downsize--**get ready for the finish line is near!**

I Corinthians 9:25-26: **“Do you not know that those who run in a race indeed all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way as to obtain it... Therefore I run accordingly, not with uncertainty. Thus I fight, not as one who beats the air. But, I treat my body severely and make it my slave, so that when I have proclaimed to others, I myself will not be rejected”. FAITH CAUSES US TO PRESS ON TO THE FINISH LINE WITHOUT QUITTING!**

How do you know you can trust Him? You don’t know—until you let Him put you in a place where you have to trust Him. It is an on-going process of learning to know Him. **DO NOT COMPARE what He’s asked you to do, with what He’s asked someone else to do!** In John 21 Messiah was talking to Peter about his assignment, and Peter looked over and saw John. Peter asked Messiah: “What about him”. Messiah reprimanded him, letting him know it was none of his business what John’s assignment was, Peter was to follow Him. Let’s keep our nose in our own business and press

forward – we’re in a race for a reward.

His compliment: **“good and faithful servant”** (Matthew 25) will go to the faithful. It is not based on the size of the assignment. **Faith means trusting His judgment over ours.** One day, in 1986, I was crying because “God” wouldn’t give us the house we wanted. He stopped me and cut across my fit. He spoke to my spirit: “Did I tell you that was your house?” That shocked me. I thought a minute and I said “No”. He said something I want you to know: **“IF I DO NOT TELL YOU SOMETHING IS YOURS, IT IS NOT YOURS”**. Just because something is in the Bible promised to someone in the Bible, does not mean that you can claim it unless He specifically tells you it is yours. He is VERY PERSONAL WITH HIS SERVANTS. **“Not my will, but Yours be done...”** is the prayer.

So many are finding a Bible verse and using it to claim things that are not theirs. We don’t have the right to pray for things that are outside His will for us! If you are known as one who prays, you are most likely inundated with “prayer requests” that go all the way from Aunt Susie’s broken toe, to praying for the martyrs of Indonesia. **You must ask Him what He wants in each case, so that you do not pray incorrectly according to what YOU THINK is right.**

(I John 5:14-15) Prayer is mostly to hear – not to give Him our Santa Claus list. He answers His own will! He answers His own Word--when it is prayed back to Him by someone who knows Him and knows what He wants.

II Peter 1:20-21: **“...no prophecy of Scripture came to be because of one’s own interpretation, for prophecy never came by the desire of man, but men of Elohim spoke, being moved by the Set-Apart Spirit”**.

Deuteronomy 4:2: **“Do not add to the Word, which I command you, and do not take away from it...”**

Ecclesiastes 3:14: **“I know that whatever Elohim does is forever. There is no adding to it, and there is no taking from it. Elohim does it that men should fear before Him”**.

Most people on this earth have lost the “fear of Yahuweh”. Yet, the Word says: **“The fear of Yahuweh is the beginning of wisdom”**. (Proverbs 9:10)
TRUE FAITH IS ROOTED IN THE FEAR OF YAHUWEH.

Our graduation is near. II Corinthians 5:10: **“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Messiah, that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to what he has done, whether it be good or bad”**.

We are soon to receive our eternal position. The highest positions cost the highest price in our obedience. Many are playing “Jonah”, and they are falling into the sea of trouble. I am afraid that there is no whale to swallow them. Now, time is short. We must do what He has placed in our spirit without childish whining and fear and stubbornness. It is time to obey – look at what disobedience cost the sons of Jacob – it cost them everything (Numbers 13 and 14). Meditate on those chapters! Jeremiah 18:10: “...evil in My eyes is not obeying My voice”.

It is sin to tell Him “NO” or “WAIT” --when He’s asking you do something. It is not an option for us! We are bond slaves – a bond slave cannot tell the Master “NO” or “Wait until I feel like it”, or “Wait until I have all my ducks in a row, then I’ll do what You want”. This attitude brings judgment – He backs off. This attitude vexes (torments) the Spirit of Yahuweh. Messiah died for us – the least we can do is to die to our self-life and follow Him!

Do you see how much rebellion we have gotten into our responses and attitudes? Hebrews 3:17-4:1: “**And with whom was He grieved forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose corpses fell in the wilderness? And to whom did He swear that they would not enter into His rest, but to those who did not obey? So we see that they were UNABLE to enter in because of unbelief.**

Therefore, since a promise remains of entering into His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it.” Faith talk is no good without the obedience walk. Unbelief in His promises simply leads to disobedience to His commands. (I Corinthians 10:1-12)

They fell from their own stubbornness, rebellious, and disobedience, because of their unbelief in the greatness and goodness and power of Yahuweh. Unbelief in His ability to care for you is the greatest of all sin. It is the sin of the Garden of Eden. Because Eve doubted His goodness and His ability to give them what is best, she fell for the lies of Satan in the guise of Lucifer – the shining one – the one who looked so good with his good-looking tree. **Faith believes in His** goodness--no matter what the circumstances look like. Fear is faith in reverse – it doubts His goodness. Yet: Psalm 16:11.

The true faith-walk is found in Matthew 6:19-33 – putting your treasure where He is, and not on this earth. “**Here on earth we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come**”. (Hebrews 13:14) If you are waiting for ideal conditions before you step out of your comfort zone – think again. There are not going to be any ideal conditions from now on!

Our Elohim is a “man of war” (Exodus 15:3). In the times ahead He is looking for a

remnant that will do “exploits” in His Name (Daniel 11:32). Jeremiah 12:5: Father speaks to a grieved and worn out Jeremiah: **“If you have run with the footmen and they have wearied you, then how will you contend with horses? And if in the land of peace where you trusted they wearied you, then how will you manage in the jungles of the Jordan?”** These are questions directed at us!

Just before his martyrdom the Apostle Paul (Sha’ul) said: **“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have guarded the faith. For the rest, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Master, the righteous Judge, shall give to me on that Day, and not to me only, but also to all those loving His appearing”.** (II Timothy 4:7-8)

If you “love His appearing” more than you love your life, then you too will fight the good fight against the enemy in yourself (sin), and in the world. It is said that when Paul was to have his head cut off in the Roman arena to the cheer of the crowds, that he ran to the executioners and laid his head down without being pushed. He was ready. He had overcome.

Daniel 2 and Revelation tell us that the anti-messiah, world ruler, will “wear out the set-apart ones” and “overcome” them if possible. That is why Messiah says: **“BUT WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMES, WILL HE FIND FAITH ON THE EARTH?”** (Luke 18:8) Will He find anyone who is steadfastly still trusting Him? Will He find anyone who knows how to reach the heart of His Father in prayer, because they know Him. Yes, He will find a few, a very few. He wants to find the Bride’s faith in Him – that faith borne of tremendous love and faithfulness. She is the one marked because of her blamelessness before Him. Her faith in Him is undaunted. Yes, there will be a Bridal remnant.

Revelation 14:9-13: **“And a third messenger sounded (*his trumpet*)...saying ‘If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark upon his forehead or upon his hand, he also shall drink of the wine of the wrath of Elohim, which is poured out undiluted into the cup of His wrath... And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever. And they have no rest day or night – those worshipping the beast and his image, also if anyone receives the mark of his name. Here is the endurance of the set-apart ones, here are those guarding His commandments and the faith of Yahushua. And I heard a voice out of heaven say to me... ‘Blessed are the dead who die in the Master from now on.’ ‘Yes’, says the Spirit, ‘in order for them to rest from their labors and their works follow them’”.**

You might say: “What about mercy and grace”? You must examine the Scriptures through the whole Bible--from Genesis to Revelation. Mercy and grace are given to the obedient – to those who are His servants, not to the lazy. The foolish virgins were

granted no mercy. The “lukewarm” He vomits them out of His mouth. Examine Matthew 13 – when He gets ready to divide, He divides with no mercy. He uses people to warn of coming judgment – that’s His mercy. The word “hased” is used in the Tenach for “loving kindness”. It means to nurture as a baby in the womb. That’s our Father’s loving mercy and grace. Grace began when Yahuweh killed the first animal in the Garden of Eden to clothe Adam and Eve, because of their sin. Read through Psalm 103 – His blessings are given to those who fear Him, and those who guard His covenant.

I close with this Scripture from Hebrews 12:1-2: **“We too, having so great a cloud of witnesses all around us, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Yahushua, the Author and Finisher of our faith...”**

Love and Shalom,
Yedidah
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MY NOTE: If you don’t read the Scriptures along with my articles, then my articles will be almost useless to you – going into your brain and out of your brain. But, if you read each one of the Scriptures given, then you can hear what the Spirit of Truth is saying to you directly. He will give you further instruction. My articles are just designed to get people to study for themselves.

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