

**Lesson No. 141 – The Reason for The Season,**  
**Part Three – The Journey**

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Congratulations to all of you who participated in and are having a successful training camp of unleavening. At the beginning of these seven days, we removed all known leaven from our homes, as commanded. For the past six days, we have all eaten unleavened bread each day, as commanded. Each day of our respective training camps, as we eat the bread of affliction, we made a good faith effort to purge out the old leaven from our souls, as commanded. Today, we are closing out our training camps with the prayerful hope that we will be prepared to take on the next phase of our annual journeys, as we have been called. This is why tonight, we will discuss Lesson No. 141 – The Reason for the Season, Part Three – The Journey.

To begin, let's briefly recap the unleavening period ending tonight.

- Exo 12:18 In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

This commandment is for the beginning of the seven-day Feast of Unleavened Bread. We are also commanded to eat unleavened bread on the 14<sup>th</sup> day, the Passover. Thus, this is an eight (8)-day period. So, for 8 days we shall eat unleavened bread. Now, this was the first command of the days of Unleavened Bread.

- Exo 12:19 **Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses**: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Yisrael, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

Next, we are told that for seven (7) days no leaven is to be found in our houses. This is the second command of the days of Unleavened Bread. And this 7-day command comes with a penalty. Anyone eating anything leavened shall be cut off from the congregation.

- Exo 12:20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

On the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the month we were to eat unleavened bread until the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the month at even, tomorrow evening. For seven (7) days there was to be NO LEAVEN found in our homes. I wonder what that next statement regarding being cut off means in the metaphorical spiritual sense? Later in this lesson, we will understand that this still stands, yet on a higher spiritual level. During this period, we were to eat nothing leavened, and conversely, we were to eat unleavened bread.

Now, let's try and put a little perspective on this. The greater metaphorical picture being used here by ELOHIM is on what we eat, using physical food as a metaphor for eating spiritual food. Where did this all begin? Was it with the establishment of the nation of Yisrael? Let's refresh our minds.

- Gen 2:15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. Gen 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: Gen 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

In the very beginning, ELOHIM began this metaphor of eating food as the primary teaching method for HIS primary creation, mankind. In doing so, man was told not to eat from this particular tree. ELOHIM later would formalize this command as a holy day and holy week to HIS called-out nation and to HIS called-out ones who accept HIS WORD. From the beginning, that tree in the garden has been feeding its lies to mankind.

- Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? Gen 3:2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: Gen 3:3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. Gen 3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: Gen 3:5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. Gen 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

This deception still lingers because many truly believe this is talking about a physical tree and physical fruit. They have yet to bridge the gap presented by the entire presentation in ELOHIM's WORD.

- Gen 3:9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? Gen 3:10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself. Gen 3:11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? Gen 3:12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. Gen 3:13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Verse 11 seems to have gone over so a lot of heads. ELOHIM knew that the man and woman had been told something forbidden and immediately equated their being told something with their eating of the tree. Up until New Covenant times, the primary method of eating spiritual food was by hearing. It was the spoken word.

Later, during the Apostolic era, it became both the spoken word and the written word, because they had the Old Covenant scriptures to read, and the direct words from YAHWEH HIMSELF, YAHSHUA, captured in written testimony by those who walked with HIM.

Adam and Eve had become leavened by a type of fruit the prophets would make plain to those who trust in ELOHIM's WORD.

- Hos 10:12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for *it is* time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you. Hos 10:13 **Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies:** because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

And this is something that we are given 8 days to practice, how not to trust in our own way. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil constantly advises mankind to do that. The more we trust our own thoughts without first seeking ELOHIM's thoughts as our guide to lead us, we eat of this forbidden tree by eating its leaven.

The concept of food and leavened bread was on full exhibition when YAHSHUA was tempted right after HIS baptism.

- Mat 4:1 Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. Mat 4:2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. Mat 4:3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. Mat 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

YAHSHUA made it plain!

So, we see that from the very beginning it has been about the spiritual food that we should be ingesting and the leaven we should be eliminating from our souls, the mind and the body. Here YAHSHUA sends each of us HIS message of the season. It is not about the physical bread, it is all about EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS FROM THE MOUTH OF ELOHIM! This understanding is the most important teaching that we as “called-out ones” must be clear about. ELOHIM’s WORD is all about duality. YAHSHUA told the tree “it is written”. Let’s go and look at where it is written.

- Deu 8:1 **All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply**, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers. Deu 8:2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, **to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.**

The journey we travel each year is not unlike that of the wilderness experience of the Children of Yisrael (COY). It is meant to humble and prove us to know what is in our hearts, whether we will obey ELOHIM or not. Now notice the method YAHWEH ELOHIM used with the COY in the wilderness.

- Deu 8:3 And **he humbled thee**, and **suffered thee to hunger**, and **fed thee with manna**, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; **that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.**

YAHSHUA quoted these words to the tree, and in so doing, HE referenced these words as coming from the mouth of ELOHIM. And yet, technically, they came from directly from HIS own mouth as YAHWEH of ELOHIM.

YAHWEH's use of physical hunger was designed to teach the COY to rely on the spiritual bread from above. For the most part the COY did not grasp this. Isn't this picturesque of the COY in this day of modernity. They have heard "the fruit of lies" in so many ways.

At the same time, they have been fed the manna from above and still refuse to accept what YAHWEH is telling them here and told us through HIS words. HE uses this metaphor throughout HIS words given to HIS disciples.

- Mat 6:10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven. Mat 6:11 **Give us this day our daily bread.**

When we say this prayer, what are we thinking about? Are we simply thinking about our physical sustenance? For sure we need our physical sustenance. However, to desire the Kingdom to come and ELOHIM's will be done on the earth, requires the spiritual bread from above, YAHSHUA. I.e., we must clearly recognize that even here, ELOHIM's duality must be recognized. As we travel on our individual journeys, each day, we will need the spiritual manna from above each day because of the daily temptations along the journey that always urges us to lean unto our own understanding.

- Mat 16:1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.

Isn't it interesting how the Pharisees, the scribes, and the Sadducees were always tempting YAHSHUA, just like the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?

- Mat 16:2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.* Mat 16:3 And in the morning, *It will be foul weather today: for the sky is red and lowring.* O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the signs of the times?

- Mat 16:4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

This was the second time the Pharisees had asked this same question. Hold you place here and let's briefly go back to Mathew 12.

- Mat 12:38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee. Mat 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: Mat 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Mat 12:41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here. Mat 12:42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.

YAHSHUA had already answered the Pharisees in detail on this sign. In chapter 16 they returned with some Sadducees, the legal minds of the COY. And just like them, this is the food that has flown over the heads of the entire so-called Christian world of modernity, just like the identity of the tree and the fruit in the midst of the garden. You see, the Pharisees, the spiritual leaders of the COY, refused to accept that manna from above. This provided YAHSHUA the opportunity to teach HIS disciples and us a great lesson on the duality of eating and leaven.

- Mat 16:5 And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread. Mat 16:6 Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

- Mat 16:7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread.

We see that the metaphoric and duality principle was even vague to the disciples in the beginning. And if that was so, we can readily understand how the COY didn't get it then, as well as now.

- Mat 16:8 Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread? Mat 16:9 Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? Mat 16:10 Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? Mat 16:11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake *it* not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees? Mat 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

It took YAHSHUA providing HIS disciples with additional spiritual food for them to digest the food HE had already given them. It may be possible that it was here that the disciples truly began to understand what the Appointed Time of Unleavened Bread was all about. The doctrine of the Pharisees and the Sadducees was leaven they were to empty out, just like the food from the tree in the garden, just like the leaven that speaks out against anything that is in ELOHIM's WORD to us.

Let's recognize the primary issue in which YAHSHUA is enlightening "called-out ones" of here, the ultimate proof of HIS Messiahship, the sign of Jonas. As we have witnessed over this weekend of Easter observances, the tree in the midst of the garden has so fed modernity its leaven to the extent they are too full to receive the simplicity of the sign.



What I find sadly fascinating about these days is how full traditional Christians, as well as some “called-out ones”, have become by not accepting the food given us directly by YAHSHUA HIMSELF. The sign came from HIS own mouth. The New Covenant Passover baptism came from HIS own mouth. Both were provided for a profound purpose.

- 1Co 10:16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? 1Co 10:17 For we *being* many are one bread, *and* one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.

As “called-out ones” our first responsibility is to do exactly what YAHSHUA said to the tree as it tempted HIM. As we proceed in our greater training camps, we must live by every word that proceeds from ELOHIM’s mouth. To do this, we must believe that every word given to mankind from YAHWEH/YAHSHUA comes from ELOHIM. As we do so, we become one bread, one body, and are partakers of that one bread, YAHSHUA.

Sometimes we fail to connect the dots in the WORD of ELOHIM as it is given to us by YAHWEH/YAHSHUA, HIS prophets, and certainly, HIS apostles. Let’s revisit something we studied long ago and notice the connection to this week.

- Gal 5:1 **Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.** Gal 5:2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing. Gal 5:3 **For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.** Gal 5:4 **Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.**

Now remember, this book, just like all of the Apostles’ writings, is written only to “called-out ones”.

Thus, the Apostle Paul is saying to “called-out ones” that if after being called and selected, they become physically circumcised, Christ “is come of no effect to you”, and what’s more, you “are fallen from grace”.

- Gal 5:5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. Gal 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.

I., e., physical circumcision has been removed from the spiritual equation. Someone apparently tried to interject its necessity into the minds of the “called-out ones” in Galatia, just as it continues even until these days of modernity. Yet, notice how the Apostle concluded this discussion about physical circumcision.

- Gal 5:7 **Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?** Gal 5:8 This persuasion *cometh* not of him that calleth you. Gal 5:9 **A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.**

The Apostle clearly establishes that this persuasion about physical circumcision was not of the truth in verse 7. And then, in verse 9, he establishes a very important connection. This persuasion on physical circumcision represents a form of leaven, which can leaven the whole lump. What is the lump here? It is the person who eats this food, this leaven. In verses 3 and 4 he presents the sad picture of those “called-out ones” who eat this leaven. Yet let’s remember the duality. Leaven can also leaven the greater lump, the fellowship of “called-out ones”. And this is truly what this Appointed Time is all about. As we conclude this mighty Appointed Time, let’s go back and remind ourselves of one of the greatest moments in the COY’s history which we read about last week.

- 2Ch 30:21 And the children of Yisrael that were present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness: and the Levites and the priests praised the LORD day by day, *singing* with loud instruments unto the LORD.

These COY had gone up to Yerushalem to keep the Appointed Time seven days with great gladness. Even though they ate the bread of affliction each of the seven days, they did so with great gladness. The priests gave praise to YAHWEH day by day with the musical instruments unto YAHWEH.

- 2Ch 30:22 And Hezekiah spake comfortably unto all the Levites that taught the good knowledge of the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast seven days, offering peace offerings, and making confession to the LORD God of their fathers.

Obviously, the Levites taught the good word of YAHWEH each and every day as they ate the bread of affliction throughout the seven days. We see the spiritual food being eaten at the time the physical food was eaten. There were offerings of peace and making confessions to YAHWEH. As we look back on these past seven days, can any of us say that we came close to this great celebration?

- 2Ch 30:23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep other seven days: and they kept *other* seven days with gladness.

They did not want this spiritual high to end. I obviously was not a part of such a great assembly. I did however manage to humbly seek ways to make peace offerings. I did make confessions to ELOHIM. I am sure each of you did the best that you could to honor each and every one of these days. Our offerings before ELOHIM matter. I am certain there is a testimony amongst us if we were so inclined to give it.

These last seven days have been our training camps. How hard we trained, how hard we needed to train, was based on our individual needs. If we are honest with ourselves, each of ELOHIM's "called-out ones" no doubt has great need to train harder. Let this be our prayer for one another as we enter into phase two, the training camp of the journey we are about to embark on.

As we continue this great story of the COY, we see how they embarked on their journey. They did not just sit on the jubilation that had just experienced. They then took action.

- 2Ch 31:1 Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.

The COY were one accord. When they left Jerusalem, they got busy. The commandment to remove the leaven from their homes had been extended to destroy the groves, the high places and the altars of pagan worship out of all the land of Judah, Benjamin, Ephraim and Manasseh. Then they returned to their homes, in their own cities. Wouldn't you say they had a very, very successful phase one of their training camp?

This is such a great lesson for each of us who seek to worship ELOHIM in "spirit and in truth". Our training camps of the Appointed Time of Unleavened Bread will not be successful without the repentant actions that must follow.

And sometimes, our acts of repentance simply are not just about the need for each of us to individually change, it is also about our repenting of the circumstances that surround us, particularly during these most high times. I want to read something else we read last week but we need to gain a better understanding of its message.

- 1Co 5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.

By now we know this scripture quite well.

This is an extension of YAHWEH's commandment to each "called-out one" on how we are to keep the Appointed Time. We are to eliminate the leaven of malice and wickedness, while ingesting and digesting the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. However, I want us to focus on the duality of scripture as it is presented here.

- 1Co 5:9 I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators: 1Co 5:10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.

After the Apostle challenged us on how to keep the Appointed Time he speaks about how he wrote to these "called-out ones" about not keeping company with fornicators. However, he realized that he must be a little more specific on his instructions. He is not saying not to accompany altogether those who are fornicators, covetous, extortioners and idolaters in the world. Why, because everywhere we turn in this world, this is what we will find. Turn on your TV, listen to your radio. Go to work. Go to school. Go to the gym. Go bicycling on the lakefront.

Now let's get to the true message the Apostle is giving them, which may be the more difficult part of this process for us in this age of modernity. And remember, this discourse began with instructions about the Appointed Time of Unleavened Bread.

- 1Co 5:11 But now **I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother** be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.

Now he gets quite specific as to who and what he is talking about. In verses 9 and 10 he talked about accompanying those who fit these descriptions in the world.

Remember earlier where we read in Exodus 12:19 “for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Yisrael”? Well, here in verse 11 the Apostle talks about not eating with a brother who meets these descriptions.

Who is this “brother” he is cautioning us not to eat with? I., e., he is talking about “called-out ones” who continue to eat the leaven of malice and wickedness during the Appointed Time. This is the duality of the Appointed Time.

As we individually eliminate the leaven of malice and wickedness, he is charging the “called-out ones”, as a group, to eliminate any so-called brother or sister who fits these descriptions from our Appointed Time celebrations. This also is supposed to be a part of our training camps.

- 1Co 5:12 For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? 1Co 5:13 But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

Those who are in the world are outside of the camp of the “called-out ones”. These we do not judge. ELOHIM is their judge, and HE alone calls them and draws them to YAHSHUA. But those who are fellow brothers and sisters, the body must judge and eliminate, hoping and praying they will come to their senses and repent.

Remember those who joined King Hezekiah during the Passover and the Appointed Time. They walked in a true spirit of oneness. When the “called-out ones” begin to walk as YAHSHUA desires them to walk, these actions will not be so difficult. This is why the Apostle knew he had to provide a more detailed explanation on this.

- 1Co 6:1 Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?

- 1Co 6:2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? 1Co 6:3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

The Appointed Time of Unleavened Bread is the first of the appointed training camps to train “called-out ones” how to endure while fulfilling the ultimate requirement. **Hold your places in 1Corinthians.**

- 1Pe 1:13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 1Pe 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: 1Pe 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; 1Pe 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

This is the bottom line of all of YAHWEH’s Appointed Times, beginning with the days of Unleavened Bread. “Called-out ones” are to be holy. As such, they are to separate themselves for the purpose of following in ELOHIM’s WORD.

- 1Co 6:4 If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church. 1Co 6:5 I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren? 1Co 6:6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers. 1Co 6:7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather *suffer yourselves* to be defrauded? 1Co 6:8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren. 1Co 6:9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

- 1Co 6:10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 1Co 6:11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

So, when we read the Apostle's words beginning with 1 Corinthians 5:6, we must recognize that the instructions on the Appointed Time continue through the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter so that we have the fulness of his instructions. This is why this Appointed Time is so important.

This Appointed Time could have easily been called the Appointed Time of Emptying, because this is what we are instructed to do. We empty the garbage, the leaven, to create space for the clean food, sincerity and truth, as well as Brothers and Sisters that are willing to become one, relying totally on ELOHIM's WORD together. This is also why YAHSHUA told HIS disciples the following:

- Mat 9:17 Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

If we are walking in sincerity and truth, we are constantly emptying. It does not stop with the Appointed Time. The training camp that follows the Appointed Time could also be called "the Period of Camp Implementation". If we allow ourselves to become like new wine bottles, we are also allowing ourselves to become the following:

- 1Co 5:6 Your glorying *is* not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? 1Co 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

During this week, we have trained on purging out the old leaven so that we might become new lumps.



The more successful our purging, the closer to becoming new wine skins we have become. The more successful our training camp, the more space we have created for the following to occur.

- Joh 16:12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

The greatest obstacle in understanding ELOHIM's WORD is in allowing ourselves to be too full. YAHSUA knew that HIS disciples had to be prepared to receive all that HE had for them. Even though they did not hesitate to follow HIM, they each came with some baggage that had to be eliminated. The Spirit of Truth cannot guide us in "all truth" if we have no space internally to receive it.

Something that always touches me greatly during the Appointed Time also is that the Spirit of Truth cannot guide us or fellow Brothers and Sisters, or even those in the world, until we are ready.

As we learn new truths, we must also constantly eliminate old errors. This allows you to continue to receive. What we receive is up to us. This training camp, the Appointed Time, was for our concentrated levels of purging and emptying. If we have been successful, the journey which follows will present opportunities to practice the progress. However, it will also present other opportunities to continue the process of purging. Consider the final product.

- Rev 7:13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? Rev 7:14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

- Rev 7:15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. Rev 7:16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. Rev 7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

The goal for each of us is to have our robes washed in the blood of the LAMB until they are as white as snow. When successful, this is our insurance that we will be wearing the proper wedding attire. The journey we are about to partake is a new training camp full of various and different obstacles we must also overcome. But guess what, we are more than prepared to conquer.

- 1Jn 4:1 **Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God:** because many false prophets are gone out into the world. 1Jn 4:2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: 1Jn 4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

If we have kept the Appointed Time as ELOHIM's WORD has instructed us, we are prepared to discern the spirits, whether they are of ELOHIM. We know that the spirit that leads anyone to not believe in the WORD of ELOHIM is a false spirit.

- 1Jn 4:4 **Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.** 1Jn 4:5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. 1Jn 4:6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

Notice how the Apostle refers to his audience as “little children”; those who have overcome and are prepared to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

These are the tough lessons we must learn from our Appointed Time training camps as we go out into the world. Many will not and cannot hear us because of their fulness of the doctrines that are not from ELOHIM. They are of the spirit of error. The days of Unleavened Bread teaches us how to humbly discern these as we journey.

- 1Jn 4:7 **Beloved, let us love one another**: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 1Jn 4:8 **He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.** 1Jn 4:9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. 1Jn 4:10 **Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

I spoke last year of how my wife and I had attended a jazz concert where an artist who follows in a long line of family traditions, stated he was all about Christ. Sadly, these traditions are entrenched with false doctrines paraded around in the world that have deceived the majority of like souls into believing they are walking in the light of HAMASHIAC. They don't know that HAMASHIAC is in fact YAHWEH ELOHIM of Yisrael. They don't know that YAHWEH ELOHIM of Yisrael came to this earth in HIS FATHER's name, YAHSHUA, to complete the instructions HE gave to the COY at Mt. Sinai after HE delivered them from Egypt.

They don't know that our Passover is a type of our delivery from modernity's Egypt, so full of false gods and doctrines. Our quest during our upcoming journeys is to continue to walk in YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC, knowing who HE truly is.

- 1Jn 4:11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. 1Jn 4:12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Isn't this the spirit in which Hezekiah and his followers walked as they left us a perfect guide on how to keep the Appointed Time for the commanded seven days as well as the days following the Appointed Time? The scripture testifies of their love for one another. The Apostle Yochanon continues.

- 1Jn 4:13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. 1Jn 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the world. 1Jn 4:15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

We are coming out of our Appointed Time with the true knowledge that YAHSHUA's desire for us is oneness with both HE and HIS FATHER, as well as with one another.

- 1Jn 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. 1Jn 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. 1Jn 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. 1Jn 4:19 We love him, because he first loved us. 1Jn 4:20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? 1Jn 4:21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

And this is the spirit with which we must walk through our journeys with; love of ELOHIM; love of YAHSHUA; and love of Brother and Sister. We already know what awaits us during the upcoming journeys.

So, let's remind ourselves of a few suggestions ELOHIM's WORD provides to us as we prepare for this version of our annual trek.

- Jas 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: Jas 1:20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Jas 1:21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. Jas 1:22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

Our tongues can heal or destroy, even when we have the best of intentions. We must tame it with the spirit of patience.

- Jas 1:23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: Jas 1:24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

By such actions we become spiritual hypocrites, no better than those that are in the world. Through our willingness to humbly submit to ELOHIM, we showed a boldness to partake of YAHSHUA's Passover and the bread of affliction. We must maintain this same humility in order to be strengthened to do what we have been trained to do.

- Jas 1:25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. Jas 1:26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion *is* vain. Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, *and* to keep himself unspotted from the world.

We now know what it means to keep ourselves unspotted from the world.

The Apostle James' (Yacob) instructions are perfect reminders for our post Appointed Time walk. Our mentality must be YAHSHUA centered. And the chief concerns of being YAHSHUA centered is obedience to ELOHIM and love for our Brothers and Sisters. Yet, each of us must also master our own ability to discern who are our Brothers and Sisters.

Before his fall, Solomon gave us this advice.

- Pro 4:13 Take fast hold of instruction; let *her* not go: keep her; for she *is* thy life. Pro 4:14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil *men*. Pro 4:15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away. Pro 4:16 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause *some* to fall. Pro 4:17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.

This is the bread we must discern and eliminate from our midst, especially during our most solemn occasions.

- Pro 4:18 **But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.** Pro 4:19 The way of the wicked *is* as darkness: they know not at what they stumble. Pro 4:20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

During our journey, this must be our attitude each day towards ELOHIM's WORD, and HIS WORD only.

- Pro 4:21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. Pro 4:22 For they *are* life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. Pro 4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life. Pro 4:24 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee. Pro 4:25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

- Pro 4:26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established. Pro 4:27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

And with these instructions embedded into our souls, we are now ready. Eight days ago, we were cleansed by ELOHIM by being once again washed and brought under the divine protection of the blood of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. At the conclusion of these 7 days, we should have trained our souls to feast on the manna from above, so that now we are more prepared to do as Solomon suggested.

- Mat 7:7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: Mat 7:8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Mat 7:9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Mat 7:10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? Mat 7:11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him? Mat 7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

Do unto others, as we would have them do unto us. We are ready to do this now that training camp is ending.

- Mat 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Mat 7:14 Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Solomon said we should turn not to the right or to the left. YAHSHUA said walk straight.

- Mat 7:15 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Mat 7:16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Mat 7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. Mat 7:18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

This will be the most difficult act of discernment we will face on our journeys, which is why each day we must ask for “our daily food”.

- Mat 7:19 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Mat 7:20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

We know that Satan presents himself as an angel of light, along with his ministers. Pray for discernment, even in the midst of the body. Why?

- Mat 7:21 Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Mat 7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Let us take heed that our journeys do not follow these paths. And finally, my Brothers and Sisters.

- Mat 7:24 Therefore **whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock**: Mat 7:25 And **the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not**: for **it was founded upon a rock**.



As we once again begin our annual journeys, phase 2 of our annual training camps, let each of us work together to ensure that we all ensure that our houses are founded upon the ROCK of our salvation. LET'S FOLLOW THE TRUNK! LET'S FOLLOW YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC!!

Shalom Brothers and Sisters!