

Lesson No. 162 – The Apostle’s Final Message To His Follower(s)

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Recently, I listened to two separate groups of Hebrew Yisraelites on Zoom conference calls towards the end of a Sabbath. Interesting enough, one of the groups remains in darkness about their identity because they tend to rely almost exclusively upon European-led teachings for their ultimate spiritual guidance regarding the Children of Yisrael (COY).

The other group has a clearer understanding of what ELOHIM’s WORD and history teaches about the COY, and tends to follow their pastor, who openly disagrees with the apostles of YAHSHUA, as well as the prophets of YAHWEH, on some key teachings about YAHWEH’s appointed times.

As we are currently approaching elections that many believe to be the most critical in modernity, both Gentiles (non-Yisraelites) and Yisraelites appear to be very split on what they know and believe about the candidates running for the highest political office of the USA.

However, for the Hebrew Yisraelite Brethren, who are the descendants of the pan-African slave trade, their lack of a cohesive voice saddens me beyond what I am able to express. Just for the record, having read the scriptures by the prophets of YAHWEH about the Biblical history and future prophecies about the COY, we can only conclude that the descendants of the pan-African slave trade in the USA, the Caribbean, and other nations of the world are clearly the true descendants of the COY.

We have studied the events to occur at the time that twelve prophets of YAHWEH describe as “in that day”, and now know unapologetically that the COY cannot return unto the land given to them by YAHWEH ELOHIM until YAHWEH HIMSELF returns for them. And when HE returns, HE HIMSELF identifies their locations and state of existence at that time.

- Isa 11:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that YAHWEH shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

These are the locations of the COY upon the return of YAHWEH. They exist in ALL of these nations in modernity.

- Isa 11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

These are the representative conditions of the COY upon the return of YAHWEH. They shall be outcasts and dispersed unto the four corners of the world.

- Isa 11:13 The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.

It will be then, and only then, that the envy of Ephraim (representing the nine tribes of the Nation of Yisrael) and the adversaries of Yehudah (representing the other three tribes) shall depart and be cut off. And, for all who wonder about this timing called “in that day”, YAHWEH ensured that the Prophet Isaiah informed us, and everyone else who care to read and accept the WORD of ELOHIM, the timetable of this recovery of the COY.

- Isa 11:1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: Isa 11:2 And the spirit of YAHWEH shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of YAHWEH;

- Isa 11:3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of YAHWEH: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: Isa 11:4 But **with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.** Isa 11:5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. Isa 11:6 **The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.** Isa 11:7 **And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.** Isa 11:8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. Isa 11:9 **They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of YAHWEH, as the waters cover the sea.** Isa 11:10 And **in that day** there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

For us, there is no further need to interpret these scriptures. We know that this describes the conditions on the earth when YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC returns for HIS second advent. So now, we should all clearly see that it is when HE returns for HIS second advent that the COY shall be recovered from their scattering from these nations and places described above; and not one day before “in that day”. The only need is for the Household of Faith to read and accept them to be true. And at that time, the following shall also happen.

- Isa 11:14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: **they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab;** and **the children of Ammon shall obey them.**

When the COY are recovered from the four corners of the earth and brought back to their land, they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab, and the children of Ammon shall obey them. Now this is quite interesting and also very inciteful to our knowledge because of the words of another prophet of YAHWEH.

- Amo 9:11 **In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen**, and close up the breaches thereof; and **I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old:**

So, until that day, the tabernacle of David is fallen and in ruins, but will be raised up when YAHWEH returns and restores HIS chosen nation to their land. And then we read this. And here is what will happen when this is accomplished.

- Amo 9:12 **That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called by my name, saith YAHWEH that doeth this.**

When the COY are recovered by YAHWEH upon HIS return “in that day”, they shall possess the remnant of Edom and the heathen, which shall be called by YAHWEH’s name. We of the Household of Faith in modernity simply need to open our eyes to see where the remnants of Edom and other heathen exist that are called by YAHWEH’s name. And for those who are not clear about this, YAHWEH had the prophets to give us further understanding on this, but perhaps none clearer than this oft quoted verse.

- 2Ch 7:14 **If my people, which are called by my name**, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

This was YAHWEH’s response to King Solomon about the COY, after Solomon prayed about his people, the COY.

It was the COY that were called by YAHWEH ELOHIM's name. So, we are speaking of the name Yisrael. As such, we know that when the COY shall be returned to their land, the occupants of that land, perpetrating themselves to be Yisrael, shall be Edomites (the descendants of Esau) and the heathen (European gentiles), that is, according to the WORD of ELOHIM.

And like ten other prophets, Amos shares a version of Isaiah's prophecies about what will happen "in that day".

- Amo 9:14 And **I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.** Amo 9:15 **And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith YAHWEH thy ELOHIM.**

These and other similar verses in the WORD of ELOHIM are why no one amongst the Household of Faith should be ignorant of the identity of modernity's COY. For those who know these things, it is no reason for them to be puffed up about a nation of people who have been scattered to the four corners of the world for their disobedience to YAHWEH, their ELOHIM. And yet, for those Yisraelites of the Household of Faith, there is no reason for our ignorance and rejection of who we are.

We were drawn by ELOHIM and called-out by YAHSHUA to read and accept all of what the WORD of ELOHIM has to teach us. This is the standard upon which we must walk by faith. Our faith must accept the spoken WORD written by YAHWEH's prophets, as well as the spoken WORD written by the apostles of YAHSHUA. And if we are of the HOUSEHOLD of Faith, we know also that simply knowing our physical identity does not give us preeminence over others.

In fact, we should know that our walks shall be all the more difficult because of the actions of our ancestors. And yet, knowing that YAHWEH chose members of this scattered nation to become the principal teachers of HIS WORD, should give us a spiritual pride to desire to get it all right.

And so, knowing these things, I want to take a walk with the words of one of the Yisraelite apostles of YAHSHUA, to one of his Yisraelite students, as his walk in this tabernacle of flesh was drawing to a close.

So, let's look at Lesson No. 162 – The Apostle's Final Message To His Follower(s).

- 2Ti 1:1 Paul, an apostle of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC by the will of ELOHIM, according to the promise of life which is in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA, 2Ti 1:2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from ELOHIM the Father and HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA our Lord.

Here, the Apostle Paul is writing to Timothy, whom he calls a “dearly beloved son”.

- 2Ti 1:3 I thank ELOHIM, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day; 2Ti 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. 2Ti 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of ELOHIM, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

The Apostle stresses his thanks for his remembrance of Timothy's unfeigned faith, and as such wants to stir up the gift of ELOHIM in Timothy when the Apostle laid hands on him. This very well may have happened at Timothy's baptism, or perhaps some other ordination. And without further evidence, I would probably accept that it was probably his baptism.

However, a little later we shall see that it was most likely at Timothy's ordination because of these words by the Apostle.

- 1Co 1:14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius; 1Co 1:15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name. 1Co 1:16 And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other. 1Co 1:17 For **HAMASHIAC sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel:** not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of HAMASHIAC should be made of none effect.

What we will read in these letters to Timothy are some of the most quoted Biblical verses in ELOHIM's WORD, particularly by those in modernity that call themselves Christians, and yet do not obey the commandments of ELOHIM, nor do they have the faith of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC.

- 2Ti 1:7 For **ELOHIM hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.** 2Ti 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of ELOHIM;

As we read these words of encouragement to Timothy, each member of the Household of Faith, whether of the COY or the nations, must decide the relevance of the Apostle Paul's teachings to Timothy in our lives. Have we had hands laid upon us in YAHSHUA's name, as Timothy no doubt had? If so, we too have not been given "the spirit of fear", even though the world of modernity all about us is trying to subvert our minds to live in fear.

And yet we, like Timothy, cannot be ashamed of the testimony of HAMASHIAC, whom we know was, is, and shall be the ELOHIM of the COY.

But if we think ourselves to be so blessed with the knowledge we each may have received of ELOHIM's WORD, the Apostle admonished Timothy "to be a "partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of ELOHIM". Think about that as we grow in our spiritual walks.

- 2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA before the world began, 2Ti 1:10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: 2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

There is a lot of those who claim to be saved, and here the Apostle states clearly that ELOHIM has saved "us" and called with a holy calling. What is the Apostle telling Timothy here, and who is this "us" that he is referring to?

We of the Household of Faith should clearly understand that there are three levels of being saved. One of course is physical. We read a lot about the COY being saved from impending physical destruction. We remember the words of Moses to them as they were about to be overrun by the chasing Egyptians.

- Exo 14:10 And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto YAHWEH.

In modernity, as the COY are scattered amongst the nations, there seems to always be symbolic Egyptians marching towards them, to do them harm. And even today, they are sore afraid. But, are they crying out to YAHWEH? Do they know that YAHWEH has come unto them and left them a great testimony to follow?

- Exo 14:11 And they said unto Moses, Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? Exo 14:12 *Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.*

Last week, as I listened in on the Zoom call of Hebrew Yisraelites, I heard similar voices of open desire to continue with the status quo because the Egyptians are still coming and spreading deliberate falsehoods to “keep the COY in check”. Some of you may have heard me speak about a European writer that appeared on the Tony Brown show back in the 80’s, as Tony asked this writer: “Why do the White corporate male powers fear the Black man”. The writer responded. “Tony, these white males of power know that if the Black man ever figures out who he is, he cannot be controlled”.

Here, those COY who knew who they were, cried out in fear. And yet, they openly expressed the desire to live under the oppression of the Egyptians.

- Exo 14:13 And Moses said unto the people, **Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of YAHWEH**, which he will shew to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more forever.

Moses attempted to come their fears, letting them know, today you will see the salvation of YAHWEH. YAHWEH was going to save them from the Egyptians.

- Exo 14:14 YAHWEH shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

He told them; YAHWEH shall fight for you. And then YAHWEH said this to Moses.

- Exo 14:15 And YAHWEH said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? **speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:**

YAHWEH said to them, “go forward”. This was the physical form of being saved by ELOHIM. This form of salvation, we all perhaps have testimonies. Recently, as I was out making a few stops, the big chandelier in our home fell. Why did it fall at a time that neither I nor my wife were home? Some might call it chance. We know that it was only by the grace of ELOHIM. And, one does not necessarily have to be of the Household of Faith for this to occur. But the Apostle Paul was speaking of a second form of salvation.

- Gal 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith HAMASHIAC hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

This is how the saints of YAHSHUA are saved today. They have been made free and saved from the yoke of bondage.

- Rom 6:17 But ELOHIM be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Rom 6:18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

Now, being made free from sin, we have become the servants of righteousness. However, this is a temporary spiritual form of being saved.

- Rom 8:24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? Rom 8:25 But if we hope for that we see not, *then* do we with patience wait for *it*.

This is what this temporary spiritual salvation is all about. We are saved by hope of a final verdict that requires us to do something else before we receive the promises inherent in this lively hope.

- Mat 24:13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

And here, from HAMASHIAC's own mouth, we learn that we must endure until the end to be saved. This third salvation we have not yet received. We are hoping for it. We yearn for it. We must endure in order to receive it.

- 2Ti 1:14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.

Here is another reference to the Holy Spirit that dwells in us. Some of us are awaiting a revelation on certain Biblical doctrines because we have had our ears tickled by those who lean either to their own understanding or the understanding of other so-called scholars for guidance. Not remembering that YAHSHUA said this about the Spirit of Truth.

- Joh 14:17 *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

So, YAHSHUA does say that the Spirit of Truth dwells with us and shall also be in us. How does this happen?

- Joh 14:26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, **he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance**, whatsoever I have said unto you.

In order for this to happen, we must have something already in us so that the Comforter can teach us all things, by bringing all things to our remembrance. We have to read. We have to immerse ourselves into ELOHIM's WORD. And as we become more and more entrusted with it, the Spirit of Truth works with us to the will of ELOHIM in each of our callings.

- 2Ti 2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA.

This message is for all of the Household of Faith. He made this plain to our Brethren in Ephesus as well.

- Eph 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in YAHWEH, and in the power of his might.

And after exhorting them to be strong in YAHSHUA, he told them how.

- Eph 6:11 **Put on the whole armour of ELOHIM**, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

This is why we have been given the Comforter. We become stronger the more we study the entire WORD of ELOHIM and become as little children to accept the whole armor. This is when the Comforter can work with us, so that we can stand and endure.

- 2Ti 2:3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. 2Ti 2:4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

He warns Timothy to endure hardness as a good soldier of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. This is true for each of us, that is if we also consider ourselves to be good soldiers of YAHSHUA.

- 2Ti 2:10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA with eternal glory.

Now the Apostle speaks of his own endurance, which he does for the elect's sakes.

This too is our challenge, for the elect's sake, according to our callings.

- 2Ti 2:11 *It is* a faithful saying: For if we be dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*: 2Ti 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:

We died with YAHSUA at our baptism, so that we might also live with HIM. In so doing, we shall suffer, that we might reign with HIM, and we will not deny HIM and so that HE will not deny us when HE returns.

- 2Ti 2:14 Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before YAHWEH that they strive not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers.

We read this recently. We should not strive about words to no profit. Some think that they should not vote in the upcoming election. Do we disagree? Even if we do, we should not strive with them. We do what we believe is right before ELOHIM, and so encourage others to do so, yet in meekness, knowing that the will of ELOHIM regarding HIS plan of salvation stands, regardless of how we vote. This makes it so interesting that the Apostle follows his words to Timothy about not striving with the following oft quoted scripture.

- 2Ti 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto ELOHIM, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2Ti 2:16 But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

We know that it is verse 15 that we most often quote. We know that we must study to show ourselves approved unto ELOHIM. By doing so we will not be ashamed in our discussions with others. We will rightly divide the word of truth, ELOHIM's WORD. And yet, note how the Apostle envelops this popular scripture with admonishments to not strive with others to no profit, and to shun profane and vain babblings.

What do you think profane and vain babblings are? The Greek word translated profane is “bebēlos”, and is only used in scripture by the Apostle Paul. However, reading the meanings is a little unclear, as it says “accessible, lawful to be trodden of places; unhallowed, common, public place; and of men, ungodly”. As such, there are only a few instances, and I believe one or two are worth reading for our understanding.

- 1Ti 1:9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, **for unholy and profane**, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,

Here it is linked to unholy. And as we read this verse, we should recognize that many use this verse to justify not keeping ELOHIM’s laws. They believe themselves to be righteous because that confess Jesus Christ, and yet, they do not obey Jesus Christ, whom we know to be YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. And finally, there is this scripture that is quite profound to modernity and the Household of Faith.

- Heb 12:14 Follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, without which no man shall see YAHWEH: Heb 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of ELOHIM; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble *you*, and thereby many be defiled;

As we walk in our callings and elections, it is important that we do so by following peace with all, and holiness. We know that we are different. We have been separated by our callings, and yet we must be peaceful as our lights shine before men. Without this diligent peace and understanding of our holiness, we may fall from ELOHIM’s grace, allowing for a root of bitterness that may defile us, as the following example is given.

- Heb 12:16 Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.

- Heb 12:17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

Esau sold his birthright for which he would have inherited the blessing. For this, he was considered to be a profane person. For this, he developed a root of bitterness for his brother Yisrael. He found no place of repentance.

Brothers and Sisters, in modernity this is on full display. Esau has planted himself in the land of Yisrael and is called Yisrael by the world at large. And even within the Household of Faith, the influence of Esau is on center stage as we prepare for the final appointed times of the year. Most of the European-led congregations shall honor Esau's postponement rules by moving the date of YAHWEH's appointed time of Atonement back a day, so that back to back Sabbaths are averted. This will cause the Appointed Time of Trumpets and Tabernacles to also be moved back one day.

Upon research, I now know that it is the teaching of Esau that has these same European-led congregation believing in a theory of chronology regarding scripture. And ultimately, it is Esau that has them believing that Satan plays a role in our atonement. They believe that the trumpets shall sound. After these trumpets sound, Satan shall be bound. And then we shall be changed to reign with HAMSAHIAC, as pictured by the first seven days of Tabernacles.

The Apostle continues to speak about those who subvert ELOHIM's WORD.

- 2Ti 2:17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; 2Ti 2:18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.

- 2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of ELOHIM standeth sure, having this seal, YAHWEH knoweth them that are his. And, **Let everyone that nameth the name of HAMASHIAC depart from iniquity.**

Imagine the confusion that is in the world about the resurrection. We have all heard the words at funerals of how the dead person now lives in heaven and is looking down upon us. I wonder why, if this were true, more persons do not desire to speed up their death.

Unfortunately, the resurrection is sorely undertaught. It is a foundation of the WORD of ELOHIM. And for those who are ELOHIM's, they are sealed. And because of this, we must depart from iniquity. I wonder, for those who think that the law is not applicable to them, how do they depart from iniquity? Hmmm!

- 2Ti 2:20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. 2Ti 2:21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work.

Now this is a very thought-provoking set of scriptures. Obviously, items in the house can be vessels made of materials such as gold, silver, wood and earth. And yet, verse 21 states that the man that purges those vessels of dishonor shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified and meet for the master's use. The MASTER is YAHSHUA. As such, these vessels of dishonor might very well be human vessels as well, as the following verse suggests.

- 1Pe 3:7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

Of course. this verse follows a discussion about Sarah's obedience to Abraham. Each member of the Household of Faith must take periodic inventory of these vessels of gold, silver, wood and earth, whether they be physical items or human, to discern whether or not they be worthy of honor or dishonor. And know that if there be human vessels of dishonor in the house, we diligently seek and wait for guidance from above before we begin our purge, knowing that different rules apply to physical objects versus human vessels.

- 2Ti 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on YAHWEH out of a pure heart. 2Ti 2:23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.

The Apostle then admonishes Timothy to flee youthful lusts and to follow righteousness, faith, charity and peace. And notice how he qualifies this admonishment. Timothy, and us, must “follow righteousness, faith, charity and peace, with them that call on YAHWEH out of a pure heart”.

Now, this may be one of the more difficult admonishments we will read in ELOHIM's WORD; to determine those who call on YAHWEH out of a pure heart. This is why we must at all times do the following.

- Heb 5:14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

It is rather obvious that with experience comes greater discernment. We know as well that we are charged to be humble, to become as little children. However, in so doing, along with our continued study and growth in ELOHIM's WORD, it should become as “strong meat” to us. This is what should allow us to discern both good and evil. Another Apostle chimes in on this.

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

In modernity, there are Christians whose understandings obviously are not based on any strong meat, truly are worshiping falsehoods. There are others, whose beliefs are far more ethnically-based (i.e., Blacks are Yisrael, or, whites are Yisrael), who teach and believe the WORD of ELOHIM in part.

Here is the problem. Each of these groups confess a form of belief in Jesus Christ. But is that what the Apostle Yochanon is saying. Notice, he says “every spirit that confesses that YAHSHUA HAMASHIA is come in the flesh”. This is specific to the knowledge that this YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC who has now come in the flesh, was once in the spirit as YAHWEH ELOHIM. Even within the Household of Faith, this understanding is not as clearly understood as it should be. Also inherent in the Apostle’s words is the fact that with this knowledge, these spirits have committed to obedience to YAHWEH ELOHIM, who gave up HIS deity to come to us as YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC.

The Apostle Paul added these words towards our discernment of those around us.

- 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. 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.

- 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 ELOHIM judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

Here the Apostle teaches us that as we obtain the strong meat of ELOHIM's WORD, we do and only judge those within the Household of Faith. We do not judge those who are without. But again, this is a part of the balancing act that we are now in training for, particularly as we head down the home stretch to this year's final appointed times. And perhaps this is why the Apostle also felt the need to caution Timothy and us on how we discern, how we judge. Perhaps this is how we avoid "foolish and unlearned questions".

- 2Ti 2:24 And the servant of YAHWEH must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, patient, 2Ti 2:25 **In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves**; if ELOHIM peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; 2Ti 2:26 And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

This is all about maintaining our humility in the face of obtaining that "strong meat". We are supposed to know that those ignorant to ELOHIM's WORD are opposing themselves because ELOHIM may not have yet given them "repentance to the acknowledging of the truth", even amongst many we believe to be of the Household of Faith. Partial truth can be dangerous because the falsehoods we have been fed and believe to be true can only come from one source; ultimately, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. And, we should know the following.

- 1Ti 2:3 For **this is good and acceptable in the sight of ELOHIM our Saviour**; 1Ti 2:4 **Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.**

This is ELOHIM's ultimate desire, to give all this opportunity. By inference, it is the knowledge of the truth that leads to one's being saved, obviously dependent on one's acceptance of the truth once the knowledge is obtained.

- 1Ti 2:5 For *there is* one ELOHIM, and one mediator between ELOHIM and men, the man HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA; 1Ti 2:6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

This is the knowledge of the truth that all must clearly understand. But it is not simply about emotion. It is about the truth of the fulness of YAHSHUA, who gave HIMSELF as a ransom.

- 2Ti 3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2Ti 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 2Ti 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 2Ti 3:4 Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of ELOHIM; 2Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

We know that, although this has been happening since the last days began thousands of years ago, we are seeing these attributes growing in today's modernity, and sadly, within the communities of modern-day COY. There was a statement by an NBA coach recently. He said, "why do we continue to love a country that refuses to love us back". What this coach does not know is that engaging in these perilous actions is totally unacceptable to ELOHIM for our communities, which is why the punishment for this is even more perilous to the COY than others.

- 2Ti 3:6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

- 2Ti 3:7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

The Apostle is telling Timothy and us that those doing these things described in verses 1 thru 5 “lead captive silly women laden with sins. Led away with divers lusts”. Here, the KJV translators should simply have written diverse, rather than divers, because that is what the Greek word “poikilos” means.

Now consider what we are now learning about many of these silly women. We are learning that they are now encouraging their men to allow them to sexually allow them to perform the normal functions of the male to these men. Perhaps this is a subtle retaliation for these actions of the men of the COY for what the Apostle is describing in the last days.

And after describing the persecution he suffered at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra, and how ELOHIM delivered him, he wrote this to us.

- 2Ti 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA shall suffer persecution.

I am sure that each of us have had to endure some form of persecution, particularly since we began to come into the knowledge of the truth. It probably has not been to the level of what Paul and the other apostles have suffered, but nevertheless, it exists and shall continue to exist.

- 2Ti 3:13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

Brothers and Sisters, the persecution and the deceit are going to get worse. This is why he told Timothy and us to do this.

- 2Ti 3:14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; 2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA.

This is for everyone of the Household of Faith that lives in accordance with knowing the holy scriptures, ELOHIM's WORD. It is these that can make us wise unto salvation through faith in HAMASHIAC YAHSHUA. This is where the Apostle makes one of the most potent statements of teaching in ELOHIM's WORD.

- 2Ti 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of ELOHIM, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 2Ti 3:17 That the man of ELOHIM may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

There are many Hebrew Yisraelite groups that teach that “all scripture” is simply the Old Covenant. We must ask ourselves this question. Does the Old Covenant alone make the man of ELOHIM perfect and thoroughly furnished unto all good works? The Household of Faith should know that scripture is the “law and the testimony”. Why would anyone walking in the faith in YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC accept that only the Old Covenant is scripture? Is the testimony of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC, which includes both HIS direct words to HIS disciples, and the words of HIS disciples, not to be accepted as “profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness that the man of ELOHIM may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works”? You tell me. Where would the source of such teaching originate; the Spirit of Truth, or, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?

- 2Ti 4:1 I charge *thee* therefore before ELOHIM, and YAHWEH YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

- 2Ti 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

Is the Apostle admonishing Timothy to teach only the Old Covenant? No, he is encouraged to teach the WORD, the whole armor of ELOHIM. Remember the Apostle Peter's words about the Apostle Paul.

- 2Pe 3:15 And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; 2Pe 3:16 As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

Based on these words, the writings of the Apostle Paul were obviously available to those saints that the Apostle Peter also wrote to. He mentions Paul's epistles. What are epistles? These are written messages. Scripture itself only means written documents. These basically imply the same thing. And of course, we must accept what HAMASHIAC HIMSELF said during HIS final prayer on the earth.

- Joh 17:20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

It should be obvious that YAHSUA is referring to HIS disciples, now known to be HIS apostles. HE is praying for others to follow who shall believe on HIM through the word of these disciples/apostles. So, are their words that guide others to believe on YAHSUA not to be considered scripture? Did YAHSUA pray for those who would believe on HIM through the words of the prophets of the Old Covenant? We know the answer to these questions.

- 2Ti 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 2Ti 4:4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

We recently read and discussed these verses about the fables. An adequate description of a spiritual fable is any teaching not found in ELOHIM's WORD, or denying the power of the sayings of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. These are fables, taught to those with itching ears by teachers who are without sound doctrine. We see it in the politics of modernity. We see it amongst those who think themselves to be following the truth.

One of you told me of a discussion with someone who believes that YAHSHUA's words to HIS disciples to wash each other's' feet at Passover to simply be just an example, which one can substitute. And is truth, it was an example. However, obviously many have accepted their teacher's view that this simply represents one of many actions one can perform that accomplishes the same goal. Let's reread something for clarity.

- Joh 13:14 If I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

HE first said that as HE had washed their feet, they ought to wash one another's feet. If we had nothing else to read here, what should the follower of HAMASHIAC think to do?

- Joh 13:15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

It is after HE said to do to each other as I have done to you, on the Passover, that HE said I have given you an example. What is an example, that you should do as someone else has done? It is a description of an action performed by someone else, that others should also do.

You can't simply discount this as something we can pick and choose to do. Perhaps the next time anyone suggests this, ask them to share with you any other example for us to do on the Passover, that can make you "clean every whit".

And furthermore, this was on YAHSHUA's Passover, and as such, it spiritually carries the following consequences, which I offer to all in a spirit of love.

- Joh 14:24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.
- Luk 6:46 And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

If we don't do what HE says, how can we call HIM our Lord?

- Luk 6:47 **Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them,** I will shew you to whom he is like: Luk 6:48 **He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.** Luk 6:49 **But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.**

Here is what we must preach. Here by YAHSHUA's own mouth is the contrast between those who choose to hear HIS sayings and do them, and those who hear HIS words and choose not to do them.

- 2Ti 4:5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

If we are walking in the hearing and the doing of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC's sayings, this is what we should be doing. We all have a ministry, based on our individual callings, which the Apostle Peter told us to make sure.

- 2Ti 4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. 2Ti 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith: 2Ti 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, **which YAHWEH, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.**

As we close, the Apostle acknowledges to Timothy that his time of departure from this world is imminent. The beautiful thing here is his complete assertion that he had fought the good fight, finished his course, and kept the faith. Isn't this what each of us should aspire to accomplish. As we are now in the midst of the fall appointed times, we have the opportunity to determine if we are on course.

The Apostle knew that there was laid up for him a crown of righteousness. All this by a former Pharisee that persecuted the Household of Faith, and then lived a life of repentance and teaching all nations (including the COY) how to come to YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC. And notice when he says he will receive this crown; "at that day". But he knows its not for him alone, it will also be "unto all them that love HIS appearing".

After speaking highly of some whom he had encountered along his journey, he spoke of his deliverances.

- 2Ti 4:17 Notwithstanding YAHWEH stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

- 2Ti 4:18 And YAHWEH shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the faith that each of must have and maintain in our walks with YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC, particularly today in modernity.

- 2Ti 4:22 YAHWEH YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen. The second epistle unto Timotheus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians, was written from Rome, when Paul was brought before Nero the second time.

Timothy had been ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians. Perhaps this is when the Apostle Paul laid his hands upon Timothy, when he was ordained the first bishop in Ephesus. The Apostle wrote this from Rome as he appeared before the Emperor Nero the second time.

What a powerful epistle. If we can see it, sometimes we read some verses a little out of context. The Apostle is writing these words to the bishop of the Ephesians. And yet, it should be obvious how that these words are also guidance for each and every member of the Household of Faith.

I hope and pray that as we continue to march during this year's final appointed times, we are enduring in spite of any afflictions coming towards us in diverse manners. I hope we all use these words to discern the times, and be strengthened in the knowledge of the truth we continue to learn, and accepting of the strong meat that we have been given the opportunity to live by.

Brothers and Sisters, until we all accept the Apostle's admonishments, as well as all of YAHSHUA HAMASHIAC's sayings, to do them all, we cannot walk as one. Yet, we read how that YAHSHUA prayed only for HIS disciples as well as those who would believe on HIM through their word.

Believe it or not, we have lately entertained Brethren of the Church of God movement who are rejecting the apostle's teachings on the Atonement, and accepting their European-led leadership to make Satan responsible for our sins, and thus representative of the goat on which the sins of the COY were laid. Based upon YAHSHUA's own words, how can we ignore what these chosen disciples have written to us?

And yet many on different sides of these Biblical differences are doing just that. So, what is the purpose?

Thankfully, we are committed to "putting on the whole armor". Remember these words as we navigate these final appointed times of this year.

Shalom!