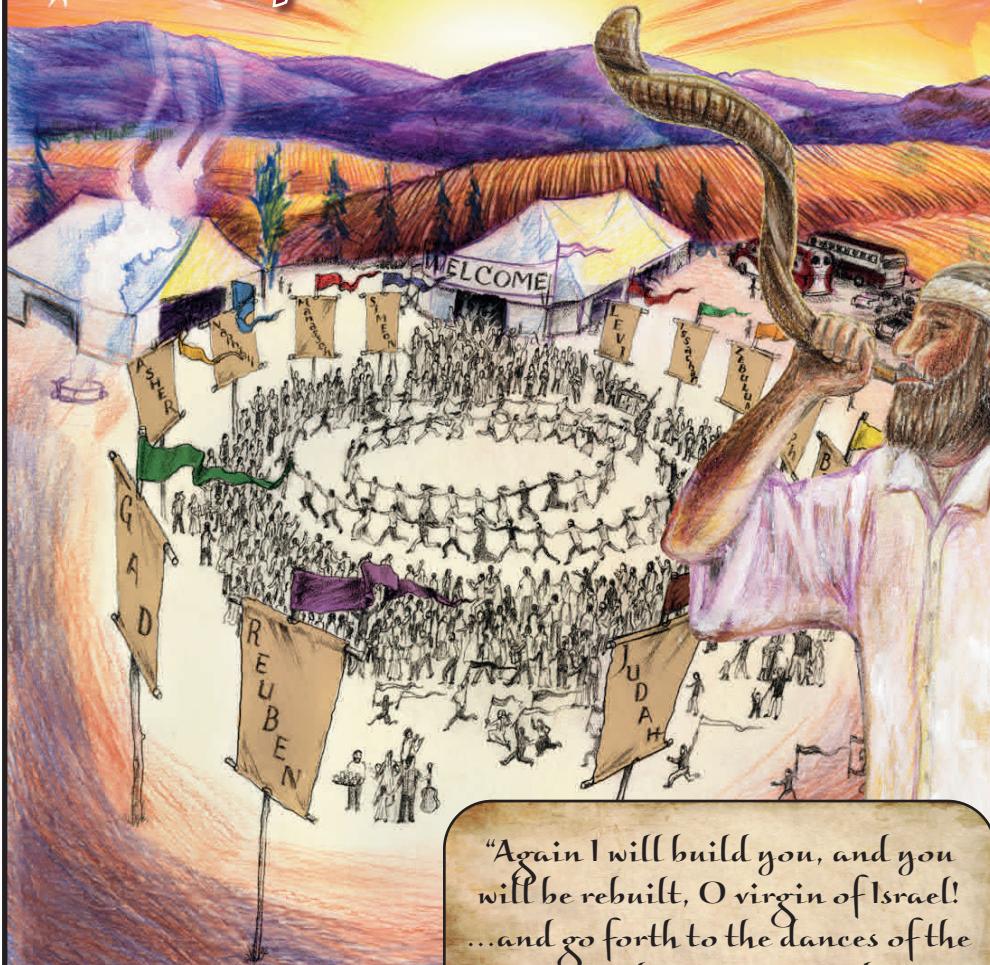


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Time to GATHER



"Again I will build you, and you
will be rebuilt, O virgin of Israel!
...and go forth to the dances of the
merrymakers." - Jeremiah 31:4



We who wrote this paper actually live together like an extended family, sharing all things in common, just as the first disciples did in the first century. The Bible plainly says regarding the first church, "All who believed were together and shared all things in common."¹ It goes on to describe how they were of one heart and soul, and that there was not a needy person among them, for they gave up all their possessions to meet the needs of their spiritual brothers and sisters.² Some people say this was only for back then, but we've been living this way for over 40 years. You can come and see for yourself at any of our addresses, which are printed in the back of this paper and on our web site, www.twelvetribes.org.

In each of our communities, there are one or more houses in a cluster, some in cities and some on farms. Several families and single people live together in each house, according to the size of the house. We like large houses because we like to live together. Married couples have their own rooms, plus as many adjacent rooms as needed for their children. The single men share one or more rooms, as do the single women. We all share a common kitchen and dining room, where we take our meals together "with gladness and sincerity of heart."³

In at least one house in the cluster we have a large gathering room where we gather together every morning and evening to worship our Creator in song and dance as in Psalm 150, using the prescribed musical instruments that we are learning to build and play. We are all free to speak from our hearts the things we are learning, as our heavenly Father teaches us through one another, according to the gifting and grace given to each per-

¹Acts 2:44 ²Acts 4:32-35 ³Acts 2:46



live together

son.⁴ As a spiritual priesthood, we pray together for the pressing needs of our people and for our Father's will to be done on earth.

After our morning gathering we have breakfast together and then go to work in our various places, doing the deeds prepared for each one of us.⁵ We work together in our own cafés, farms, cottage industries, and trades, not as independent contractors or employees of outside companies. All income from our various endeavors goes into a common purse from which all of our needs are met equitably. We don't have our own independent income or debts to carry by ourselves, except for the debt of love we owe to our Savior, which we repay by loving and caring for one another.

We love and cherish our children. We teach them at home, using a curriculum we are developing ourselves, to give them the basic skills they need to read, write, and speak effectively, to live together in peace, and to fulfill their created purpose. Our children's training goes far beyond the classroom, however, as they are fully integrated into every aspect of our socially and spiritually rich tribal life. They learn to cook and sew, build and farm, care for animals, sing and dance, play musical instruments, and most importantly, extend hospitality to the constant flow of guests who are drawn to the light of our life of love.

Together we are experiencing and demonstrating the restoration of all things spoken of by the prophets of old,⁶ and by our Master Yahshua,⁷ whose life, death, and resurrection make this life possible. ✝

⁴1 Corinthians 14:26; 1 Peter 4:11; Romans 12:6 ⁵Ephesians 2:10 ⁶Isaiah 49:6; Jeremiah 30:20; 31:1,4,13,14; Malachi 4:5-6 ⁷Matthew 5:17-19; 17:10-11; 22:37-40; Luke 1:17; 24:44 (Yahshua is the original Hebrew name of the one called Jesus in most English translations of the Bible. See page 24 for more about this name.)

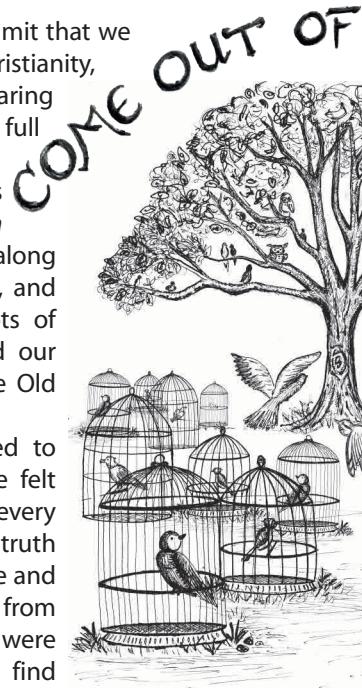
In our search for truth, sometimes we must admit that we were duped into believing a lie. After 23 years in Christianity, my husband and I, with our five children, were preparing for missionary work, our only option for serving God full time. In my husband's third year of missionary school, a friend gave us a book that opened our eyes to the truth about the Sabbath, the names *Yahweh* and *Yahshua*, as well as the feasts of *Yahweh*. We, along with our friends, were stunned by what we read, and together we decided to pursue the Hebrew roots of Christianity. Starting with the Sabbath, we turned our hearts to obey the Torah and understand how the Old Testament prophesies applied to us.

"Come out of her, my people!" we proclaimed to others who were still trapped in rote religion. We felt delivered from that prison, and now we gathered every Sabbath to study the Scriptures and search out the truth together. We sincerely wanted to know who we were and where we were going. What does *Yahweh* want from man? For what purpose were we created? These were some of the questions for which we hoped to find answers as we struggled to understand the Messiah of the Old and New Testaments. It was liberating to be freed from the old pattern of sitting in pews and following the prescribed order.

News came of other groups like us who were making plans to celebrate *Sukkot*, the Feast of Booths, so we made plans to attend. Many big-name rabbis came to teach us. There were exciting teachings, music, dancing, plays, children's activities, dance classes, meals eaten together, and late-night discussions around the campfire. We had a wonderful time being together and made many new friends. Sadly, the following year, that large group splintered off into many smaller groups as these same rabbis had begun their own ministries and were now hosting festivals with their own followers. We were already dividing, just like all the other churches.

The next change came when our little group disbanded because the couple hosting it were getting "burned out." We went from group to group, much of which began to feel like the church system we had tried to leave behind. We had lively debates but were unable to come to unity. We all came with our own opinions about things, only to leave with the same opinions. We wanted to know our purpose, and what life was all about. I felt like a bird in a cage looking at all the other birds trapped in their cages. No one really seemed to know the way to freedom.

My prayers became more and more desperate. Each morning I'd take a walk and plead with *Yahweh* to show me the way. "What do you expect from



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me? Do you have ears to hear? Do you have eyes to see? How can I know what to do when you are silent and the Scriptures only cause divisions? I need to *know you!*"

I was soon to find out that he does hear and see the hearts of those desire to know him. He heard my cry!

As the months passed, I was told by a stranger, in passing, of a group called the Twelve Tribes that had recently moved into our little town. My mother and I went the next day to meet them, and they invited our whole family to come and share Sabbath dinner with them on Friday night. As time went on, we visited often with our questions, greatly stirred up by the things they said. Our hungry souls were being satisfied with answers to the cries of our hearts. Hope was coming to us that maybe someone on this earth could decipher the hidden, confusing messages in the Bible.

They gathered every morning and evening to sing praises to Yahweh and share from their hearts the things he was teaching them. One day it dawned on me that Yahweh is a Spirit and that he desires a body to manifest his love through. His face was reflected in the faces of those in the circle around me. He was expressing his love in a tangible way through them.

But there was more to be revealed — the reality of Yahshua and his radical words. Over the past year, I had been seriously questioning the significance of Yahshua. For years I had believed on an intellectual level that Yahshua died to pay for my sins, but even that had been shaken through all of my disappointments and questioning. Many of my friends had converted to Judaism, and I was seriously considering it, but to give up Yahshua, if he really was the only name under heaven that could save me, was terrifying.

One evening, as I was standing at a Twelve Tribes gathering, the connection finally hit me. The body that our Creator desired was made up of many members — real people who had a real life together. That is what Yahshua died to bring about! Now there was a people on the earth that He could direct, because they would actually do what he said.

Once I was able to see the "Pearl of Great Price," I was willing to pay for it. I knew it would cost me everything, but Yahshua promised that if I would die to every bit of my old life, he would give me his new life. It felt as if I was jumping off a cliff, but faith had come to me, so I leapt.

But still, the Body of Messiah is not complete. That is why I am writing to you. Our Father is gathering his people, and he has an amazing purpose for each one of us. Please come and see us — and bring your questions. We would love to meet you! *

Tamar

We, as a people, aspire to be the restoration of the Twelve Tribes of Israel, the holy nation that Yahshua,¹ the Messiah, said would inherit the kingdom that was taken away from Abraham's natural offspring.²

Yahshua came preaching the good news of this kingdom. He understood what this kingdom was because he knew his Father's heart. It's been made clear in the ancient Scriptures:

You shall be my own possession among all the peoples... and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. (Exodus 19:5-6)

Yahweh called this nation and kingdom by the name *Israel*. Some 1500 years later, the apostles Peter and John laid claim to this calling:

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Yahweh's own possession. (1 Peter 2:9)

And he has made us to be a kingdom, priests to his Elohim and Father. (Revelation 1:6)

It was obvious to these apostles that Yahweh saw them as the fulfillment of Exodus 19:5-6. They had the same understanding and revelation of Yahweh's purpose.

The kingdom, as our Master saw it, was a holy nation of twelve tribes. This is why He selected twelve apostles. It was no coincidence. Even the angel in Luke 1:21-33 said of the Messiah, "He will reign over the house of Jacob forever." The house of Jacob is the Twelve Tribes of Israel, those who rule with Elohim, being no longer under the dominion of Satan. These have been transferred out of the domain of darkness into the kingdom of Messiah.³

In Isaiah 49:5-6 and John 11:52, we can see more clearly the purpose for the birth of Yahshua: the light of this kingdom has to reach the ends of the earth in order for salvation to be fully manifested. There has to be a light, a witness to all nations, and then the end of this age will come. This is what Yahshua said in Matthew 24:14. His people must provide evidence of the Kingdom. It can't come any other way.

But who can do this? Only those who are actually under Messiah's rulership. He needs a nation, a people who will produce the fruit of the kingdom.² It is not America or England or any other political state, but it is His own special nation, the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

This is why Paul wrote to the Ephesians, who were Gentiles:

¹ Yahshua is the Hebrew name of the Messiah, called Jesus in most English translations of the Bible. See "The Name Above All Names" on page 24 for more about this name. ² Matthew 21:43 ³ Colossians 1:13

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You are no longer strangers, separate from Messiah, excluded from the Commonwealth of Israel. (Ephesians 2:12)

And to King Agrippa he spoke of:

...the promise to which our Twelve Tribes hope to attain, who earnestly serve Yahweh night and day. And for this hope, O King, I am being accused by the Jews. (Acts 26:7)

These twelve tribes to which Paul referred were obviously not the natural descendants of Abraham — the fallen, divided, defunct Israel — because the Jews were the very ones accusing him! And their twelve tribes hadn't even had a national existence since the Assyrian and Babylonian captivities hundreds of years before. Do you think Paul considered these Jews to be the twelve tribes who were serving Yahweh earnestly night and day, these who were seeking his death? Of course not. So, who were these twelve tribes he was referring to?

Paul called them the Commonwealth of Israel in Ephesians 2:12 because their tribal life demanded that their wealth be shared in common.⁴ The pattern of the Messianic communities in Jerusalem and all Judea was followed by all the rest.⁵ According to Paul they were the standard or model for the church in every place or locality.

The church as community was the fulfillment of Exodus 19:5-6. It can be no other way. Peter and the other apostles were obedient to establish it the way their Savior had commanded them.⁶ Before the feast of Pentecost, Yahshua had spent 40 days with His disciples speaking to them about the establishment of this very kingdom. So when Peter preached the Gospel of the Kingdom on the day of Pentecost, the people responded in this way:

All those who believed were together and had all things in common; and they began selling their property and possessions, and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. (Acts 2:40,44-45)

Those who gave up brothers, sisters, houses, farms, etc., in response to the words of the Messiah, which Peter faithfully repeated, received a hundred times as much in return⁷ because they had become members of the Commonwealth of Israel. So the foundation was set, and the building began to go up, with Yahshua as the cornerstone.⁸ But it was not long before their light began to wane:

⁴ Acts 2:44-45 and Acts 4:32-37 ⁵ 1 Thessalonians 2:14 ⁶ Matthew 28:18-20

⁷ Mark 10:28-30 ⁸ 1 Peter 2:4-6



I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of Elohim, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to Yahweh... and do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of Yahweh is. (Romans 12:1-2)

Why the urgency in Paul's plea? A few sentences earlier Paul had warned them that as ancient Israel had been cut off from Yahweh because of their disobedience, so it could happen to them, the church. In Romans 11:22 he admonished them that if they did not continue in his kindness, they also would be cut off. However, the decline continued. Eventually Constantine, the Roman Emperor, made Christianity the state religion. They became totally conformed to the world. The church had lost its salt.

Without simple obedience to Yahshua's words, they lost their confidence to stand before him at his return. Their ability to boast in him was gone. Therefore, they were no longer his house.⁹ In came the clergy-laity system of the Nicolaitans. Like Satan, the Nicolaitans desired to take the glory to themselves,¹⁰ loving the approval of men more than the approval of Yahweh.

After nearly 1500 years, Martin Luther sought to reform the Roman Catholic Church, with its glaring corruptions, but he did hold fast to the clergy-laity system, which Yahshua hates.¹¹ Thus, the first daughter was born¹² and many more were to follow. Denominations arose everywhere, each according to the name of its founder. Do you think what calls itself the church today has lost the distinctive way of the first believers? Has it not fallen into confusion?

According to Revelation 17:5, there is a "woman" whose name is "Babylon the Great," the mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth. The Apostle John saw her in a vision, and wondered greatly, so foreign was she to the pure nature of the "virgin betrothed to Messiah."¹³

Fallen, Fallen, is Babylon the Great, she has become a dwelling place of demons and a prison of every unclean spirit. (Revelation 18:2)

The statement, "has become," denotes a transition from one state to another. She was originally a pure virgin, but she corrupted herself and committed acts of immorality with the kings of the earth. She began to think of herself as a "queen" enthroned with the king, not as a widow, having lost her betrothed husband.¹⁴ Thus she is the epitome of confusion, as her name depicts: *Babylon*.¹⁵

⁹ Hebrews 3:6; 10:38-39 ¹⁰ John 7:18 ¹¹ Revelation 2:6,15 ¹² Revelation 17:5

¹³ 2 Corinthians 11:2 ¹⁴ Revelation 18:7 ¹⁵ The name *Babylon*, the "Gate of the Gods," is derived from *Babel*, which means *confusion*.

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In the latter days, a voice of compassion will call to the sincere seekers in her, saying, "Come out of her, my people"— come out of her who is fallen and come into her who is the restored virgin bride of the Messiah, the "Wife of the Lamb."¹⁶



In the book of the prophet Daniel, it is written that the Elohim of heaven will set up a kingdom in the last days that will not be left for another people.¹⁷ This kingdom is the restored twelve tribes of spiritual Israel,¹⁸ who will usher in the thousand-year reign of the Messiah.

So which do you want to be part of:

VIRGIN or HARLOT?

TRIBAL or BABEL?

COMMUNITY or CONFUSION?

The Scriptures make it clear that the Messiah will be held in heaven until the time of the restoration of all things.¹⁹ What must be restored? The Body of Messiah, the true church purchased by his blood, on the foundation and pattern of true surrender.²⁰ All those who love Yahshua will obey him and participate in the restoration of all things! *

¹⁶ Revelation 19:7-8; 12:1; 21:9-12 ¹⁷ Daniel 2:44 ¹⁸ 1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 5:10; 19:7-8; 21:9,12 ¹⁹ Hebrews 10:13; Acts 3:21 ²⁰ Luke 14:26-33; Mark 10:29-30; Acts 2:42,44-45; 4:32-35

The Essence of the NEW COVENANT

Yahshua, the Messiah, has many titles. He is called the King of Kings, the Prince of Peace, the Good Shepherd, the Healer, the Savior, the Emancipator, and Emmanuel. But one of the most profound titles that he could have is the Founder of the New Covenant. He came to establish fellowship among the disciples by restoring their fellowship with Yahweh. This was the birth of a brand-new culture.

To understand the reality of the life of the first believers, you must understand what *fellowship* is, and you must understand how it comes about. It is the binding element of the reality of the New Covenant. Their whole existence as believers, in the vital early days of the church, was one marked by unbroken fellowship. Through this perspective you can get a glimpse into the beautiful and amazing bond that Yahshua shed his blood to establish. This was the cause for which he allowed himself to be broken. It was a covenant of the highest order. It was a blood covenant.

What is recorded in the Book of Acts about the first church was a social phenomenon that has been unrivaled in human history.¹ These people, who had once been scattered strangers, heard a message so powerful and authoritative that it gathered them and bonded them together as a true commonwealth.² They were a body of believers who shared all they possessed, voluntarily, and from a deep inspiration. They experienced something that cannot be described any better than by the Greek word *koinonia*.

KOINONIA

Koinonia is the highest form of fellowship. It is joint participation in every social event, total distribution of all wealth (both physical and spiritual), and joint contribution to the success of their common goal. It is the sharing of all things.³ It is to function as an organic, living, social organism — a body. This was the incredible witness and glory of the first church.

To be a believer was to be a full participant in the fellowship and common life of the New Covenant communities. Their fellowship consumed every aspect of their daily life. They shared all their possessions, all their meals, all their struggles, all their heart, and all their soul. They shared their festivities, their burdens, their faith, and their love and loyalty to the Good Shepherd.

Now, many centuries later, how they were able to live the way they did has become a mystery, and why they lived the life they did has also become

¹ Acts 2:40-47; 4:32-35 ² Ephesians 2:12; 1 Peter 2:9-10 ³ Acts 2:44

obscure. But hidden in that mystery is the awesome purpose of Yahweh sending his only begotten son.

THE NEW COVENANT

First, we must see that his sacrifice on the cross was far more than a heroic act of faith. It was more than a sign of mankind's need for forgiveness and a show of Yahweh's great mercy. It was actually the inauguration of the unconditional terms of the New Covenant — a blood covenant. Although on the cross he died for all, the mystery of the significance of what he accomplished by this event can only begin to be opened up by understanding what a covenant really is.

The word *covenant* is about absolutes and responsibilities. A covenant is not just appointed or granted or given unconditionally. It is not open to one's own interpretation, by any means. To be covenanted is to be pledged or promised with specified conditions. You must devote yourself to meeting all the terms, all that is required on your part, or you cannot enter into the covenant in truth. Then, after entering, you must fulfill your obligation at the cost of your own life.

The terms of the New Covenant that Yahshua founded were extremely radical — a life for a life. If you truly believe that he died for you, you can't just go on your merry way, trying to live your life better than you did before. The New Covenant demands "that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for them and was resurrected." That is the response that brings you into fellowship with Yahweh. That response also brings you into fellowship with all those who have received the same faith to enter the New Covenant:

For the love of Messiah compels us, having concluded this: that One died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the Him who died for them and was resurrected. (2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

Yahshua fulfilled his part, and what he expects as a response from us was very clearly laid out in his commandments and teachings. He gave a new and great commandment that encapsulated all the others. This was the commandment that held the heart and essence of the whole New Covenant. It is recorded in John 13:34-35,

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you; that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

He loved us first. He believed that if he would give himself as an offering for sin, he would gain the hearts of a people who would respond, and this would create the "one another" for them all to love.⁴ He only asks us to follow

⁴ Isaiah 53:10-11

him, doing the same as he did. By our response to lay down our lives and live only for him, it becomes clear that our old life is washed away⁵ — *forgiven!* Those who respond in that way show that they have obtained the forgiveness that is in His blood.⁶

When the significance of his pure, selfless sacrifice actually penetrates through the thick, callous layers around the human heart, the only possible response is to live the rest of your life for his sake and the gospel's sake.⁷ With joy you will "waste"⁸ your life by pouring it out on the "one another" — His body. This breaking open of the human heart was the event that actually brought the 3000 into the circle of fellowship of the first believers on the day of Pentecost.

Yahshua did all that he could do, and now he needs a people who are stirred in their hearts to respond by living their lives completely for him. This is the testimony of those who have entered the New Covenant.

WE KNOW LOVE BY THIS

To live for him means that you lay down your life for your brothers and sisters daily. His sacrifice defined forever what love truly means:

We know that we have passed from death to life because we love the brothers. He who does not love his brother abides in death... By this we know love, that [Yahshua] laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. (1 John 3:14,16)

He articulated the dividing line between those who belong to him and those who do not, those with whom he has fellowship and those with whom he does not. This call brings to light the motivations of each person's heart. Who has a heart that has been humbled through his life's struggles, knowing his condition as a sinner? Who has been humbled to the extent of being willing to pay the price of true fellowship? The terms are clear.

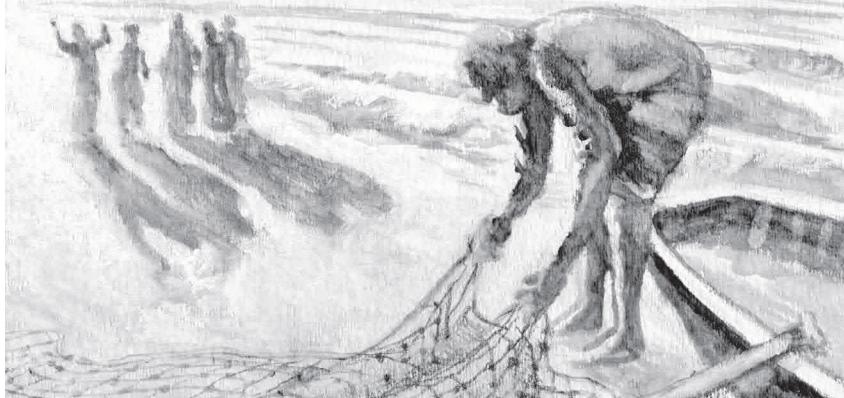
To respond to these very clear requirements is to "lay your hands on the sacrifice," just as in the Old Covenant when someone sacrificed a lamb for his trespasses.⁹ His contrition of heart when he laid his hands on the animal was his acknowledgment of the severity of his sin. He knew that the wages of sin is death, and he offered an animal to express the acceptance of his guilt. It was a life for a life. With his hands on the sacrifice, leaning all of his personality and hope, as the lamb's life drained out as a ransom for his own life, signified his total identity with the lamb. To truly believe in Messiah, and receive the sacrifice that was made as a ransom for your life, will cause you to take total identity with him in death, and to experience the reality of his resurrection.¹⁰

No one is automatically included in the New Covenant. Only by the right response does it become clear that Messiah's blood has been applied to

⁵ 2 Corinthians 5:17 ⁶ Luke 22:20 ⁷ Mark 8:35 ⁸ Matthew 26:8-10 ⁹ John 1:29

¹⁰ Romans 6:3-11

**You have to walk away from your old life and follow Yahshua
in a solemn covenant with Yahweh and his people.**



your sins, making you a participant in the New Covenant. First the "old man" has to die in the waters of baptism in order for the "new man" to be born, in order to live selflessly among Yahshua's people. You have to walk away from your old life and come to utter surrender in this solemn covenant with Yahweh and his people. This is where you begin the life of a disciple.

THE TERMS OF PEACE

The gospel Yahshua brought included explicit instructions to clear the way for you to be free to enter into the New Covenant with all your heart. To live only for him is to have no distractions, no divided loyalties, no earthly ties or loves that prevent you from giving all to meet the terms.

If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whoever does not bear his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it — lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish."

Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace.

So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be my disciple. (Luke 14:26-33)

He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me. And he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he who

does not take his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it. (Matthew 10:37-38)

Most cringe at these high demands. Many of the multitudes who followed him withdrew when they heard the uncompromising terms.¹¹ The rich young ruler withdrew.¹² Even Judas, one of his chosen disciples, grew to hate the cost, and he withdrew.¹³ Those who heard the terms clearly and then shrank back judged themselves as unworthy of His sacrifice.¹⁴ But through those who responded, he began a brand-new culture.

THE COVENANT KEPT

The genuine fellowship of the first church was actually the evidence that the tremendous miracle of repentance had taken place in the heart and souls of those first believers. They had a life that verified that the very element that had kept them estranged from their Creator had been confronted and removed. They had confessed and forsaken self-life. Their unity and love for one another was the undeniable proof. They had made the radical transfer out of living for the things that the unbelieving people of this world seek and into seeking first the things of the One who is love.¹⁵

THE GLORY OF THE FIRST CHURCH

The first church was a real, active community, but it was also so much more. It was the place to carry out the demands of love that fulfill the New Covenant. It was where each disciple learned how to do his part. They had all heard the call to repent and return to Yahweh, but they needed the place and the way to do it.¹⁶ They knew they could not respond and then go back to their own independent, selfish lives.

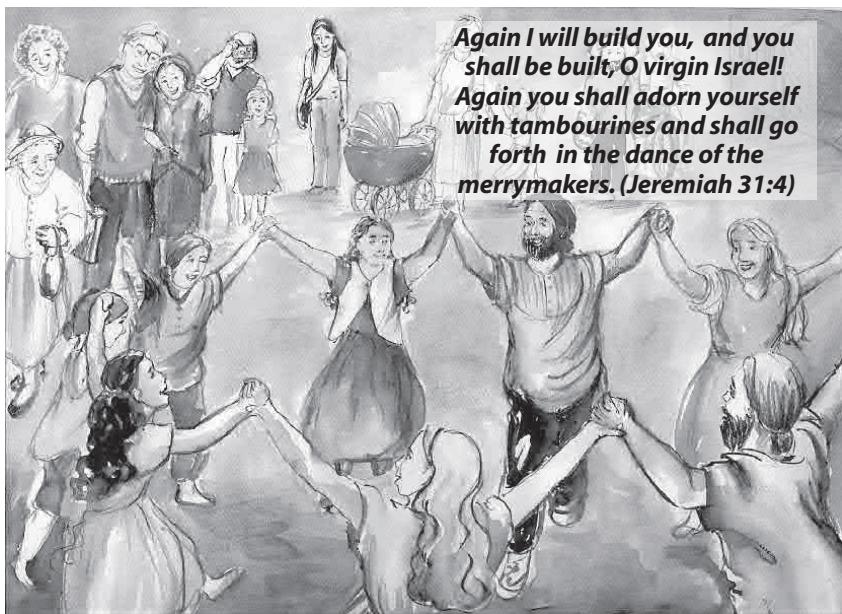
The sweet fellowship experienced together by all the first believers was a foretaste of the ultimate reality of the covenant — the eternal kingdom of Yahweh. They were partakers of its first fruits. There was no other way to practically carry out the requirements of the covenant. They needed the body of believers. The community was the altar upon which to offer themselves as a living, holy sacrifice.¹⁷ The church cannot be any other way and still be the church.

The life that sprang forth from that place came purely from a response to Messiah's sacrifice — the response to live only for him. It was impossible to imitate or counterfeit this life. No man's genius, creativity, power, or might can accomplish it. It is by Yahweh's Spirit alone.¹⁸ It has to be the genuine reality of reaching Yahshua's blood.

The outcome of denying themselves was *koinonia* — the vibrant, concentric life of the Body of Messiah. This high degree of fellowship was the

¹¹ John 6:66 ¹² Mark 10:21-22 ¹³ Mark 14:10 ¹⁴ Acts 13:46 ¹⁵ Matthew 6:31-33

¹⁶ Acts 2:37-42 ¹⁷ Romans 12:1-2 ¹⁸ Zechariah 4:6



irrefutable sign of those who believe. Their souls had been knit together, entwined in the most sacred covenant. This bond spanned generations, from the parents to the children, and to their children's children, because of the turning of their hearts.¹⁹ It was to be a perpetual covenant.

Standing in stark contrast to the passive religious system around them, their life was the fruit of their active obedience to the will of Yahweh, through keeping their Savior's commandments, expressing a genuine love for one another daily. They knew with full clarity that to allow any selfish ambition or to live for themselves in any way was to break the covenant.

This struggle against the selfish nature of the flesh, with its passions and desires,²⁰ in order to do his will, actually caused the most phenomenal miracle — *salvation*. This salvation was the deep and thorough healing of the broken fellowship between man and Yahweh. They soberly saw that they couldn't love Yahweh, whom they couldn't see, if they did not love their brothers whom they could see.²¹ The restoration of this fellowship was the burning desire of the founder of the New Covenant, Yahshua, the Messiah. For this cause he paid the price.

THE COVENANT BROKEN

Yet history records the sad tale of a people led astray. They were pulled away from that concentric life. They were distracted from their whole-hearted devotion, and as a result, the common life began to dissipate, lost

¹⁹ Malachi 4:6 ²⁰ Galatians 5:16-24 ²¹ 1 John 3:17; 4:20-21

like a vapor. The forces of self-life, the dark ways of "the old man," deceived them to unravel that sacred bond. They were lured away to independent and lawless actions. Their selfish pursuits were lawless in face of their covenant — a willful sin after having come to the knowledge of the truth.²²

As they allowed their hearts to withdraw from that common life, it was the glaring sign that they were breaking their part of the covenant. Their divisions testified against them. They wanted Yahshua to give his life to them, but they became unwilling to give their lives to him. There can be no divisions or denominations where there is true fellowship.²³ They rejected fellowship with him by rejecting the terms of the covenant — a life for a life.²⁴ By this act they trampled him underfoot, treating the blood of the covenant as a common thing, and insulted the incredible spirit of grace who had seemingly, at one time, won their hearts.²⁵

AWAITING THE RESPONSE

Yet, an enduring foundation was laid. The church can't be any other way and still be the witness of the New Covenant brought by the Messiah. It must be the way it was in the beginning, because those terms are set solidly on the true rock. The demands of love were sealed eternally when he died on the cross. The terms of peace have not, will not, and cannot ever change. Those terms will remain for all eternity, and shine as a beacon for the ones who will lay hold of them. These ones will enter through the narrow gate into the reality of the sacred bond of the New Covenant. These ones strive for the blessing. By the revelation of this foundation, the most famous verse in the whole Bible takes on a whole new dimension:

For Yahweh so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)

For "whoever *believes* in Him" identify those who *believed* when the gospel was first preached on the day of Pentecost:

And all who believed were together and had all things in common. (Acts 2:44)

Therefore, it can truly be said that Yahweh so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whoever believes in him should not perish... but *live together and have all things in common*.

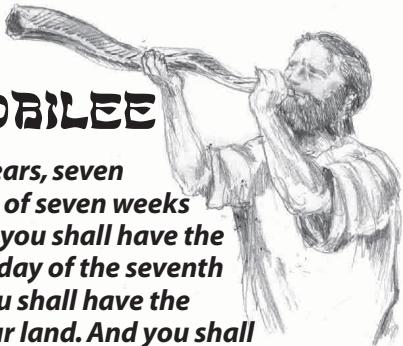
Yahweh has been waiting for a people who will truly believe in him to the point of surrendering their very lives. He has been waiting for a people who will have the only fitting response to Yahshua's sacrifice. Such are his disciples.

The restoration of all things has begun. Come and see! ☀

²² Hebrews 10:26 ²³ 1 Corinthians 1:10 ²⁴ Acts 13:46 ²⁵ Hebrews 10:29

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE

You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month, on the Day of Atonement, you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property, and every one of you, to your family. (Leviticus 25:8-10)



Every seventh day in Israel was to be a sabbath day, when everyone would rest, just as their Creator had done after he made man. Also, every seventh year would be a year of rest when the land would lay fallow, debts would be forgiven, and slaves would be released. Every seven sevens of years was even more special, demanding far more from the hearts of the Israelites than even the sabbath years. That monumental time in the life of Israel was to be the Year of Jubilee. We know very little how it (or even the sabbath years) would have affected the nation, because old Israel always found some way around the righteous requirement of the Law, even though it was very dear to Yahweh's heart. Yet we know that there *will* be a people who keep this command, and who do so because they take on his heart.

The land in modern Israel can now be "sold" to someone else for the Sabbath year for a token amount of money, and then bought back after the year is over. This allows them to still benefit from the produce of the land without "breaking the Law" by farming it themselves. They get around the Law in that way, which is to say they get around trusting Yahweh in that way. Keeping the Law and trusting Yahweh is the same thing.

LOVE AND JUSTICE GO TOGETHER

In Leviticus 25:10, El Shaddai commanded that the trumpet would be blown in all the land when the fiftieth year, the Year of Jubilee, had come. The fiftieth year was to have been a time to restore the way Yahweh called Israel to live. Yahweh commanded that all land be restored to its original owners in Leviticus 25:10. *There was no such command anywhere else in the world.*

All the buying and selling of land during the previous 49 years was to be undone. At the Year of Jubilee, all the land was to return to the families Yahweh had given it to when Israel entered the land. Doubly so was it the Promised Land — promised to Abraham in Genesis 15:18, and promised

again to the individual families when Joshua divided up the land. Israel never understood how close the two promises were in Yahweh's heart.

No other religion of men has dared to address the hold that possessions and lands have on men's souls. Indeed, they cannot, since all prosperous religions depend on the good will of rich and powerful men. They could only obey such a radical set of commands as Yahweh gives in Leviticus 25 if they actually believed in Him.

Yahweh commanded that they forgive all debts from their brothers. All those born into slavery or sold into it must be freed.¹ He proclaimed liberty to all in the moving words, "Each of you shall return to his family."

Above all else, the fiftieth year was a time to remember the One to whom the land belonged. This is why He said they could not sell the land permanently to anyone.

The land must not be sold permanently, because the land is mine and you are but aliens and my tenants. (Leviticus 25:23)

What a celebration that would be! This is the society Yahweh intended — one where love and justice would rule every human relationship. There is no true justice unless it arises from real, heart-felt love. Love and justice go together like man and wife. Love is the motive; justice is the result.

At every Jubilee celebration, the whole people were to come together to celebrate the greatest accomplishment any nation had ever known: *the triumph of love-based justice*. They were to restore what the poor had lost to their more gifted or even more aggressive brothers. As Moses said in Leviticus 25:17, "*Do not take advantage of each other, but fear your Elohim.*"

They only bought the land until the next Jubilee.² Just think how rich would be the land that a true Israelite would give back to its original owner! That is, if he realized who the real and permanent owner of the land was — Yahweh himself. Oh, if only they had such a heart!³ But they never kept this law because they did not truly fear their Elohim.

Only a society of people determined to carry out these two commands — the greatest commands in all the Law — would be able to obey Leviticus 25:

"Hear, O Israel: Yahweh our Elohim, Yahweh is one. Love Yahweh with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Leviticus 19:18)

Any society determined to put these words into practice will have the help of heaven and a life of faith to produce it. This help and this faith will produce a brand-new culture.

¹ Leviticus 25:39-43 ² Leviticus 25:14-16 ³ This was the hope Yahweh expressed in Deuteronomy 5:29.

ONCE LONG AGO AND ALMOST FORGOTTEN...

Once, a long time ago, there was a band of Jews who lived this way. They followed the teachings of Yahshua. As a man's spirit inhabits his body, so love lived and expressed itself on the earth in him. The fruit of his life was a completely new society. There were literally thousands of men, women, and children living together in peace, with no needy among them. Thus, they fulfilled Deuteronomy 15:4-8. His Spirit enabled them to love, and justice was the result.

But what happened? That life waned. Love could not stay where the Spirit of Love was no longer welcome. He left those communities and walked on. For nearly two thousand years he longed for a new body of people to live in, but the terrible words of Daniel the prophet came true, "Messiah was cut off and had nothing."⁴

AND WHEN THE SOIL WAS READY...

He still waits for a people of his very own. It is what he has always longed for. A man cannot belong to him and Mammon at the same time; Leviticus 25 makes that perfectly clear.⁵ There must be nation expressing his character to the ends of the earth, and then the end can come.⁶

Once again, Love dwells in a body on the earth. He has found a new and lasting home; this is where we live.

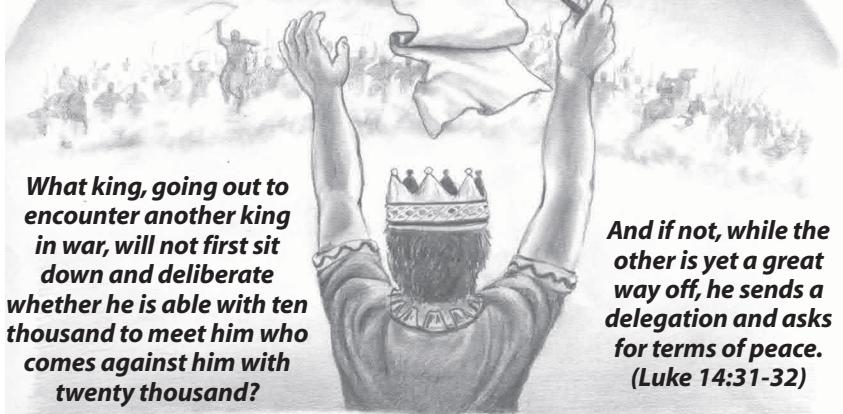
If Israel had kept this body of law in Leviticus 25, it would have been a light to the world. *Torah* also means the body of prophetic instruction. Keeping it would have led them to fulfill their prophetic destiny as a people. And this has not changed; indeed, it *cannot* change. Only those who keep Sabbath years until the Year of Jubilee will prove to be the Israel of Yahweh. Then all the land goes back to its rightful owner — Yahweh himself.⁷ The trumpet of the Year of Jubilee will be the last trumpet of this age:

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed — in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. (1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

We invite you to come and be a part of the people to whom the mysteries are being unfolded. The glory of Yahweh, which is love, is the highest goal and aspiration of our life together. That is why we share all things in common, that is why we struggle to carve a culture, a new of life out of this fallen world, and that is why we open our homes to all those who long for these things, too. ☩

⁴ Daniel 9:26 ⁵ Matthew 6:24 ⁶ Matthew 24:14 ⁷ Revelation 11:15-18

SURRENDER TO THE GREATER KING



What king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not first sit down and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand?

And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace.
(Luke 14:31-32)

The Good News is the message of love between man and his creator. Yahweh loves man with such an intense and compelling passion that He could only express it through incarnation. Only through divinity dwelling in humanity could he fully demonstrate his desire to be one with man — his highest and most precious creation. Love was the compelling force that caused the divine Word to leave behind all his divine rights in heaven to come to earth and take up residence in a man. Only in that way could he deal with the enmity that divided him from those who were made in his very image and likeness.¹

What did he see in us that compelled him to make such a sacrifice?² It wasn't as if the sacrifice he made didn't come at a great cost to himself, for it was this very thing that the gospel discloses about his heart, which compels us in the same way to make that corresponding sacrifice of our own lives in surrendering all that we are and have to follow his example. Somehow, underneath all of man's accumulated layers of hardened callous, there lay a heart which still had the potential of being reunited with his creator to accomplish his purpose on earth — even when we were yet his enemies.³

The story of Jonathan and David gives us understanding of the essence of the gospel. Jonathan was the son of Saul, the first king of Israel. As such, he was the rightful heir to the throne, though David was Yahweh's choice to be king in place of Saul. But Jonathan loved David more than his own right to

¹ Philippians 2:5-8 ² Matthew 13:44 ³ Romans 5:10

the throne. If we can't comprehend the gospel in this story, then we can't be saved. We will never be united with our creator, for it is through the covenant of Jonathan and David that we can see the heart of Messiah, the heart of a true disciple, and what is required of those who follow him. It contains the very essence of the gospel.

In 1 Samuel 18:1-4, Jonathan made a covenant with David, who was a type of the coming Messiah, because he loved him as himself. Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his armor, his sword, bow, and belt. In doing so, Jonathan ratified his covenant with David in an act of total surrender to his coming kingship and kingdom,⁴ giving himself to David as a servant. This was a sign of his recognition that David was the anointed king.⁵

Jonathan gave up his kingdom and his sovereignty to the greater king. He laid down his arms and possessions, which represented his very life. David was to replace Jonathan as heir to the throne, and Jonathan gladly gave David the preeminence. In giving David his robe, he capitulated his own kingdom to the greater king. In giving David his sword, his armor, his bow, and his belt,⁶ he showed that he was no threat to the authority of the coming king. Jonathan was fully surrendered to David.

David was not a usurper of Saul's kingdom, but the Spirit of Elohim had come upon him to rule. Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit came upon David in power.⁷ A small circle of witnesses to David's anointing assured its reality.

Evidently, Christians have not been presented with a coming king who is worthy of unconditional surrender. They don't see how Luke 14:31-33 applies to them. They do not see the worth of Messiah as Jonathan saw the worth of David.⁸ His loyalty extended beyond earthly ties and loyalty to family — father, mother, wife, and children.⁹

Saul, in 1 Samuel 20:31-34, gave in to a Satanic impulse to kill David. Those who are under Satan's control do not recognize the greater king, nor those whom he sends.¹⁰ But like Jonathan's covenant with David, the New Covenant in Messiah seals our loyalty and enduring faithfulness to our King. Our only authority to represent him comes from the reality of his Spirit working in our midst — the Spirit of love and unity, which is our only witness. Wherever the fruit of love¹¹ and unity is,¹² there the Spirit is poured out without measure.¹³ That is where you find eternal life.¹⁴

Did second thoughts come to the woman who broke her costly alabaster vial of perfume and anointed Yahshua's body, or was it a spontaneous response of love for him that she poured out everything she had on him? Is

⁴ Luke 14:31-33 ⁵ 1 Samuel 20:31; 23:17; Revelation 11:15 ⁶ 1 Samuel 18:4

⁷ 1 Samuel 16:13 ⁸ 1 Samuel 23:15-18 ⁹ Matthew 10:37-39 ¹⁰ Isaiah 14:13-14;
Matthew 21:33-40; John 15:18; 16:2 ¹¹ 1 John 3:14-16 ¹² John 17:21 ¹³ John 3:34
¹⁴ Psalm 133:1-3

there anything that can be compared with eternal life? How do we gain it? What can a man give in exchange for his soul?¹⁵

Like the story of Jonathan and David, the story of the woman in Matthew 26:7-13 also expresses the very essence of the gospel, exposing the false gospel. That is why what this woman did will also be spoken of in memory of her — not to just remember her, but to remember what kind of response the Good News requires. That response is what saves us, for it indicates that our hearing of the Good News produced true faith.¹⁶

Our response to the demands of the Good News is what reveals our heart to Yahweh, whether we deem him worthy of our whole life. It reveals where our heart is — whether He is the only thing of worth to us, or we put him in the balance with other loves and loyalties.

There are many degrees of service in the system of Christianity, but no such degrees existed in the first church. It was all or nothing.¹⁷ You either saw Yahshua's worth or you didn't. The proof that you recognize his worth was revealed in your obedience to the call to forsake family, possessions, career, and even your own life — everything you have and are. Whoever accepts these terms of peace¹⁸ receives a hundred times as much in return for what he gives up in this life: homes, farms, families, etc., along with persecution, and eternal life in the age to come.¹⁹

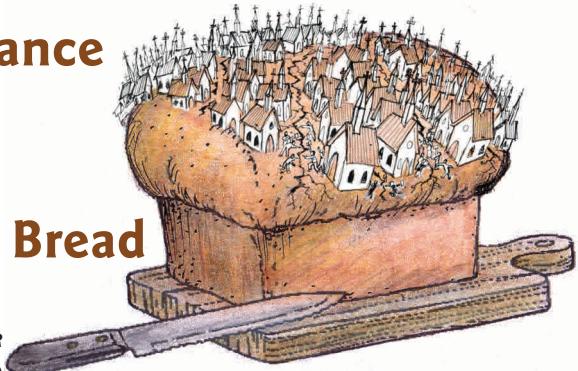
In the story of Jonathan and David we can see the essence of the gospel, the message of capitulation — absolute and unconditional surrender to the Greater King.²⁰ Anything short of this response to the message of salvation does not recognize the worth of Messiah.

Many excuse themselves by saying they only have to be *willing* to forsake these things if "God" tells them to. But our Master said in John 7:17 that if anyone is *willing* to do the will of Yahweh, then he will recognize the one speaking to him as being sent by Yahweh. Yahshua, the Messiah, doesn't have to force recognition of his kingship upon those who truly hate their own lives.²¹ The gospel's demands reveal the heart of man — what he deems to be of greater value than Messiah.

If the gospel you've heard did not communicate to your heart the worth of Messiah, compelling you to give up all to follow him,²² then you aren't saved. If the gospel you heard did reveal Yahshua's worth to you, then you will love as he loved.²³ It is life for life — his life given for you, and your life given for him. That is what establishes the New Covenant Community, where all are on common ground through their common sacrificial response of love for one another. Yahshua gave up all, and we give up all. In that way we become one in the New Covenant Community of Messiah. That is how his kingdom can come through the Good News. Is it good news to you? *

¹⁵ Matthew 16:26; Mark 8:35-37 ¹⁶ Romans 10:17 ¹⁷ Matthew 25:14-30 ¹⁸ Luke 14:32 ¹⁹ Mark 10:28-30 ²⁰ Luke 14:31-33 ²¹ John 12:24-26 ²² Luke 14:33
²³ 1 John 3:16; 2:6

The Significance of the Days of Unleavened Bread



"GET OUT OF HERE! I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN!" she

screamed at him as the door slammed in his face. Another broken heart, another shattered relationship. What is the force that causes separation between friends? Is there any way for people to overcome the forces that divide them, and grow closer to one another rather than drifting apart?

Yahshua, the Messiah, calls this divisive force *leaven*.¹ Have you ever seen leaven? Probably not. It's microscopic. You can't see it, but if you leave a lump of dough on the counter long enough you'll know that leaven is in the air. It will start growing in the dough, puffing it up. That's what leaven does. The leaven emits gases that push the once tightly bonded flour particles away from each other. It's a modifying influence that creates separation.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread was very significant among the first-century believers.² It was a set-apart time for them to inspect their relationships and do away with anything that caused separation. Usually the leaven would come in the form of negative thoughts — subtle judgments and accusations against one another.

That's what we are learning to be on guard against in our communities, that we wouldn't let spiritual leaven come in and divide us. That's what Yahshua's teachings and the letters of the apostles are for, and that is the purpose of the Days of Unleavened Bread. During this time we focus specifically on the ways the Evil One tries to undermine and destroy our unity and our fellowship with our Father. Only together can we overcome this great battle in the spiritual realm, culminating with Revelation 20:1-2,

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

A little-known truth is that Yahshua's disciples are that chain of unity that will bind Satan. Without our being brought to complete unity,³ this end will never come. We invite you to be gathered together with us as we eagerly await Yahshua's second coming.⁴ *

¹ Matthew 16:6 ² 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Acts 20:6 ³ John 17:20-23 ⁴ Hebrews 9:28

THE NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES

In the days of John the Baptist and the Savior, the preserved language of the devout Jews was Hebrew. So, when the angel Gabriel brought the good news to the Hebrew virgin, Miriam (or *Mary* in English), that she would give birth to the Savior of the world, and told her what his name would be, what language do you suppose he spoke? Hebrew, of course! And certainly Miriam and Yoceph (or *Joseph* in English) named the child just as the angel had commanded them — *Yahshua*.

In Matthew 1:21, your Bible probably reads, "...and you shall call his name *Jesus*, for he will save his people from their sins." But the name *Jesus* is a modern English adaptation of the Greek name, *Iesous*, which is itself a corruption of the original Hebrew name *Yahshua*. The name *Jesus* or *Iesous* has no meaning of its own, but the Hebrew name *Yahshua* literally means *Yahweh's Salvation*,¹ which makes sense out of what the angel said in Matthew 1:21, "...you shall call his name *Yahshua* [*Yahweh's Salvation*], for he shall save his people from their sins."

יהשׁוע

If you look in a pre-1769 King James Bible, you will find the name *Jesus* in these two passages:

*Which also our fathers that came after brought in with **Jesus** into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drove out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David... (Acts 7:45, 1611 KJV)*

*For if **Jesus** had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. (Hebrews 4:8, 1611 KJV)*

However, if you look in any modern translation of the Bible, including the New King James, you will find that in place of the name *Jesus* they use the name *Joshua*, for in the context it is clear that it is speaking there of Moses' successor and not of the Messiah. But in the Greek manuscript the name in both of these verses is *Iesous*.

You see, *Joshua* is the popular English transliteration of the Hebrew name of Moses' successor, which meant, "He will save." This name looks forward to the name of the Messiah, for *Joshua* was the prophetic

¹ *Yah* is the personal name of the Creator, and *shua* is a Hebrew root word that means "to save." The Creator identified himself to Moses as *YAH* (meaning "I AM") in Exodus 3:14, as in Psalm 68:4 ("whose name is *Yah*"), and as most familiar in the word *Halleluyah* ("Praise *Yah*"). And in John 5:43 and 17:11, *Yahshua* says that he came in his Father's name, "the name which you have given me" (NASB), so it is not surprising that the Father's name would be incorporated into the son's name, *Yahshua*.

forerunner of the Messiah, bringing Israel into the Promised Land and leading them to victory over their enemies. But since the translators obviously know this fact, why do they only translate *Iesous* as *Joshua* in these two verses, and as *Jesus* everywhere else?

The NIV New Testament even has a footnote supporting this fact under Matthew 1:21: "Jesus is the Greek form of Joshua."

But the fact is, the name of the Savior was not even written or pronounced as "Jesus" in English until the 1600s, simply because there was no "J" sound or letter in English before then.² The modern letter "J" evolved from the letter "I" which began to be written with a "tail" when it appeared as the first letter in a word. So in old English the name now written as *Jesus* was actually written and pronounced much like the original Greek *Iesous*. Eventually the hard "J" sound crept into the English language to accompany the different way of writing the initial "I" in the name.

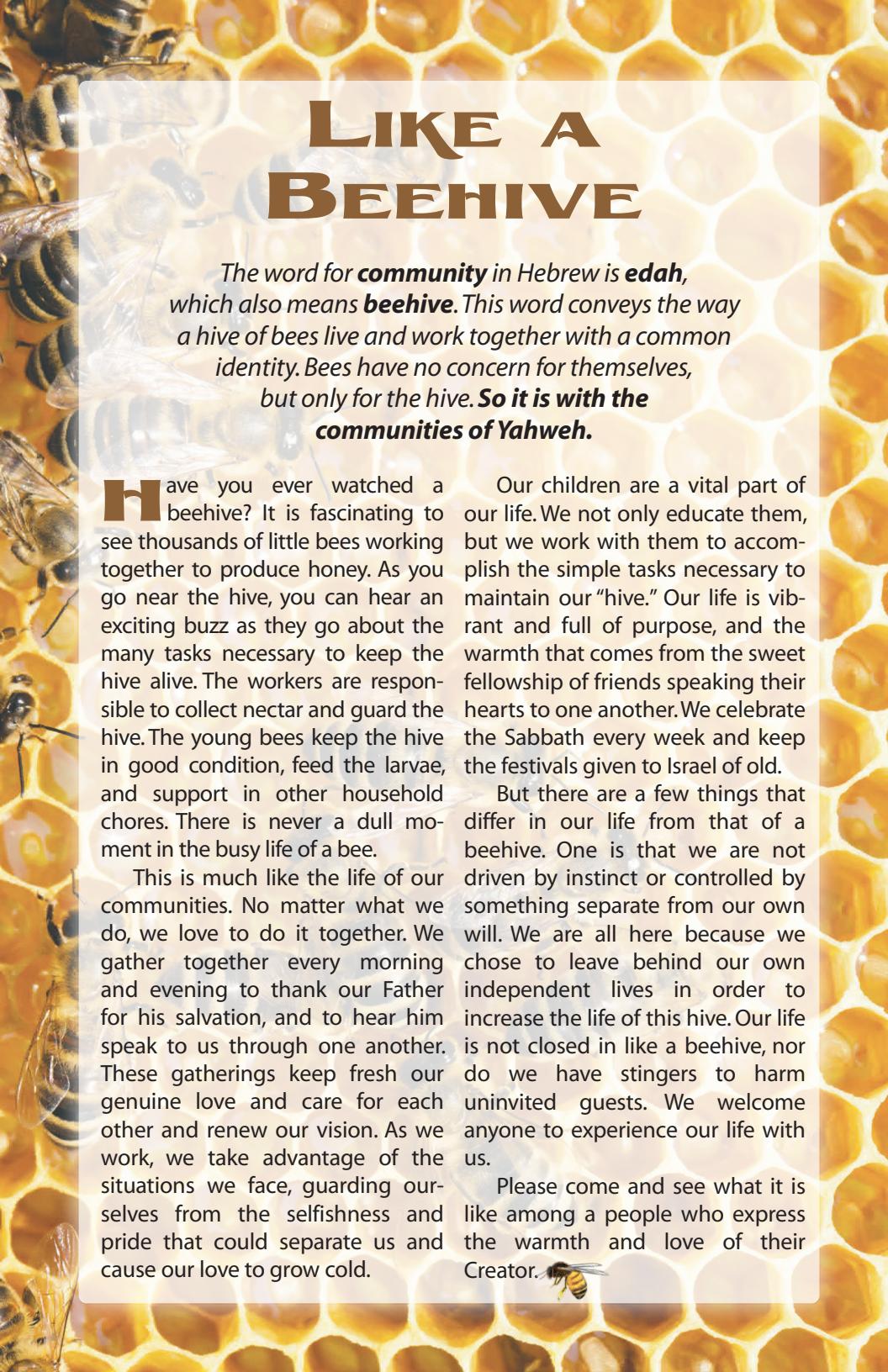
You may also find it interesting that in Acts 26:14-15, it says that the

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LIKE A BEEHIVE

*The word for **community** in Hebrew is **edah**, which also means **beehive**. This word conveys the way a hive of bees live and work together with a common identity. Bees have no concern for themselves, but only for the hive. So it is with the communities of Yahweh.*

Have you ever watched a beehive? It is fascinating to see thousands of little bees working together to produce honey. As you go near the hive, you can hear an exciting buzz as they go about the many tasks necessary to keep the hive alive. The workers are responsible to collect nectar and guard the hive. The young bees keep the hive in good condition, feed the larvae, and support in other household chores. There is never a dull moment in the busy life of a bee.

This is much like the life of our communities. No matter what we do, we love to do it together. We gather together every morning and evening to thank our Father for his salvation, and to hear him speak to us through one another. These gatherings keep fresh our genuine love and care for each other and renew our vision. As we work, we take advantage of the situations we face, guarding ourselves from the selfishness and pride that could separate us and cause our love to grow cold.

Our children are a vital part of our life. We not only educate them, but we work with them to accomplish the simple tasks necessary to maintain our "hive." Our life is vibrant and full of purpose, and the warmth that comes from the sweet fellowship of friends speaking their hearts to one another. We celebrate the Sabbath every week and keep the festivals given to Israel of old.

But there are a few things that differ in our life from that of a beehive. One is that we are not driven by instinct or controlled by something separate from our own will. We are all here because we chose to leave behind our own independent lives in order to increase the life of this hive. Our life is not closed in like a beehive, nor do we have stingers to harm uninvited guests. We welcome anyone to experience our life with us.

Please come and see what it is like among a people who express the warmth and love of their Creator.



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THERE IS A PEOPLE who woke up this morning with one thing on their minds: to love their Creator with all their heart, soul, and strength, and to love one another just as He loved them. Being ordinary human beings, we are far from perfect in our love, yet, in hope, we persevere. Our goal? That the Kingdom of God would come on earth as it is in heaven, so that love and justice can rule on the earth. Sound impossible? It would be, were it not that Yahshua, the Messiah, came to redeem mankind, to set us free from the curse of sin, and to enable us to love. Because we have come to see His worth and our own desperate need, we have surrendered everything in order to follow Him. Our hearts and our homes are open night and day to any who are interested in our life or are weary of their sin and want to know the purpose for which they were created. *