

May 18, 1994, Evening Sacrifice Boston

Circumcision of Faith 2

*(Yoneq asked us to be ready tonight to talk more about what we heard at the sacrifice this morning.)*

What was the essence and meaning of this morning's whole teaching? What was the main point? How is circumcision a sign of what we talked about?

Amatz — If you cut off the flesh, you'll be able to take on God's strength and not your own.

Did Isaac fulfill Abraham's expectations of what Abraham put into him? What is the sign of circumcision that our children bear in the flesh? Ultimately our Father holds the parents responsible to cut off the flesh and to command their children. Only those who surrender their will can be used like Abraham was used by our Father to carry out the covenant of circumcision He made with him. Abraham submitted his will to ha-Shem, therefore he could hear. If our will is not surrendered to ha-Shem, then we can't hear — our conscience is dull.

Faith comes by hearing what we hear. We have to hearken (Quashab) to what we hear. It is up to us if we want to trust in our God to the extent of not depending on our own reasoning. Abraham trusted YHWH even if it meant sacrificing his own son if that was what he was being asked to do — He believed and obeyed (Gen 22:18) the voice of YHWH (he was an obedient man) and it was accredited to him as righteousness, so that 14 years later he could wear the outward sign of circumcision. You can only wear the outward sign when you come into self-judgment.

Are we sharing about what was spoken in the morning sacrifice (May 18, 1994) about circumcision with one another? We've got to make sure that this gets to the edge of the robes. It doesn't do any good if it stays on the beard, but only if it gets to the least, too. It's got to get to every single last member of the Body — to every person! Some people are fast learners and others are slow learners. In school I was a slow learner, but once I learned something I knew it and then I could share it with others. For the oil to get to the edge of the robes, it's got to go to every person's heart — it can't just be head knowledge, but we've got to make sure it goes to every single last person.

Sameach — Our Master really paid a price — He did something significant with His life so that His people can have grace. He went to death and experienced horror so that we could exist — so that His life could come forth. The flesh is terribly obstinate — it will never communicate to you to seek out grace. What our Master did for us so that we could have grace is not a cheap thing — He really paid a price so we could have life. What could be better than coming to the morning and evening sacrifices and surrendering ourselves to Him and asking for grace? What could be better than the opportunity we have each day, twice a day, to love Him and give ourselves to Him?

Keli — By hearing this teaching I learned that when YHWH walked between the animals in Gen 15:10-18 He did this to communicate to Abraham and to us that if His love wasn't enough to reach us, He might as well die. He communicated so much hope to Abraham and it communicated so much hope to me — our Master put His life on the line for me!

So many people can't see this — I am so thankful He gave me faith because He had mercy on me. And now He can do His will through me.

Gen 15:18-20 — We don't even know who we are until we know these things. All of the enemies have to be routed out of the land. Circumcision is an outward sign — Gen 17:8,10 — which is that we have to bring about the promise (Gen 15:18; 18:19; Isa 49:8) by cutting off the flesh. To cut is a covenant — Gen 17:10,11. When a child is young, you can already see the flesh developing on them. At 8 days old, the corruption is already setting in. It's called smegma and it

is caused by the flesh and has to be cut off (crucified)! That's what circumcision is — the casting off of the corrupt flesh. It is not a ritual, but our Father has spoken to us and we do it in faith. The fathers give their vow that they'll do it. We're going to do it by His grace, by depending on Him. That's what our Father wants — He's been waiting 4,000 years for this — a people who will rely on Him, not trusting in the strength of their own flesh. Our Father didn't give up because He knew He would have a people who would do it. Ps 102:18. He's going to fulfill the promise made to Abraham, then the year of Jubilee will come and Satan will be thrown into the abyss. The land (Israel) will be given back to natural Israel to rule over (Matt 19:28) and we will be telling everyone about Yahshua and millions and billions of people will come into the New Covenant among the nations Rev 2:26. Right now there are just a few who are putting the enemy under His feet, crucifying the flesh daily. We're just a small number right now, but we will execute Satan by our Father's grace because he has been judged already. The executioner hasn't come yet Heb 10:13; Rev 17:14; 19:14-15. Right now the evil one is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for disciples to devour. That's his main occupation, isn't it? Satan is the accuser of the brethren and he prowls around day and night trying to make you feel terrible about yourself saying, "You're not worthy, your life doesn't count"! How do we overcome it? Rev 12:11 How will the last generation overcome it? We're going to teach them to put the enemy under their feet — to walk in the ways of Abraham Gen 22:12,18. Our Father won't tell us to take our only son and put him on the altar and sacrifice him, but it will be something equal to that Rev 7:3; 6:10-11. He said to Abraham, "I'll make you a father of many nations through your son, Isaac. Now go sacrifice your son, your only son, Isaac." If you read Gen 22 it will make you cry.

Abraham, the wonderful father we have in the faith, responded to our Father in heaven. Isn't it wonderful that we can actually touch the flesh of Abraham? We actually have physical descendants of Abraham in our midst — (*speaking to Hananiah, Yehudah and Talilah as Yoneq went over to hug them*). It's a great honor to be able to touch Yahshua's flesh and it's wonderful that we can love the descendants of Abraham. And we're going to win the Jews because for 2,000 years Christianity has persecuted the Jews (burning their homes and torturing and killing them) until the last 50 years. But it is just a facade anyway. The day will come when the true nation will be shown to all. In this room there are some of the most prejudiced and obstinate people on the face of the earth, but we don't hold it against them because our Father is making a holy nation out of them and He is going to use them to astound the kings of the world. There will be representatives from every tribe, nation and tongue and we welcome every person (like when people come here from Ireland we don't hold their ways against them) and when people see us it will be the same as seeing God. Our Master said that all men will know we are His disciples because of the love we have for one another — the same love Yahshua had for His disciples when He was on earth. This love will amaze people and kings will shut their mouths because they will never have seen such devotion as we have for one another — something the world cannot take away. We won't turn our backs on one another, but will be loyal until the very end. Only the children who have not been circumcised (those who are not of the seed of Abraham) will betray one another. Mt 24:10-12

We've received the Holy Spirit and we have faith. If we circumcise our children in faith (just like Michael Beniah circumcised his son, vowing he would train him up in the way he should go) then they will not depart from it and they will receive the Holy Spirit and have the assurance of eternal life. It is a privilege to train our children up to know they have been chosen for a wonderful purpose. This will only happen if the abba's heart is turned towards his child.

I believe we are the true seed of Abraham and that Mal 4:6 will come about. We'll be the people of the stone kingdom. If we can hear His voice we're saved, and we have eternal life. When our Father speaks to our heart and we hear Him, it's ours forever and no one can take it away. It will be yours and your children's and your children's children's after them — 3 generations.

Melody — I was walking the other day and was praying that our Father would speak to me and tell me why worthlessness is such a strong thing. I really wanted to know why and I believed that our Father would speak to me and show me. And I was so thankful to hear ha-emeq share recently in the sacrifice that worthlessness is so strong because nothing worthless can enter the kingdom. I realized that that's why the enemy wants to convince us that we're good for nothing — so that we'll give up and we won't strive to enter the kingdom. He doesn't want us to make it! That's why it's so strong. I'm so glad our father spoke to me.

Chayah — I was thinking about the significance of the vultures. It was so important that Abraham make that sacrifice to our father. The vultures were like the enemy — when they came down they tried to take away the animals, but Abraham drove them away. Whenever we offer up a sacrifice of praise to our God the enemy comes to us trying to take away what we have. But we can drive him away just like Abraham did.

The enemy will go if we tell him to in Yahshua's name (Jn 17:11; 5083 in greek — to guard from injury, to keep watch and protect as a fortress). True circumcision is living by faith and hearing faith — not through ritual or the flesh, but in Yahshua's name we cut it off! The seed of Abraham will receive faith. You have a will and the seed of Abraham will turn their will over to our Father and He will give them grace. Three things abide — faith, hope, and love — The greatest is love 1 Jn 3:14,23.

Huldah — I was reading Rom 4:14-22 about faith. Abraham had nothing left. He was old and Sarah couldn't have a child, her womb was dead — but he was sure that our father was going to carry out what He promised so he didn't waiver. Instead his faith got stronger. I want to be like Abraham in my faith and not waiver. If we rely on our Master our faith will grow stronger and stronger and He will have a people who will cut off their flesh for Him.

N'su — Without His grace we would jump off the circumcision table, but if we give ourselves to it and don't resist we will be saved. It hurts — it's painful — but if we receive circumcision in our heart we will be saved.

Faith comes by hearing from our brothers and sisters. You're judged by what comes out of your mouth and how it comes out — so be careful what you speak. You are either building or destroying. It is wonderful to hear things that build up and edify one another. There's no way the evil one can hold us in bondage because we have been set free. We have all the power in heaven and on earth. Our Master is totally accessible to us at all times. So let's not allow the evil one to speak to us.