

Homesick for Egypt

Without faith it is impossible to please YHWH our God (Heb 11:6) because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists, but He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.

Therefore you see that the object of faith is YHWH Himself. That is the object of faith; and we come to Him by faith and He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.

Heb 11 is talking about heroes of faith, people of true faith, and in verses 13-16 we see that all those people were still living by faith when they died; they admitted they were aliens and strangers on the earth, revealing that they were seeking a country of their own (this shows a heart that is either with our Master or not with him), for if they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return, but they were looking for a better home.

You have seen some people who were longing for the land that they left. They were homesick. They were thinking about the country they had left — so they had opportunity to return to it. They went back to Egypt. In Num 11:1 (Lk 9:62) the very same people who left Egypt in order to enter into the promised land complained about their hardships ... and fire came and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp. Those people who complained about the hardships were in the outskirts, not in the intimate fellowship of the community, they were holding themselves back from the center. They were homesick. Our Father allowed them to go through hardship to bring out what was in their hearts. Sometimes He let them go with no food or no water in the burning desert — many hardships — so they could see what was in their heart and repent of these things. (Acts 14:22). But remember, the reason that they had left Egypt was to enter Canaan which was the Promised Land. They had a better home, a better country that was promised to them. We left the world to enter into the kingdom, the new age. He promised us the kingdom if we will endure hardship. It is impossible to enter the kingdom without enduring hardship just like it was impossible for the Israelites to enter Canaan without hardships. They were to persevere in the faith. It is impossible to please Him without faith, without seeking Him.

But instead, in Num 11, they complained about the hardship which was the very thing they had to endure and go through in order to enter and live in the promised land (Gen 15:18; 17:8; 18:19). YHWH heard it and His anger was aroused and fire burned among those on the outside of the camp, those in the outskirts (like when you hang around the outside, not really getting involved with your brothers and sisters). And then in verse 4, the rabble with them began to crave other food. (*Rabble* is a term used for a non-Israelite mixed into the group, a non-Israelite person who does not know YHWH.) A lot of times a rabble person comes into us. Roberto was rabble. He proved he was never a true Israelite by leaving and attacking the Body of Messiah. He never was of us, never on the inside of the camp, never integrally involved. He never was of us, that's why he left us (1 Jn 2:19); such people were rabble. And because some of them speak their accusations and unbelief, they were rabble-rousers. You can only rouse rabble; you cannot rouse an Israelite. You cannot rouse someone who is on the solid foundation of Yahshua.

And so the rabble, those who did not know YHWH and His mercy, incited those who were on the outskirts to rebel against Him. They were rabble-rousers. "If we only had meat to eat... all we see is this manna" (verses 4-6). It talks about this in Ex 16. The people began to complain about their diet, forgetting what YHWH had done for them. As it says in Ps 106:13-14, "In the desert they gave into their craving, in the waistband they put God to the test. They forgot very soon what He had done and they did not wait for His counsel." They were complaining (Ex 16:3), "If only we had died by God's hand in Egypt, we had all the food we wanted, but YHWH brought us out here to starve the whole community to death." Then YHWH said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven... you will know it was YHWH because He has heard your grumbling against Him..." (verses 4-13). They never understand His ways. In Heb 3:10 it talked about them. "I was angry with that generation; their hearts are always going astray; they don't know My ways; they still have a natural mind (Dan 12:10); so I decided in my anger that none of them shall enter My rest." See to it brothers that none of you has an unbelieving heart... verses 12-13 and 17-19. Thus you can see they were not able to enter because of their unbelief,

and the Israelites have never received that rest. Therefore God set another day (Heb 4:6-11) and this is the day he is talking about. There remains a sabbath keeping for the people of God, a sabbath rest (verse 9). So let us make sure that we enter that rest, so that no one will fall through following their example of disobedience.

You see from the contrast of these people in Heb 11, the Israelites were homesick, they wanted to go back to Egypt (Ex 16). They had an evil and unbelieving heart (Heb 3:12). They craved the food they used to eat before they were disciples (Ex 16:3; Num 11:4). They liked to sit down and eat a dog or a pig or a bird that eats dead things off the road; they liked their nice little dainties that they left behind (Lk 9:62).

Our Master said in Mt 12:30 that if someone is not with Him they are against Him and they are scattering abroad. Remember when we begged and pleaded with people not to come here with us and everyone who came gave up everything from their past life, not holding onto anything, and we drew a line for whoever is with YAHSHUA to step across? The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked above all else. We had some rabble come with us and now we are being cleaned out and all the dead wood is being taken away; and we do not, if possible, want any more rabble joined with us - people who are not appreciative of the deliverance of salvation. (2 Pet 2:20-22)

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They had come from Egypt where their backs were bent under Pharaoh, the slave driver of Egypt. Pharaoh was a typical figure of Satan, beating the backs of his slaves. And then YHWH delivered them from their bondage to Satan - but they forgot what He had done - leaven entered into the whole community of Israel. It leavened the whole loaf. (1 Cor 5:7) Get rid of the leaven. The leaven of hypocrisy is a person being here, raising their hands and saying shalom while wishing for the country they left. That is hypocrisy; it is a leavening process. The word is proven over and over again: The vine not receiving the sap dries up, is cut off and thrown into the fire. (Jn 15:5,6)

Our Master said beware of the leaven of the Pharisees hypocrisy. The reason you women are wearing headcovering is ultimately for our Master who is submitted to the Father, but you wear it for Him. The men don't wear a headcovering, but you wear it for us, because we are submitted to our Master. Our Master was submitted to His Father and that order comes down to man and then woman who was the first to cut of the order in the garden. (1 Cor 11:10) And now she wears it for the sake of the angels when we are gathered together, as an outward sign of submission. If you wear it in hypocrisy, you are just rabble, not a true Israelite, a hypocrite. She wears it for the sake of the

angels, honoring our Master YAHSHUA for the authority He has coming down from the Father to Him and to the men and the women and the children. It is a great honor to be able to wear your headcovering to show your
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submission to your husband and his submission to our Master and His submission to His Father - and this is order - that is why we say shalom.

Our Father deliberately let the children of Israel go through hard times in order to reveal to them what was in their hearts. Dt 8:2,5) And (1 Cor 10:6-11) these things were written down for the generation who will be prolonged until our Master's return, who will never see death and will bring in the kingdom by our life and our loyalty to our Master YAHSHUA.

One more thing: Matt 12:43 talked about a spirit leaving a person who didn't have a heart to repent - it is going to come back seven times worse. Our Master did not cast evil spirits out of anyone who did not have a heart to repent. He did not cast the evil spirit out of the Pharisees. He told them they had an evil spirit and their father was the devil but He could not righteously do it, not if they did not have that desire in their heart, because it would bring seven more worse spirits than it had before. When a person is saved, when they repent, the spirit is cast out in the name of YAHSHUA in baptism, when they are washed and then they receive the Holy Spirit. We do not copy the Pentecostal church in how they cast out spirits. Our Father
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is restoring all things to us. Right now we are like a root out of dry ground, a sapling without stately form, barely grasping for a hint of water (Job 14:7-9); at the scent of water we are reviving out of the dry ground that we came out of. We are thankful we have been delivered. We do not have to have a spirit if we don't want it. He came to save us from our sins and the result of our sins. He brings healing to us to those who love Him.

Paul said (Phil 3:10-13) "one thing I do is forget the past and take hold of the very thing our Master took hold of me for." If you never forget the past, you are always going to be a slave of the past - just like Roberto, he never forgot it - he never even gave it up. What lies behind is filth, dung, rubbish, what you cast away. Forget it.

Yaduton - If we are really saved, we don't look at things from the past. If we do that, there is something that is wrong in us that wants to take us away and it turns us into a reef it contaminates people - like a yeast that grows and spreads through the whole dough. If we are like that we have to repent, we cant live here like that because it's going to destroy the community. If you're on the outside it shows because you dont have a heart to be here, it's better you wouldn't be here. In the world we couldn't escape from ourselves, we were our own worst enemies. We did those bad things over and over and over again. But then He sets us free from the evil one and the world. So we have a great reason to be thankful because not only this, He put us into a people who truly want to care for us - we came into this reality. He gives us the best

friends the best food the best suffering. We are suffering because of justice. How much better to suffer now than before. We are suffering for YAHSHUA to come back to the earth. We have good things in abundance. We are the most blessed people on the face of the earth. If they only would have remembered how their backs were bent in Egypt, if they only remembered what they escaped from
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and the promise ahead in the land of our Father - a land with milk and honey. But they complained - they did not enter that land. So he brings some suffering on us sometimes. Our heart is the most deceiving thing we've got so he want us to know our hearts so we can repent. So we wouldn't sit here proud but we could see this. Did you forget what you came from?

Also I heard how now we have just one opinion, just one thought - not conflicting things among us. If we have different opinions then we have to go to that person and make it one - we can't have discord in the Body. We are only freed from evil spirits when we are saved and as we cry out to YAHSHUA that we would be saved from these worthless spirits, bad desires. They are going out as we repent and give our lives - through suffering. Nobody said it was going to be easy. No one told me that.

Yadon - It is a perversity in us if we think about and long for the things from the past that needs to be repented of. We have authority over unclean spirits. We have authority to cast out those bad spirits that come to us.

[Yoneq spoke about Racham who is a 13 year old boy from the ghettos of Fortaleza whose parents released him to come to Londrina with us. He is saved and now has a true Father in heaven and earthly 'fathers' who discipline him.]

I didn't let Racham come to the sacrifice this morning. He complained this morning because he had to do breakfast and said things that never should have come out of his mouth. I asked him, "How could you let things like that come out of your mouth if you really loved our Master with all your heart." (Our Father allows these things to show what is in our heart.) What is in the well comes out in the bucket. He will have to live with us as an unbeliever until he can show that he has come to repentance about these things. It is just like blaspheming. (And going back home is like blaspheming your own salvation.) Whoever is with Messiah, on His side, gathering with Him, not scattering, let's raise our hands. If you are not, don't. Let's not be hypocrites.