

How to Walk Worthily of Him

A word of instruction about starting songs:

This was shared in response to somebody suggesting a song they wanted to sing. However, instead of taking the initiative of starting it himself, he looked to somebody else or to the musicians to start it.

Let me talk about this before we start progressing and go on into the race. Let's learn to start songs spontaneously ourselves, instead of being a clergy-laity system. The musicians are our servants. They accompany us. Try to learn to start a song, or you will shrivel and dry up. In the beginning we didn't have musicians. Someone started a song. It was spontaneous. When someone had a guitar they followed along. If you start a song and you don't get it right the musicians will get it. You will learn to start on the right key.

This morning I started a song. I started this song on the right key. Sometimes when I'm nervous I don't start on the right key, but the musicians will get it. On some people we can have mercy and help them to get started [*see Evening Minchah, 25 November 1996, Sus, and Morning Minchah, 26 November, Sus*].

You are as you think you are (Pr 23:7).

2 Ths 1:4-8 — Obviously they were going through some trouble at that time. Verse 4 talks about how Paul boasted among the churches of God about their perseverance and faithfulness. Verse 5 — All this is evidence that God's judgment is just. Those who are suffering, the ones who are being persecuted for righteousness' sake because they are part of God's people, will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God. Verse 6 — He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you. It talks about this in the Law in the old covenant writings (Gen 27:29; 12:3).

If anyone curses you, slights you, goes by in a car, saying, "Hey, those people," in a detrimental way, they'll be cursed. Of course sometimes they do it ignorantly. If they speak inadvertent words out of their mouth from an evil heart they'll be cursed. The sons of Isaac, the

true seed, the true sons of God have to walk worthily of that. If people curse us we have to walk worthily of that.

2 Ths 1:7 — This will happen when our Master is revealed from heaven.

Verse 8 — They refuse to know God and refuse to obey the gospel. They refuse the royal invitation to eternal life and being in the kingdom of God. People can be in our midst for days, weeks, months, and refuse the royal invitation. They are looking for some sign, or a miracle of some sort. But really they don't want to do God's will, only their own will. They disobey the invitation, the gospel that tells you how you can have eternal life and delivers you from having to go to your designated chamber in death.

In an earlier minchah ha-emeq had been sharing that there were chambers in death. These chambers had been reserved for us. Our names had been written on the doors to these chambers — one chamber for each one of us. And inside the chamber there was torture waiting for us. Our Master Yahshua took everything upon Himself that was waiting for us inside those chambers, and of course not only for us but also for all of mankind.

Col 1:9,10 — Walking Worthily of Him

Our Master's death was real, and our death must be just as real. He won't give His Spirit to anybody who doesn't die as much as He did. There is no Holy Spirit apart from that. A lot of people haven't died, and so after 20 years they leave. Really, they love the world. They never gave up their lives. "I wasted 20 years here. I'm going to sue them."

Mt 10:38 — In order to have eternal life you have to be compatible, deserving of Yahshua, meaning you have to die also. He can't have anybody in the flesh. If we are here seeking our own desires, if we are like that we have to resign from the Body. The Body is the torture chamber for the flesh, but abundant life for the spirit.

Col 1:9,10; 1 Jn 2:6 — We have to walk worthily of Him. We have to walk in the same way He walked. In order to go into the kingdom and rule, that is, to make decisions for Yahshua,

you certainly have to crucify your flesh. We need to die to our flesh. You will be rulers. You will rule over cities, some over five, some over ten. After we crucify the flesh we live in our spirit.

We have to ask for wisdom, insight, and understanding. If we don't have these we're going to err. Yahshua had wisdom. He got it the same way we get it. In His humanity He had to rely on divinity. To walk worthily of Him requires wisdom, understanding, and insight. If we don't have these we need to resign from the Body, because we will be a stumbling block for so many. Without wisdom and understanding we don't know His will; we don't know His ways; we don't know how to conduct ourselves in the household of God; we don't know how to be with each other and how to speak to each other; we don't know how to love; we don't understand where and why we fall short of love; we cannot discern what is working in us, hurtful ways and iniquities that have been passed on to us, hidden sin that has to be revealed to us that causes us to stumble and could cause others to stumble as well. So without wisdom and understanding we will not be able to bear good fruit and to walk in a manner worthy of Him. Especially the elders need to have wisdom and understanding and insight.

There is no such thing as an elder that is not prayed for. If you don't pray for the elders you are not part of the Body. If you are led by the Spirit you pray for them. The elders ask for wisdom, insight, and understanding. We are not indecisive anymore. We are not the old Reuben.

Let's resign, go back into the world. You want to? Well, then let's ask for wisdom and understanding. Everything we do is for love. Pray for our Father's will and purpose to be done, or we will die.

2 Ths 1:5; Col 1:10; Mt 10:38; Rev 3:4 — All these places talk about being worthy.

Rev 3:4 — Why haven't they soiled their clothes? [*Someone interjected: "They confessed their sins."*] Of course they confessed their sins, but they did something else — they walked *worthily*. How do you walk worthily? By asking for grace, wisdom, and insight. How can you be a wife, husband, elder, parent, brother or sister without asking for grace, wisdom, and understanding? How can you live one day in the Body without asking for wisdom? If you have not, you don't ask. If you ask and don't get, something is wrong. Then you have to go to the

elders or leaders or someone ahead of you for help. You are really going through a hard time. Something is blocking you.

1 Jn 3:22 — If we ask we receive if we do what is pleasing in His sight.

1 Jn 5:14-15 — We know He hears us. Sometimes we don't know He hears us. Maybe we haven't confessed our sins.

Rev 3:4 — Why didn't they stain their garment? They were walking in the light, in wisdom, understanding, and revelation.

You know Proverbs 2 — everyone in here is either in verse 21 or verse 22. To be treacherous is walking without grace, understanding, and wisdom. That's a treacherous, unfruitful person. Where did our Master get all His wonderful words He spoke, as in Mt 13? We spoke about it the other night. *[See the notes from the evening minchah and the celebration before the breaking of bread, 23 November 1996, Sus.]*

We are disciples. We know the right thing to do. We know to go to the throne of grace, we know to ask for wisdom, understanding, and insight. If we don't do it it's sin. The Holy Spirit teaches us, and if we just do the right thing then we will grow, spread out, have clans, farms, the abundant life along with persecutions as our Master promised us.

What does Col 1:10-12 say? Who is the Lord? Our Master Yahshua. These verses are comprehensive. They almost say it all, just like Pr 2:21,22.

We can't understand anything unless we have understanding. Understanding has to be our possession, or it's just words to those who will be cut off. It's just words to people who don't care about God's will being done and His heart being satisfied. It's the heart of David that will do His purpose. Everyone in the New Covenant has the heart of David. We want to do His will, His good pleasure. We are His offspring. Can you imagine His turmoil, the travail of His soul? What is the fruit from that? What is it going to look like?

Man will fill up the universe even if it takes trillions and trillions of years. Even God cannot fill up the universe. He made the universe. It doesn't stop. It goes on forever and ever. There is no end to it. Life will go on and on. That's what He died for. He wants rulers now, those

who rule over their thoughts, emotions, desires. He wants people in the Spirit who are not thinking about themselves but about others, who are praying for others, who are encouraging others. Especially the leaders have to be like that. That's our Father's purpose. It's the least we can do to be in the kingdom.

Let us step forward and draw near and lift up our prayers, supplications, intercessions, and thanksgivings. We know what we need to pray for now in order for our Father's name to be hallowed. Our Master wouldn't have said this if His Father's name were great. His name is mud. Israel dragged it through the mud. We pray according to Mt 6:9-15. We ask for our daily nourishment for our soul — the word of God. It's a prayer for the *us*. It's not, “Give me my daily bread,” but, “Give us our daily bread.”

Let the word be assimilated now, spoken of, regurgitated, digested in every cell. Don't be afraid to say things you have learned in the Yom Kippur teaching. Don't think we don't need it. That's the world. We have to be repetitious. I need to hear it over and over again.