

January 31, 1994, Morning Sacrifice Sus House, Boston

Indifference and Love

1 Chr 28:9-10

Where is Solomon today? Where is the son of David? 1 Chr 28:5-10. Be careful to seek out all the commandments of YHWH your God. Find out the definition of "seek". Solomon was commanded to know the God of his father, to be intimately acquainted with Him. He was to serve Him with a loyal, undivided, whole, uncorrupted and pure heart. He was to know and serve Him with certainty. He was to do all these things with a willing mind.

YHWH searches all our hearts and understands all the intents of our thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you. If you don't seek Him, He may hide and you can't find Him. He may want to see what you do. If you are not seeking Him then you are forsaking Him and He will cast you off forever. It seems like Solomon is in death, obviously Solomon will be resurrected to stand judgment. We will be judged by how we sought for Him in the morning. He is really not far away but if we don't seek for Him it shows the indifference in us. He doesn't want indifference in His Kingdom. If you seek Him He will be found by you. It is not by your own efforts to find Him but He wants to know our hearts. When He sees us seeking Him He lets us find Him. Our Father knows all about us, the intentions of our thoughts. He reads our minds and understands us perfectly. Paul said our love is an affectionate love, our love shows affection. 1 Cor 16:22 in the Greek.

1 Cor 13. "But if I have not love..." Do we have love or do we not have love? I am nothing without love, I have no glory, no worth, no weight of eternal glory. 1 Cor 13 says all the qualities of agape love. 1 Cor 13:1-3. If you were to put it into your own words how would you put it? Maybe something like, "The most heroic self sacrifice a man could do means nothing without love." Love "suffers long", means being patient with irregular people who have flaws. Love is kind, love is action which is a verb. Love is non-possessive, love is non competitive. If you have love, love actually wants other people to get ahead. Love is not seeking your own. Love doesn't parade itself, love is not puffed up. Love doesn't behave rudely, love displays courtesy. Agape love is not irritable or touchy. Love is graceful under pressure. Love thinks no evil. You are what you think. Love doesn't keep account of a wrong done to you. Love hardly even notices when others do it wrong. Love erases resentment. Love doesn't rejoice in unrighteousness. Love rejoices in the truth. Love progressively advertises the good. Love bears all things doesn't it? Love defends, love holds other people up, love thinks the best of others. Love never gives up on people, love hopes all things. Love affirms our brothers future. Love endures all things. Love perseveres and remains loyal to the end. 1 Cor 13:2. If we don't have love we are nothing, so love makes us something like glory. John 13:34; Eph 4:2,3; 1 Pet 1:22.

With no love there is no glory. How do you rate a person? How do you rate our Master? He is grade A, number one. He perfectly represented our Father. *Kabod* is glory, it signifies weight or heaviness. What we say has weight. Glory is importance, it is that which exhibits a mans inner worth and demands the respect of others. Without love I am nothing. John 17:22 If we have glory we have weight, weight that demands the respect of others. We have to have that same glory in John 17:22. Do we have love? Do we exhibit love? Do you have glory, the inner worth that demands respect? If you have love you have glory. If you don't love, not having the respect of others you have to get your whip out to get people going instead of your respected word. Same as Eph 5:21. In John 17 it is clear that without glory there is not unity. Without love and unity He will tell us, "depart from me, I never knew you...". Without grace, we will have no love. He is the one we seek, we seek Him with all our heart.

When Christopher was baptized God's love was poured out in his heart and he is to use it in increasing measure. We learned what *phileo* and *agape / ahavah* love was, not long ago. So all those who seek Him let's raise our hands and pray. Let's take the exhortation David gave Solomon in 1 Chr 28:5-10, and build the temple, His house. This is written down for us. He wants us to be living stones, this is how we build — through love! Unity is unity and any outward separation negates unity. If we don't have unity we are not His people. Phil 1:9,10.