

22 October 1995, Evening Minchah, Social MeetingSus, France

Let Us Come Forward and Draw Near

Let us come forward and draw near. Let us lift up hands without wrath or dissension in total unity — the same unity as the Father and the Son have — nothing dividing us from each other. We are for each other, we love one another. All our sins are confessed. If our sins aren't confessed we don't value the blood of our Master. If there is any guilt left we don't see, don't understand the worth of our Master's blood.

Social Meeting: Encouragement and Divisiveness

We can't progress unless we realize Heb 3:13. If we don't encourage someone who needs it, we are hardened by sin's deceitfulness. Hardened means to have a stained garment, like the people in Sardis. They thought they were alive, doing fine. They probably didn't know anything was wrong until the letter was written. Maybe we are already in that state and don't know it. A lot of people think if you don't do anything wrong you can drink from the victory cup. But it's not that. It's abiding in the vine, bearing fruit, encouraging one another.

To be divisive is the worst sin because it destroys the Body. A person could murder, commit adultery, commit an act of sodomy — it's not as bad. A person could murder five or ten people, and it's not as bad as being divisive. The five or ten people will be dead, but the Body lives. That's what matters, what is most important.