

9 June 1993, Morning Minchah Manasseh
Loving His Word

Jn 7:16 — "My teaching is not Mine, but His who sent Me."

Jn 7:17 — These were chosen before the foundations of the earth to be willing to do the Father's will. They have the needed illumination to recognize that your teaching is from God. If they reject that, they reject the Son of God. If you speak, seeking His glory, then if the person is chosen, they will know. That is, if you have no deceit in you. To deceive is to give a false impression, to trick. If it is not the Holy Spirit speaking through you, then you have to be clever in your speech which voids the power of the cross — that is what cleverness of speech does.

Jn 8:37 — "You seek to kill Me because My word has no place in you." His word makes no entrance into them, makes no progress in them, doesn't find a foothold in them. But we know that the word *convicts* us if we are His people.

Jn 8:31 — The word *does* find a place in His disciple — it cuts him like a double edged sword, it makes progress in him, it has entrance into him.

Jn 8:51 — Since it has an entry and is making progress in him, has a foothold in his life, and convicts him of his sin, then he shall never see death.

In Jn 7:17 they did not know it was God speaking to them. Faith comes by hearing it spoken by someone who is out of touch with Satan. Paul didn't come in cleverness of speech, embellishing the word, but he preached the cross.

So many people come and go because the word has no entry into them (Jn 8:37). In Jn 8:31 He was talking to those who believed in Him, but their belief was not a belief unto salvation because you can see that shortly after that, in verse 37, He says that His word has no place in them.

In Jn 8:51 He is saying, "*Abide in My word.*" You cannot obey His word unless you are abiding in it. You cannot abide in His word for long unless you are obeying it.

What if we don't stay in it, if it is not in our hearts, if we are not loving His word? It means we are not His disciples and we don't have eternal life. But if we abide in His word, we have eternal life, we are His disciples, and then we will know the truth and the truth will set us free from

everything which binds us. If I don't abide in the word, how can it make an entry into my life? How can it have a foothold? If we are disciples we will bask in His word. When you read the word it confirms your faith.

Jn 6:65 Many may come and go, but no one truly comes to Messiah unless the Father grants it to them. He loved us so much that He granted it to us to come to Messiah. This was a gift — an illumination we all needed. We didn't even *know* we wanted to do His will, but when we heard the message, it brought faith to us. Our Father chose us and let the word have an entry into us. And now we can obey His word and never see death. We abide in His word and His word abides in us. That is what a disciple is — that's normal.

Jn 6:44 — No one can come to Me unless the Father, who sent Me, draws them. Jn 6:63 — And to those whom the Father draws, whom the Father grants it to — to them the words we hear are spirit and life. Spirit and life.

Jn 6:65 — He chose who would have a will to serve Him and who would not. He granted it to some.

Hakam: Eternal life is not natural life. It is life that came from heaven. We actually have *life* that God gave us. That's why we speak *life* — we speak the word and it is *life*. That's why it is quenching and dulling when you don't give out what goes into you — when you think what you have isn't life-giving. The life we have is so immense and vast that one little piece of it that we have received is multiplied abundantly when we bring it out. That's why we have to be faithful to bring out what we've received and not let it just sit there.

ha-emeq: Rom 10:8, "The word is near you, it is in your mouth and in your heart — that is, the word of faith." And faith comes by hearing. If His word is so precious to us and really finds a home in us, then we are disciples. Sometimes it seems so far, but what does it say? It is near you — and (Philemon 6) by the active sharing of our faith (faith is what you hear from the Holy Spirit) we will have knowledge of everything in Messiah.

Philemon 10 — Paul begot a child in prison. He had a seed within him which came forth to bear new life, a new person. A new life came forth out of the word that Paul had in him.

Levi: It is tremendous that He has given us faith and we can take it and give it to somebody. And faith opens people's eyes — illuminates. Once a person is illuminated, they want to hear more faith.

Grace: We've each been given grace to illuminate a certain part of the kingdom and He needs us to walk in the works that He prearranged for *us*. He needs each and every person. We can't want someone else's glory, wanting to do someone else's works, because that would leave the place *we've* been given in darkness, and then others would have to work twice as hard to try to lighten

up our area that *we* have been given *grace* to illuminate. We have to be *active* in sharing *our* faith that we have been given.

Phinehas: If you are wanting someone else's glory, you're burying your talent.

That's why our Father made you *you*, and not somebody else.