

Shabbat morning, 23 January 1993 Brazil  
Fellowship; Light Affliction; Good Foundation  
Chanowk's Arrival

Chanowk learned to walk with God. He was a natural man under the second covenant. He could distinguish between good and evil, but he had to be disciplined to learn how to stay within the boundaries of the covenant. When we get close to those boundaries we get disciplined. So we choose the best road, the narrow way. We are learning to walk with Elohim. We have something greater now than the knowledge of good and evil and we know the boundaries we are to stay within, the boundaries of His lovingkindness. I know Chanowk is a true living son of Elohim and a friend because he knows those borders and is acquainted with the best way. We stay within those channels of peace and when we get out, we know. It is a way that is constricted by the pressure, it is a narrow way. The Holy Spirit is our teacher, guide, leader — He leads us and disciplines us. We are His sons. A son is disciplined by his father. We are illegitimate if we don't sense that discipline. Chanowk is a man under discipline. "I discipline those whom I love." He is a loved man. A Chanowk. He walks with Elohim. Can two walk together if they don't agree? They cannot — there is no communion, nothing to talk about, it's an uncomfortable situation. How wonderful it is to walk with someone you do agree with, as two who have the same heart and mind. And we are learning to have the same heart and mind as our Creator. We (man) went off course and now we are coming back onto that channel, that pure channel, and once we are on it, we don't want to change channels. We are learning to love that river. We are learning to love fellowship.

We don't know anything about the suffering that our Master called Paul to go through — greater than any man.

Our Master did not suffer physically in His own flesh as much as Paul. Paul suffered for 30 years taking beatings and more, for YAHSHUA's sake. Paul is our inspiration, that we can read. He was so loved by our Father that he wrote most of the new covenant. He didn't deserve to be saved. He was ready to kill more disciples because he was zealous for God and he had not yet come into the truth and YAHSHUA knocked him off his horse. It wasn't by any good that he did to be saved, it was through the grace of our Father that saved us. Three days later a man was sent to Paul and told him what he had to do. Paul was repenting for three days but he had not yet received the Holy Spirit. He obeyed the instruction of the Master, and then the man said, "You can't receive the Holy Spirit unless your sins are washed away." Baptism is like dying and burying your old life and receiving a new life. YAHSHUA becomes your King, your Sovereign of this nation we are building. When we are baptized we celebrate the funeral. We celebrate the new man we take on. We weren't sad when we died. We were glad to put the old man to death and receive the new life of our King and Savior. After that, we walk in His steps, following Him, denying ourselves daily. What happens when you don't deny yourself daily as in Luke 14:26-27? You start losing grace. You have to follow Him, follow His teachings, follow His Spirit. Then you'll see self control, patience, peace, joy, love — those are the fruit of the Spirit.

Momentary Light Affliction

We can thank our Master for the light momentary affliction we suffer. It is nothing compared to the suffering of our Master, Paul, or the disciples. But we will suffer more than we are now. We are being put on a solid foundation first. He has to dig down deep enough and get on solid rock and then we can take these things that come upon us. Otherwise we will probably be washed away. (Lk 6:47,48) A good foundation cannot be built on sand, it has to go all the way down, the footings have to be on solid rock. That is the house we are building — the tribe of Naphtali is the

house where YHWH lives. We are that house. The first edah was (Heb 3:6) that house, (Lk 1:32) the household of Jacob that YAHSHUA reigned over as King. YAHSHUA came as King to reign over that house (Lk 1:31-33) — whose house we are. They said Heb 3:6 in the first century, but you can see in Eph 2:22 the house that they really never became on earth. If you put those houses together you can see (Lk 1:31-33; Eph 2:21,22; Heb 3:6). We are that house but is there a stipulation? If we hold fast the boast of our hope that we had at first. Did the first church hold that? Obviously not. Did that church cease to exist? It ceased to exist on the earth. Those who overcame, continued to exist as the church in heaven, when their bodies died on earth. Their souls, consciousness, the real you that your body houses, went to heaven. Our Creator wants to save my soul from experiencing death for all eternity. He experienced death for all men. If we trust YAHSHUA, we trust Him with everything. All those who didn't hold onto anything are still here, growing in His presence.

So we are to hold onto that confidence and take care not to drift (Heb 2:1), which is an unconscious process. If we dig deep and lay that foundation we will continue to be that house. We live by every word He speaks. If we ignore this word, we are going to fall just as sure as the first church fell. Those who overcame, their soul went to heaven with YAHSHUA. The others' souls went to death (Rev 3:4), they were not able to ascend to our Master when they died. We want to be that house. We must keep our garments clean by our confession, not allow any accumulated guilt from sin to stain our garment. But we have an Advocate we can go to immediately when we get it dirty. That is what His blood provides. Blood that is already shed by YAHSHUA who already died for us to wash us. We can be thankful for our daily care and that He cleansed us from our guilt, past and present. We know if we have done wrong — we know. And we are thankful we have a Savior.

#### Cut Off for Seven Days

When people don't receive we go to them with another person. If they don't receive us then, we take them before the Body. If they don't receive, we cut them off. When you have the whole community facing you and you don't repent, then that is stubbornness and you have to stay outside the camp for seven days (Num 12:14-15) like Miriam had to stay outside the camp for seven days.