

17 November 1996, Evening Minchah      Reuben  
Order at the Minchah, Part 2

*Somebody was repenting before the minchah. It was a pretty deep and long confession but it was something that neither the elders nor the body was really aware of. There was not a clear and resounding response of forgiveness from the body.*

We don't repent at the minchah. This should be done before. This is the time to celebrate and give our incense, the time for prayers and intercession. Don't get into this and have repentances here. This would destroy us if everybody came here and started confessing. Obviously the elders didn't know anything about this. Repenting is the opposite thing of what the minchah is.

*Addressing the person who was repenting:*

It's wonderful that you are confessing your sin, but it's out of order right now. That's why there was not a clear response from the Body because it was out of order. It should have gone to the elders first, and then the elders should have judged it in the kahal. If someone is out of fellowship, if it's a woman she doesn't wear her head covering, if it's a man he doesn't lift up his hands. But they still come here and stand in the back. Repenting should be done before we come to the minchah, otherwise we go down.

Like 10 years ago, everybody here was confessing their sins at the table. It was drudgery. I don't want to hear it. It should have been done before. It should have been confessed to our Father and to whomever else it needed to. Coming to the table and listening to all of this was discouraging. If we don't cut this off right now we'll get into this. This is not the proper time. The time before we pray and lift up our hands is the time to share. That's when the Holy Spirit speaks to us. Not after. Then we are in the flesh. You are holding the people that want to go to work. When we say "Amen" it's over, unless the leaders have a word of instruction.

After the time of prayer, when we say "Amen" it's not the time of teaching and so forth. The time before we pray is the time to speak if the Holy Spirit has something to say. This happens in different places and we try to correct it. Always when we have a big confession you have hardly any incense. The only confession is when you have been cut off before and the elders explain it. This is not a judgment meeting. If the elders think that you need to confess something publicly you say it and explain it, but you have already been forgiven. If something needs to be said here along those lines, or confessed, it should be edifying and encouraging. If somebody wants to expose His condition and stretch forth his withered hand he should go to the elders before. This is how it should generally be done.

*Joel, the French Jew whose confession we had received and whom we had "baptized" had been sent to Israel to take care of his affairs a few days ago. That's where he decided to take his fate into his own hand. Today he called his wife Sandra, who had just partaken in her second breaking of bread the night before, to follow him.*

Joel's wife Sandra made a false confession. She told a lie. She made confession by the spirit of Satan when she said that Yahshua is Sovereign. You only can make confession that Yahshua is Sovereign by the Holy Spirit. He has to come upon you. The same happened with Joel. They came here because it was a nice community. She broke the covenant. She wants to follow him. She has never been loyal and never made a covenant with our Master. She said, "Yes, that's right. I came here to follow my husband." They said they want to come back if things work out. You can't do that. You can't be in the body unless you made confession by the Holy Spirit. If you are not here to worship Yahshua and devote your life to Him you are in the wrong place.

Heb 10:22 — Let us come forward and draw near. This is talking about the minchah. We come forward with our body and draw near with our heart. We are pure physically and spiritually, through the water and the blood. If there is any uncleanness we bathe before, so that our minchah can be pure and undefiled both physically and spiritually.