

May 5, 1994, Morning Sacrifice Boston

Putting on Messiah in the Morning

(We sang, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity. . . .")

If you have eternal life, you have unity. The way you know you have eternal life is if you have love for your brothers. You know because you greet one another saying, "Shalom" every morning. If you say *shalom* and you're not in unity, you're a Pharisee — a hypocrite. A hypocrite is worse than a homosexual because he's a liar. That's why your guilt **remains** — stays with you forever Jn 9:41. It's the same as when someone sins deliberately (high-handed revolt), not because of weakness or coming under temptation, but because they deliberately continue on knowing what they're doing is wrong, but they connive, pre-meditating their sin 1 Jn 1:6 We have to practice the truth, carry out the truth. What did you do this morning to practice the truth? What was the first thing you did when you got up to practice the truth? You clothed yourself with Messiah and put your mind on the Spirit. It doesn't matter what you have to go through to do this — Daniel got down on his knees three times a day and praised our Father and asked Him for help. He was a man of high esteem, a respected man of high glory, who demanded respect of others because he got on his knees and turned his face towards Jerusalem and asked his Father for help.

We have an orientation program each morning. Remember the first day in school you went through orientation and you got your program and had to find out what classes you were going to take and where they were.

The first thing we do in the morning is to set our face towards the east. There's no doubt about it, when the sun comes up you know exactly where the east is. When you first see the sun, you don't have to see it, the glory of the sun comes first. You put your mind on the east, you're not distracted, you know you're living for our Master and you put your mind on Him (His spirit in you is your guiding light) then you are set for the day. Then no matter what you have to go through during the day you have put on Messiah and you are clothed with Him and ready and you come down to the sacrifice and encourage and love and set the stage for the type of day you are going to have. But if you come down and you're not orientated you have no glory and no radiance and it shows on your face.

Kharash — orientation is when we remember who we are. When we wake up there are all kinds of familiar emotions and spirits coming to us, so we need to set our mind on Yahshua, that's where we need to be. We need to be ready, because we don't know what circumstances will happen when we get up. I need to know who He is and who I am. This is the only way I can give my family what they need from me. Without His grace I can't do it.

You have genes in you passed on to you by your earthly father that you have to do something about — like Elionai (Ethan's son) who has a wonderful, patient abba who continually encourages him. He brings him to aerobics and doesn't get aggravated at him. Pretty soon Elionai's neck will be bent, Ecclesiasticus 30:12. All the children here are wonderful; they are learning to pay attention at the sacrifices. People in the world can't imagine it, they come to visit and they are shocked at how our children are. It's good to bring your children here early in the morning and train them. It takes diligence to do this. Elionai comes to aerobics and if his neck is bent, pretty soon he will like doing them. Right now he doesn't like them, but he will if he is trained. He doesn't have any other choice. We are accountable (responsible) for how we raise our children. We can't say, "I tried to do it, but it didn't work." Gen 18:19 — Our children were

chosen to do something. The sons of Abraham command their household and children after them.

It's so hard to do exercises. When we first started it seemed like eternity to get through them, but now it's getting better because of repetition and getting into shape. We can't do it in any other place. I'm so thankful we can be in the C.H.E. place (caring, healing environment). Do we care for one another? We have to watch ourselves, what we say. Someone said to me that they didn't get cared for. "No one cares about my family night." "No one cares about my anniversary." The children say, "No one cares about my birthday." We have to be careful not to think this way. If you want to have friends, you have to be friendly. Someone said to me, "I don't have any friends." Well, you haven't been friendly. You can't think the solution is to wait for others to come to you and that you're here to be encouraged. *Ahavah* love (or *agape* love) is unconditional love. You love because you love with God's love, without expecting to be loved back. The love that was poured out into our hearts when we were baptized was *agape* love, not *philio* love. So now we can love like our Master, not with a motive of getting something back in return. We love because we have passed out of death and into life. If you don't know if you have or not, you're a pretender. You come here and your orientation was wrong, your mind is on yourself Phil 2:4-5

Attitude

It is according to our attitude how we do things (like the dishes). We are commanded to be the same as Messiah. When we change our attitude, the atmosphere changes. How do we have a good attitude? We have to get down on our knees every morning and ask for grace. Our Master said for us to put our mind on the Spirit. If we'll do this He'll give us life and peace. It's a covenant. He doesn't say, "If you do that, I'll give you life and peace. We've entered into a covenant and we work together

Rom 8:5-6 — But He did say that if you put your mind on the flesh you will die. Mal 2:4-7 — This covenant comes over and continues on into the New covenant. What Phinehas did brought peace to Israel — He was a man of action. He had to put his mind on the spirit to do that.

So Who wants life and peace?

Kharash — I was reading Ps 116:1 and I was thinking that when you know He hears you, your attitude changes. You sense His kindness towards you. Your problems don't change, but your attitude changes.

If you know He doesn't hear you, you know what the obstacle is that needs to be removed. Let's lift up our hands to Him.

Comment — *Yoneq said he would like us to have a paper (similar to the Waco paper) that we could take down south to a Bible-Belt city like Chattanooga and pass it out in the streets. We could pass them out to thousands of people in a day, and more than anyone else they would be interested because they are conservative people in that area. We could pass out a really powerful paper like this all over the world and they would be read. We need to do this.*