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Qualifying the Saints

Hakam — We are on the path of life no matter what comes to our brain or what ekes out of our brain. Tit 2:11-12. We can exercise our will to say no to ungodliness. We don't have to give in to the things we were always enslaved to, saying "No" to the things that had us so captured. We can control our thoughts and emotions that have always dragged us down. We destroy the degrading passions in us before they come out and hurt us or hurt others. When we have these things we judge it, say no to it and reject it — then our soul is restored back to God. He is powerful to save us. We can overcome these degrading passions. We are learning to walk in His ways. We have a will, it's a human thing. We turn it to our Master to be saved.

ha-emeq — I'm thankful for the foundation of Yahshua. I thought I had an air space under the foundation I have in Yahshua. That person, before the foundation of Yahshua, the air head, got brought back up. Someone asked me about skiing. I couldn't believe skiing came up, but when it did the air space came back up too. There I was face to face with my old air space. I couldn't relate to it anymore or remember how to talk about the things of my old air space, as it was so long ago. But our children have this massive foundation, layer and layer of it so when our children fall they smash hard on that foundation. Our children's foundation has no air space as they were born right into it and their foundation in Yahshua was started right at birth. Our children feel like everything is ripped out but when they crash or fall they hit that foundation. When our children were born they slipped out right into our hands, slimy little babies.

Sometimes our children feel less because they don't know about the world and the things of the world (like bands, etc.). It is good our children don't know about these empty, futile spider webs. Our children are good and clean. This is the life, their life, the life of Yahshua.

I'm thankful for the morning and evening sacrifices. We must judge ourselves. We go through many things and emotions but when we come here we know we are meeting our Master so He can speak to us. We all go through the same things. It is by overcoming these things that the foundation is being built into our lives.

When someone is saved in a way out house they should stay there for three months to make sure they think they are ready to go to the tribe. They are tested during this time to a certain degree. People from the tribe who are sent to the way out house are to have a positive effect, evangelists more than anything else. We all need to have a positive effect on the community. We all need to be productive, a productive disciple. An unproductive disciple can actually be counterproductive. Mt 12:30. If you are not having a positive effect then your brothers and sisters are to come and find out why we are not productive, making sure we are not missing grace. They make sure we are not a negative influence or having a negative effect on the Body. We need to have the head knowing what the hand is doing. Each part is made for a certain function in the Body. For example the hand is for carrying things, try carrying your bible with your elbow — it doesn't work. Each part is to be a positive member of the Body. My hand has my spirit in it and it wants to do what my head tells it to do.

My mouth speaks what my heart says. Mt 12:37-39. We are acquitted or condemned by what we speak, what comes out of our heart. 1 Cor 3:16-17. We can't help but be a blessing to one another. We are productive, you can tell a tree by its fruit, if it is producing the fruit of the Kingdom.

1 Pet 4:10. Our life has either a positive or negative effect on the brothers and sisters. We can change, we have the power and ability to change. We don't have to live in our negativity. We live with the responsibility to glorify our Master. We don't live to serve in the strength we muster up,

but we serve in the grace of the strength He provides. Our desire is that He would be glorified. 1 Pet 4:9. Be hospitable, receive one another without grumbling. Why is grumbling even in the bible? We would never grumble, would we? This is written to those on the foundation who can change. Why would you grumble in the first place?

1 Pet 4:8. You can see someone who has been loved, we can't even remember their sins. 1 Pet 4:10. Each one has received a gift. A gift is not earned, we didn't do anything to get it. We faithfully administer that gift to one another as good stewards of His grace and faith. Rom 12:6. Does this remind you of a parable you have been taught? Our children have been raised up having the parables, commandments and proverbs in their heart.

What happened to the unfaithful steward? What is a steward? A steward is a manager of a household or an estate, an administrator. There are gifts entrusted to us for the strengthening of the brothers and sisters. We are to be good stewards. What happened to the bad steward? What the bad steward had was taken away and he was cast out. He wasn't faithful carrying out what he was given. We can be like the steward in Mt 25:30. But we can change and be a productive steward in the Body. He wants to keep us from being a bad steward, keeping us from being cast out. That is why He warned us. This is the New Covenant, this is where we do (Eph 2:10) what we are supposed to do in the Body, not doing something else that is not prepared for us to do. How awful the Body would be if people were going around not doing what they were supposed to do. Overseers are supposed to make sure people are using their gifts. Eph 4:12. Overseers are responsible to qualify people to walk in those gifts, so they are actually doing them. Eph 4:11. Each one knows each other and knows how to get people functioning in those gifts, the prophets know the prophets — evangelists know the evangelists — teachers the teachers, etc.

1 Pet 4:10-12.

Have you ever been in a fiery trial when you think something strange is happening to you? 1 Pet 4:13. Some people partake in Messiah's suffering more than others. Some dodge it, and others have to pick it up so our suffering as a Body equals His suffering. I'm thankful we can participate in His suffering.

Eph 2:10. We are to walk in the works preordained for us. We will eventually be fitted into the Body, set apart for the very purpose we were created for.

Eph 4:11-12. In verse 12 the worst thing in the world is to make a person with a musical gift to work at a machine all day. Mt 25:14-30. Leaders make the mistake of having you work in an area you were not created for, they suppress the gift, the Body falls apart and the children suffer. It does work both ways, we could have someone who was created to work in industry try to teach children music. It hurts both them and the children. Eph 4:12. Eph 4:11 is for verse 12 and goes along with Ephesians 2:10.

Tit 3:5. Were we saved because of our good works? No, it was the reverse. We were saved to do good works. Eph 2:10; 4:12. When a person serves they are to serve with the strength God supplies. Don't do anything without His strength. 1 Pet 4:11.

Talent is grace that He supplies to do what He wants you to do. People may work in their gift but it destroys the Body because it is not with grace. Talent is grace supplied to your natural ability to make your gift fit perfectly in the Body. Grace energizes the gift. But if we work in our natural gift without grace it will be without oil to make it function properly. It is functioning without oil. The Body is to be a well greased machine. Mt 25:14. Man was given talents to go with his natural abilities.

*Eph 2:10.

Eph 4:11. They are the ones who are to equip the saints for the works of service. Qualifying them for these works by supplying the needed materials as in, emotional, social, intellectual and spiritual essentials making them fit for service in the Body. Eph 2:10. Walk means to spend our lives doing what we are created for. We were created in Him for these good works. How are we going to do it? Ephesians 4:12 ... the equipping of the saints for the works of service. Equipping is the qualification of the saints to walk in those works. Qualifying is a refining and restorative process, so that their gifts can be used in grace and faith to build up the Body (verse 13).

Restorative — pertaining to renewal or restoration; healing or bring back to health to them so they can be used properly — adequately, fit for service. It is the training and perfection of the saints. This qualifying is making us fit for the Kingdom, compatible for the Kingdom. It makes us work along in the Body without conflict — productive, not counterproductive.

Like Israel of Gad, he has gifts but he must have grace in proportion to his gifts. Paul said to not think too highly of yourself but only in proportion to the faith you have to exercise that gift.

What if you have a gift without faith or grace? Rom 14:23. A sinner. It produces a lawless deed. We have to have men and women to equip the saints for works of service. It supplies grace to function in that gift.

Grace is strength, if you are willing to do His will and ask for grace, if you are humble He will give you grace. The flesh profits nothing. Our will is only to surrender to His will and He supplies the strength.

Michael Painter, Bill Tiller, James Howell had contention and selfishness around them. They functioned in their natural ability and strength. Then fifteen years later they leave. Just think what would have happened if they had grace and had surrendered all to Messiah. They will do good in the world and make money but they didn't surrender to the coming King. Their unforgivable sin was John 9:39-41.

Eph 4:12. Saints need to be equipped, made fit and fully qualified for service in their gift. They are fully qualified if they have come to the point where grace can be added and supplied to their gift. This is up to the elders when that time comes. Then we start setting people apart for Eph 2:10.

We won't have grace without asking for it. He won't give it to us without asking. You have not because you ask not. It is just as simple as asking. The only thing that would hinder you is pride. He can't draw near to you without you first drawing near to Him. You can't resist the devil and have him flee from you if you don't first submit to God. You can't overcome the flesh without confessing that you can't overcome the flesh, saying, "Without Your grace I can't overcome my flesh. Please help me!" Without asking Him you can't do it. Submit means to give your will over to the will of another. We submit to one another out of fear and reverence for Messiah. Eph 5:21. It is in direct proportion to your love, respect and reverence for Messiah how we subject ourselves to one another. The greater His glory is upon you the greater is your submission. John 17:22.

Eph 4:1-3. This is how we edify the Body of Messiah until we all (no one left out) attain the unity of the faith to be the perfect man. Eph 4:13. I long for the day when we are the perfect man. This is the city on the hill, the woman clothed with the glory of the sun. It will be just like Yahshua Himself being on earth. When we speak the truth in love we will grow up in every aspect of our personality. We are social degenerates, our emotions in disorder and fallen, mentally and spiritually degraded. But we have become one spirit with Messiah when we joined ourselves with Messiah. Now He wants to save our soul. Acts 2:47. How many aspects of our personality need to be restored? Do your mental, social and emotional capacities need salvation

or restoration? We can change and become like Yahshua. Eph 4:15. We grow up into Him in every aspect. Col 1:28 is our calling. Every person is to be presented perfect someday. Our children will learn to speak without intimidation. Our wisdom, knowledge and communication will be like Messiah. Do you believe that? Do you believe the end time Edah will or will not have His power poured upon them? Will Shem, Cham and Japheth come in? We are in the time when the end of the age is coming. There will be a tremendous out pouring of the Holy Spirit in the last days. Rev 5:9-10, NKJV; Rev 11:15; Dan 2:44.