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Sulkiness

What does 1 Corinthians 13:5 say? It talks about what love is. The love our Master commanded us to love with. To love others the way He loves us. If we don't love this way, we're not disciples. Other translations say love is not touchy. Are you touchy? What does touchy mean?

Rinnah — To get aggravated right quick at someone.

Are you touchy? No? Rinnah's not touchy. She's arrived. She's self righteous. She's got a lot of Rose in her.

Touchy. In the Vine house we had a saying: Self life has a touchy disposition. Love is not touchy. Was Moshe touchy? Moshe was gentle and meek, not touchy. He was not easily provoked. Are we easily provoked? I cited. Touchy is apt to take offense with a very slight cause. A meek person is not touchy in this way. The meek will inherit the earth because of their character. If anyone other than the meek inherited the earth, wars would start again. It would be like today all over again. Mt 5:5. Wars will start again in the new age if anything other than the meek inherited the earth. Only the meek can inherit the earth. What if you're not meek? You're not going to inherit the earth. Christianity thinks they will anyway. What if you're not a peacemaker in every circumstance you face your whole life? Then you're not a son of God. If you're in the flesh you're touchy. Love is never touchy. Are you touchy? Rom 5:5. Each and every one of us has His love poured out in our hearts. It's true love that's not touchy. Love is not oversensitive. It's not easily irritated, irritable.

Matanah, are you touchy?

Matanah — The other day I was at a cleaning job and someone accidentally spilled their drink on me and it got on my clothes and I just looked at it and said, Oh well, I'll have to clean it when I get home. Before I would have gotten really upset. That's the way the flesh is.

Matanah is changing. Matanah is an act of a new creation. That's why she's not bragging but she has true confidence because she has the Holy Spirit. Tomorrow you'll be tested. Tomorrow you'll be touchy. Love is not easily annoyed. Are you easily annoyed, ill tempered, over sensitive? Does it require skill and tact to live with you? To be around a touchy person you find yourself in a very precarious, risky position. It is unknown what will happen at any time. You may say the wrong thing and trigger a reaction. If you live around them very long you get ulcers. They're easily ignited, flammable. Are you sulky? Sullen? Aloof? Gloomy and dismal like one who lives for himself and is miserable. Melancholy, sad, gloomy, holding resentment, ill humor, pouting. What causes a person to sulk? When they don't get their own way. Ungratefulness, or to be sullenly withdrawn as in silent resentment or protest. Our rights aren't being honored. We're not being recognized. "They're all working out front where all the attention is and getting all the recognition and I'm back here working my fingers to the bone and no one sees what I'm doing." We don't get any glory or attention. We have opportunities every day to get touchy. What causes one to sulk, be aloof; withdrawn as in silent resentment? Moody is a display of sulkiness, given to changeable emotional states, gloom, uneasy, moody silence.

We can raise our children that way. It causes guilt. A mood is temporary state of mind or feeling. Pervading impression of feelings. Gloomy, dismal, obstinate, sluggish, heavy, slack, lazy or sour disposition. We must know what this is so we can resist it with all our heart when it comes upon us.

Gentleness is not this way. It is not withdrawn as in silent protest.

Will a parent ever allow a child to be sulky? The rod drives sulkiness far from them. Pr 20:30. Passive rebellion is sitting down on the outside and standing up on the inside. Have you ever been doing this? Just waiting for your discipline to be over? Rebellion internalizes. If a child is trained to be sulky he never changes. We train them to be this way when they are sulky and we don't discipline them. Pr 22:6. So that child will never inherit the earth and neither will the parent. Foolishness makes him a fool.

Gentleness is strength under control. Moshe wouldn't sulk when things wouldn't go right. Sulking is egocentric. It's self centered. Touchiness is egocentric. Moshe didn't have to defend himself. Neither did Aaron. The people just had to see who's rod budded. Love never withdraws itself. My rights are not honored. My needs did not get met. Someone overlooked me. We would never grumble or complain. We made a covenant to never grumble or complain. Sometimes in the wilderness the people's needs were not met because of circumstances. Sometimes it was to test them to see what was in their hearts. They couldn't inherit the land.

My honor is not respected, my rights not honored, my needs are not being met. I will sulk for I am owed respect. Only if we have the glory our Master gives us can there be unity. Nothing will break that unity regardless of needs not being met. We are a new creation. We're no longer the same. Sulking is not the fruit of the Spirit but it causes all kinds of things. It keeps us out of the Kingdom. Can you imagine what the Kingdom would be like if there were a bunch of sulky people in it? Rom 8:13. It is by the Spirit and in the Spirit's power we put to death touchiness, which is one of the deeds of the flesh. Do we have the Spirit? Yes. The Spirit's power is easily appropriated for us. His Spirit is set apart for us for the specific purpose to overcome the deeds of the flesh. Sulky, obstinate, rebellious. We're an act of a new creation. We don't sit silently aloof anymore in protest.

If one is meek, he is in control of all his faculties. Meekness is almost identical to self control. Now we know this. What is our Father doing? Heb 10:26. He's doing something wonderful! He's bringing us to the full knowledge of the truth so we won't go on sinning. If we go on sinning after we reach the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins. We need to take this positively not negatively because we can be those in Numbers 15:30,31, despising the word. We've come to the knowledge of the truth tonight on sulkiness, being aloof, ignoring our brother or sister, or wife. We can't enter the Kingdom without the knowledge of the truth. We're responsible. We are accountable. If sulkiness is not dealt with in our lives we will subject others to untold torture, maybe your wife or husband. You may allow your virgin son or daughter to marry. Are they sulky? Will you let your son or daughter marry

one who is? Would you subject them to life long torture? It's the job of the parents to judge this. You've got to investigate before you let your child marry someone who is sulky or given to sullenness. They won't change because they've been trained in it and will not depart from it, except by a sovereign act of mercy. This makes parents accountable to not raise sulky children or another won't let their child marry them. There's very little hope that they will grow out of it. They've been overlooked by a parent who's heart is not toward their child in child training. Sulkiness can be uprooted in a child's personality by his parents. It can be passed on by parents, even adopted parents. It's been tested. Even parents who have cancer, the children that they've adopted and raised up have cancer. And a child who was born from those parents and been given to someone else to raise, they have not had cancer. It's how they were raised. It proves sulkiness can be uprooted. Proverbs 22:15 and other scriptures.

So let's profit by this and not even allow our children to be sullen, sulky, or touchy. Pr 13:24.

Emunah, do your parents love you or hate you?

Emunah — They love me.

How do you know they love you?

Emunah — Because they discipline me when I'm disobedient.

If your parents hate you, you need to go tell the elders. Or you need to acknowledge if they love you. If they love you they discipline you. If they hate you they don't discipline you. Don't spare the rod. If parents do spare the rod the grief will stay with you all your life. Hatred for our children comes back on our own head.

Pr 23:13; 29:15; Mal 4:6; Isa 11:4 Our children are learning to be meek and gentle because their obstinance is being dealt with now. If not, it will internalize and come out some day against God. Rebellion is satanic.

Three whole generations will be allowed to grow up undisciplined contrasted by the male child. After three full generations of being brooded over and trained by the rod of correction.

Those who we're disposed to eternal life believed. Disposition is the way the tree is bent. If our children are allowed to grow without being disciplined their character is bent a certain way. Character is the way one responds or reacts. It's your inborn tendency or acquired by peers. It's amazing how nine parents can train their children so lovingly and diligently and then one parent doesn't. One apple spoils the whole batch. It's everything or nothing in this life. All or nothing. We've got to be our brother's keeper and see to it that no one misses His grace.

Sulkiness is caused by negligent parents because the rod was spared. In our youth it's not forgiven, it internalizes. It affects the way you walk, the way you talk, act, your physical attitude betrays what's inside. Eph 4:23; Phil 2:5; 1 Pet 4:1; Heb 4:1,2. Be careful that none, no not one of you comes short of it. Heb 4:1; 12:15.

How much love does your head have for another part of your body that it would see that it would not miss grace. The head of Christianity is crazy and mixed up and confused. The wrong ways are being dealt with in us. We're the stem. Only by the Holy Spirit who we have living inside us now will we be built. The stem is the worst people on the face of the earth and we're going to raise our children.

We didn't have fathers. A father is only a father if he trains a child. Heb 12:5-12. There's no such thing as a father who doesn't train his son. A son is one who is disciplined, only. If he is not disciplined, he is not a son. He is a human being but not a father or a son. That's the generation we came out of. Now we have a Father who's going to make up for all the years the locusts ate away. We've come to the last and final hour. It's the worst time that has ever existed on the face of the earth. Heb 12:12.

It's a miracle Chetz Baru and Amatz have been raised as they have. So marvelous. Hakam was so rebellious. He hated authority. He was crazy. He'd even driven motorcycles through windows. He almost died a couple of times. He did a marvelous job (considering his own upbringing) raising these boys even though it's been a really hard road.

Abigail — We have to utilize the throne of grace all day long not just in the morning, to not fall into being touchy. He'll give you that help. His promises are true.

Rose — When you're floating along it's easy to be touchy, to react by your bad or irritable feelings. Love is active. Love has to rule to drive away the darkness that covers the earth.

Matanah — One you get in the place of having a bad attitude it's harder to cry out for grace and it's easier to sulk. But if we strive to have the same attitude our Master had then it's easier to cry out for grace because our Master hangs out around the throne of grace.

Roi — Matanah knows when she needs to go to the throne of grace, but if she waits to go, if you let yourself get to that point, then you get locked up. That's like when we offer help to our children but they can't receive it because stubbornness locks them up.

Don't wait till the time of need is over because you didn't go in your time of need, it's too late. Heb 4:16.

ha-emeq — I think some people enjoy the feeling. They even make music that gives you that mood. You feel greater enjoyment out of that feeling. You walk around through the day, you get more attention. People come up to you and pat you on the back and ask you what's wrong or if you're okay. Instead of casting it away as evil you play with it for a while like Matanah said.

Yes, he's in one of his moods today watch out.

Hannah — Self regard is touchy. You're thinking about yourself, how hard things are, you pout. You feel sorry for yourself. Self pity is a waste of time.

*(Tom was quite in the corner struggling. Things centered around him. He was asked to speak.)*

Tom — I don't know what's wrong. I didn't feel like I even wanted to be here.

You can't live by your feelings. You were living by your flesh. You need to crucify your flesh. Consider your flesh dead. You terminate the problem when you crucify your flesh. Consider your flesh dead.

Hasah — Sulkiness is like the thief on the cross who told Yahshua to get him down. The other thief had a different attitude. He thought more like, in just a few seconds I'm going to breath my last and face the One who will judge my life.

The letter to Jennifer, what was the whole gist of it in one sentence?

Jeremiah — You use your will to surrender to His will.

That's right. Then He gives you the strength to do it. If we can learn to do that, He'll do it through us. That's the secret.

Shimonah — Sulkiness crops up in my children when they have a will of their own and I cross it. It's in their slowness and unwillingness to respond.

Roi — It's when we have our own will that we live by our flesh and we don't see the goodness of our God and where He wants to take us. Nor do we see what He wants to save us from. All you see is your own feelings. They deceive you and take you to death. When people in the world have bad feelings they turn to the temporary comfort of drugs, alcohol etc. He has all good things He wants to lead us into if we crucify the flesh.

If sullenness is not dealt a heavy blow, it will cause untold damage. If Tom does not do away with it, Matanah may wind up being your head. She'll always be telling you how to get rid of this thing. We may not even want you to marry her. We may have reservations. If you're sulky you're of no benefit to Messiah. You're counter productive. You're not with Him, you can't gather with Him if you're a sulky disciple. You can only gather with Him when your spirit's free. It is God who works in you to work His good pleasure. You have to let Him work in your spirit. 1 Cor 6:17. If we're one spirit with Messiah, we are sealed with Messiah. He who is in you is of more profit than he who is outside you. The Holy Spirit can be quenched. He won't overpower you to do His will. He won't bend your arm. He's there to receive help from. He's not going to force you. We have to voluntarily give up our lives like His Son did. A person doesn't produce the fruit of the Spirit without wanting to. He doesn't bypass our own spirit and soul. We have to give ourselves to Him to be productive. If we're going to rule with Him in the next age He won't have sulky people. He chooses sulky people and changes them to be just like Him.

Grace — Sulky people sulk because they don't want to suffer. Those is Sardis that soiled their garments were those who wouldn't suffer with Him. Only those who let their flesh be crucified can suffer with Him.

Hasah — Isaiah 53 talks about how our Master suffered. Isaiah 54 talks about how the Edah will suffer. "Oh afflicted one storm tossed and not comforted..." We have the same attitude as He had in suffering to be prepared to be His bride.

I and My Father are one. We can say I and my Master are one, can't we? Our Master says when you see Me you see the Father. We can say when you see me you see the Master. You couldn't say that this morning. We all have to change. We are on spirit with Him, through baptism we join ourselves to Messiah. Gal 3:27. We are by one Spirit baptized, immersed into the body and joined to Messiah, it's one and the same act. Our bodily manifestations reveal the Son.