

April 15, 1994, Morning Sacrifice Boston

We Have an Advocate — a Lawyer

### **Word of Instruction**

What we do when we're young sets the course for our whole life. Yesterday we passed by a cemetery and I told someone that it's too late for those people — they can't live their lives over again, even though they wish they could (just like the rich man who wanted someone sent back to tell his brothers before it was too late for them). If we don't train our bodies when we are young, it's too late when we're older. Amatz and Yoshiah — just a few minutes of stretching each morning and getting your heartbeat going is good for you! We don't want everyone to do exercises every morning because they are forced to — we have been that way all our lives because our necks weren't broken when we were children. It sets the course for life — it's hard to change it when you're older.

It's good to bring our children to the sacrifice and train them to grow up standing or sitting attentive. The reason women don't raise their hands is because they are attentive to their children (this is the only reason).

Sometimes we are also guilty of letting time go by and not being ready for the sacrifice — not coming on one impulse. It shouldn't take us 5 minutes to start to come after we hear the shofar. We should be ready and not be doing last minute things. I know it's hard sometimes with children, but we have 1 hour to get ready (if we do aerobics, we have 25 minutes).

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Some people were listening to music on their job yesterday when there was a radio playing — you need to confess it and be clean or you won't prosper. You know you're lifting up your soul to idols and enjoying it — it's a familiar spirit — our Father understands — just confess it! Go to the throne of grace when you first hear that music — we are going to be subject to worldly things when we're working. Go to Him and pray to have grace in your time of need (Heb 4:16) — don't wait! Our Master didn't wait until He sinned, and He was tempted more than

us. He could have sinned, but He didn't. We can go to Him with confidence in our time of need (Eph 3:12).

Sameach — In Florida, Lebanah (Yowceph Daveed's wife) shared after a teaching about how thankful she was to hear about our Advocate, and how He knows everything about us. Our Master takes what we present to Him and goes to the Father with it. Lebanah wept as she shared, "I never knew He was for me like that". It changed her life to know she has an Advocate.

1 Jn 2:1-2 — this is our Advocate — we already have a Mediator, now we need a lawyer.

We have access to Him through the faith we have in Him (Eph 3:12). We have freedom of speech — we can tell Him everything! We see how much He loves us when we cry out to Him and He hears our voice.

ha-Emeq — We don't say anything apart from our lawyer because He'll protect you. We're not smart enough to know everything and when the enemy tries to trick us all we have to say is, "Talk to my lawyer".

In court a lawyer might know his client is guilty, but he still tries to win the case because he defends him. Yahshua says, "I died for him; he's Mine — I chose him from before the foundations of the earth". He presents us to the Father this way.

The world needs a Mediator between God and man — this is the only way to be reconciled to Him, to bring man back to God. God couldn't do it as an angel, He had to become man. And now He pleads our case for us — He is for us — He loves us.