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The Word of God

When we hear things over and over we need to learn it better because we haven't learned it well enough. Our corporate suffering must correspond to His suffering. In our evangelism and papers we need to be trained and taught by the Holy Spirit. Otherwise we can go along for years and not accomplish what He intends us to. The day of great harvest is coming. We must do everything by the Word of God.

Our Freepapers

I'm not saying that we have been so lacking in the Scriptures as far as our Freepapers are concerned. Our papers should be more effective. They have been effective but our Father wants them to be more cutting. Do we write articles not coming forth from the Holy Spirit? Do we know that He is upon us? Do we at least know we've asked? The gospel covers everything, the whole gamut. You can't add to the New Covenant. It is already done and our Father sovereignly did it.

We can take a few things from the gospel of Thomas. We do have to look at each other through pure eyes. We must be truthful and honest. If someone asks us something we don't know we can say, "I don't know." Through people like this the Holy Spirit can use the word to affect people's lives. If we seek our own glory, seek our own self-esteem, then what we do or don't do or say will be so we can look good or avoid looking bad.

Thoughts can enter our mind, fiery darts, and we can say, "I'm not that way." It is not that we don't do things wrong, but we can judge them. If we walk in the light we will be shown things. The word we must know that is the lamp to our feet is the word that keeps us from sinning against our Father or our Master.

Many people come and go. We don't want curiosity seekers; we're not a tourist attraction. As a result of reading our Freepapers many will come and many will stay away. What we need is wisdom in our Freepapers. How would our Master be if He were the editor? What would the

content be? If we are led by the Spirit everyday it would be the same as it is now. Go in the print shop led by Him. We're not expected to do that perfectly right now, or are we? The expectation must be there now or we will never attain it. Our attitude can't be, "I'll straighten out before Messiah returns." This is wicked. It exposes your heart and you will never attain to it.

Our papers sometimes attract people who, if it had contained the word of God, would have been repelled. What is valid in the thoughts that come to our mind? We fear sounding religious or being identified with Christianity. We want to go the right way — our Father's way. We can be prone to deviate if we follow anything other than the Holy Spirit. The word of God is good.

Once we put out a paper on the play *Jesus Christ Superstar*. People thought it was the program. They thought we were part of the play, handing them out. It couldn't have convicted anyone. We went too far.

We hand these papers out at great expense. We want to attract people by the good word. We should explain Yahshua as if Christianity never existed. Yahshua is the Son of God. When we say, "Jesus Christ of the Scriptures", we are apologizing for Christianity. In the beginning we were unabashed and we attracted more people.

Shoresh: We want to tell people who He is, not who He is not.

Yonah: I rejected Christianity and anything that had to do with the Word. But when my life was ready, when the angels had done a work in me, I received. Even though I argued, in the end I listened.

We must bear the reproach of every false cult that has come down the pike. We must speak the word of God in spite of the pollution of Christianity. We must be just like Yahshua who spoke the word of God with authority. In Nova Scotia one time people asked us "Are you Christians?" We quickly answered, "No, we're not." After that we couldn't be anything else but a cult. We have to understand how to answer.

Kharash: When Christians hear anything that takes them off the broad road, the red flags go up. Anything having especially to do with authority or possessions.

Yoneq: Chuck Smith has already prepared for us coming. They are trying to bottle us up.

Savay: Yahshua preached the same Scriptures the scribes did, but He did it with authority. The people saw the difference.

Caleb: Yahshua came to seek that which was lost. We're writing for those that are really His. I'm grateful for what I've heard these last few days. We are finding out what He is really like. Now we are being freed from the effects of Christianity in witnessing. I think what our papers have been lacking is authority.

Yahnathan: 1 Peter 4:16 — We're ashamed of that name for obvious reasons. But the important part of that verse is that we are to glorify God. 1 Peter 4:17 — That is what our Father is teaching us — what the outcome will be for those who don't obey the gospel of God.

1 Peter 4:16 — *If anyone suffers as a despised follower of Christ ... Christian is a term of derision. Will we always write papers or will we preach?*

Kharash: I've heard it said that the end won't come without the foolishness of preaching. I believe that.

Obediah: The gospel of the Kingdom will be preached through all the world.

Are we convinced that it is the will of our Master to publish papers? Is it His perfect will now? Our Father preserved the Print Shop — we believe that. So when the ones chosen according to our Father's purpose read the papers, they will be drawn. We can't repel the chosen. How do we write articles? Can there be an intellectual appeal to them if we only write in our intellect? Will it only draw the intellectual? Is there such a thing as *soul power*?

Shouldn't we know the Holy Spirit is upon us? Should we pray this before we write articles? We should have this self-judgement. Is it hard to pray? If we know He hears us we have what we ask for. Why would we not know that He hears us? Because there is some blockage, some sin that is holding us back. Most of the time that is what makes it hard for us to pray.

When the Spirit is upon a person he is able to speak with all boldness. (Even Saul was twice counted among the prophets when the Spirit came upon him.) We don't want just a good newspaper. Do we want people to come and see (John 1:46)? Can we apply that to the community? Did Paul ever do that? The paper is not for a person to be saved by. It is not so

much, "Come and see" but rather, "Read and weep over the requirements of the Scripture." And then come and find what you're looking for — salvation.

Should we ignore the Christian religion? How can we not be affected by it? It's hard since it has corrupted the whole earth (Revelation 19:2).

Qatan: Our Master didn't say who He was not. He spoke the truth in a fresh, new way, in a way the scribes and Pharisees didn't. He was led by the Spirit and spoke with authority. But the Spirit would lead us to avoid Christian *clichés* and sayings.

Matthew 7:28 — The people were always hearing teachings, but His were different. John 1:46 — Come and see because what we say is what you'll see or we are Pharisees.

Gader: When people aren't being attracted by the word and we try to attract them by our life, then we have an evil spirit working in us.

Word of God

The word of God is living and active. What does that mean? Hebrews 4:12-13 — The word of God is living and active and before Him no creature is hidden. *Him* is a person. So the word is a person. We have to be careful when we are speaking the word because we are speaking *Him*. The word is Him and the word became flesh (John 1:14). We have heard this over and over again. Are we really hearing it or is it old? Is it going into us now? The word of God is *Him*, the word became flesh.

How do we know His name is Yahshua? Revelation 19:1 — *Halleluyah*, John 17:11-12. *I came in the Father's name*. Yahshua came in the Father's name. He was salvation. Will the Father's name be hallowed? No, Yahshua was given the Father's name; His name will be hallowed. Yahshua is the incarnate word of God. We have His word recorded. He spoke the good news we have today, which is the power of God for salvation for all who believe (Romans 1:16). He left us with the gospel. The gospel is whatever is written in the four gospels. It will break through all resistance in those who are chosen.

John 1:1,2; 2 Timothy 1:10-12; verse 9 — Grace has already been given us. It is like anything else that is accessible to us. If we don't use it we are worthless. We have abilities (gifts)

naturally, but grace must be added to them. Verse 10 — *By the good news* have life and immortality been brought to light. Light — this is what must be in our Freepapers. If grace is communicated through our papers our Father will use them.

This man, the word of God, who now communicates and expresses Himself through men who proclaim the good news, is the mediator. Yahshua, the word of God, is the mediator. There is no distinction; He is the word of God.

1 Timothy 2:5,6 (*himself human* in the NRS); John 1:14 — This is the *Him* in Hebrews 4:13. The word is a human. The mediator takes the middle position acting through an intervening agency, exhibiting indirect causation. He is expressed through the word. Is Yahshua the mediator or is the word the mediator? Yahshua is the word of God. Who died, Yahshua or the word?

Yonah: When our Master died the word went away. Our Father didn't have anything to say until He rose from the dead. It was dark on the earth then; there was no light.

Yahshua brings to light life and immortality through the word. You can't separate Yahshua and the word. The mediator takes the middle position acting through an intervening agency, exhibiting indirect causation. Is our mediator indirect? The Holy Spirit is a representative, administrative spirit, which is a person. We are too. We are representative, administrative people of the word.

A mediator brings accord, brings a connection or a relation. The word of God interposes between God and man. Without the word there is really no conviction. (It is indirect because it comes through men.) The word became flesh. It's got to continue to be flesh.

Yonah: That's why John says any spirit that says He hasn't come in the flesh is of the antichrist (1 John 4:2).

A mediator promotes a settlement between two parties, a reconciliation, bringing together two parties who are at variance. A mediator can bring terms of peace.

It is very important that we speak the word of God to people. Faith comes by hearing, not by reading. The word of God is a person. The Bible is not a person. The word of God on the lips of a person out of touch with Satan communicates Yahshua. When a person like that comes

around and you are willing to do His will, you'll listen and obey (John 7:17,18). This is the only way we can build or else we are building with hay, wood and straw and it will burn someday.

The word is used in His place, in His absence by the sent one as a substitute for Yahshua. Is the word or Spirit the substitute for Yahshua? It's the Spirit and breath; you are one spirit with Him. You can't separate the word and the Spirit — they are one. The person is not the mediator; it is the Spirit and the word. The person must be out of touch with Satan, filled with the Spirit and word and with the breath of our God. "My words are spirit and life," Yahshua said.

The word of God is the Scriptures. Is that right? Is the word of God contained in the Scriptures? Logos/Rhema — we need to understand these things. 1 John 5:20; 1 Timothy 2:5-7; 2 Timothy 1:11 — Paul is a herald of the Gospel. The word of God brings life and immortality to light. The word of God is contained in the Scriptures.

2 Timothy 3:16 — The word of God is used for teaching, reproof, correction, and for training in righteousness. God's word is an extension of the divine being. It is to be heeded by men and angels. Once uttered it can not come back void. John 7:17 brings the recorded word (Hebrews 4:12) into life and activity. The word spoken is active. The spoken word divides those who are willing to do God's word from those who aren't. Hear the word! It brings to light life and immortality.

There can be no improvement on the will of God so we must know the will of God. We must be sure. Our Master wouldn't go to the cross until He knew for sure it was the Father's will. God has a will and a purpose for everything. What is relative knowledge? To know His will and purpose relative knowledge is not enough. Like the Raid, we had to know what His will was. We are gaining, we are learning His will (like about government). But He has led us along. We will know the will of our Father.

If we don't know His will, when circumstances flood us we'll do the wrong thing. We must know His perfect will. We must handle circumstances correctly. Circumstances are our friends. There is no possibility of growth without circumstances. There is no possibility of living

by the Spirit without circumstances, problems and needs. We must know exactly what Paul was communicating in Romans 12, probably the very reason they fell away.

We must continue in His kindness, not reacting in the flesh. We are liable to do anything if we don't know His will. (The first thing to do in natural disaster is not to fear or panic. It is not for us. It is no Satan who causes rain, the thunder is His voice.) We've got to know exactly what Paul was communicating in Romans 12:2. We must be in Messiah. If you are in Messiah you are in the commonwealth of Israel, you're in His kindness, His people, His love.

It is so comforting to know we're in His kindness, that we're loved. Love is so obvious, like lightning from one end of the sky to the other. We are in a place where there is true love. Walking in the morning to pray and give thanks, to praise Him, is so wonderful. Yet we err in many ways, we neglect people. We must be in the commonwealth of Israel (Messianic kingdom community). We are separated from the world.

John 17:14,15,17 — Disciples are not of the world but protected from the evil one. (He says they are not of the world two times.) To be not of the world is to be in the commonwealth of Israel. The world will hate true disciples who live by the word. He has given us His word that we would have perfect knowledge of His will. We are not of this world as much as He is not of this world. We do not set our minds on earthly things. (The greatest example of earthly things lately is the Persian Gulf War, getting into it while not bringing any benefit to the Edah.)

Transformation

We must be transformed like He is talking about. Transformation is a matter of life or death for us. If we are not transformed we will abide in death when our live is all over. Some can be superficially transformed and others are truly, radically transformed. We must be transformed by the renewing of our mind. The Spirit dwells in our spirit. Before we can change, our minds must be renewed.

(This is the same mind we've always had, but it has to be renewed. It will be the same earth in the 8th day, but it will be renewed, transformed. He will build our immortal body out of

the very atoms that went back to the dust. Yahshua's body was no longer in the wrappings; it was renewed into an immortal body.)

We are being transformed into the very likeness of the One who made us. Messiah has a mind. Therefore we must have His mind. We must change our mind into His mind. We're transformed by the renewing of our mind. Many people are slow transforming because the word has had so little impact on them, it has made so little penetration. Some are late in being transformed, they are late in the word.

What in the world is transformed? Romans 12:1,2 — Without this we will just be Christians. We want to come to know what His perfect will is. He added divine nature when we received His Spirit. We still have human nature though, our natures are not co-mingled. We have two distinct natures, human and divine, just like husband and wife are one but have two distinct natures (or wife and child's blood not mingling in the womb).

2 Peter 1:4; Romans 12 — It takes hours to understand this, submit and surrender to it. We and our children need to know His perfect will. Our children need to know Romans 12:2 as we do. We must know His perfect will for the twelve tribes. We must act with one impulse, connected to the head or we'll be like the first church and go astray. The first church was never transformed by the renewing of their minds.

Savav: I don't think our children understand that the written word has a consequential effect on them. It hasn't been impressed upon them, they haven't been nurtured.

Reya: It's because the word is not living and active in us. They must see the living waters in us. They must see us obeying His word.

We must have a full knowledge of the will of God. One of the things in the gospel that is good news is that if we don't use all of the talents allotted to us we will be cast out into the outer darkness as worthless (Matthew 25:14-30). When Messiah returns He is going to give each and every one of us added grace. He added talents to the slaves in the parable. When He returns He will add grace to us if we use what we had already.

1 Peter 4:10 — We must know and understand the will of God. We are lost without this. It is why we make bad judgements and decisions (like evangelism before paying our taxes). We are to be good stewards of the talents and grace we've received. Good stewards of the manifold grace of God — without that grace we can't use our abilities; we're just cranking it out (doing things on our own strength, in rote). If this is how we train our children, it will damage them. It is not nurturing them.

The Strength He Supplies

1 Peter 4:11 — This is the word of God. What does it mean to us? If we don't live up to this we'll see death (John 8:51). It must be in our life. People without the Holy Spirit would get ahold of that verse and it would produce in them a pretended reverence, a religious piety. 1 Peter 4:11 — Are we conscious of speaking the very words of God? Does this mean just at our celebrations? Is it just men?

Do we serve with our own strength? If we do is it a violation of His word? Are we going to be prepared for His coming? Will we see death? We must ask for His grace or will not know where our help is coming from. We'll be out of touch, in our own strength. If we do this then the prayer we are being asked to pray, that our Father's name will be hallowed, will happen (obedient to verse 11). He will be glorified if our minds are transformed in all things through Messiah.

Sharon Rose: I'm encouraged our Master is speaking to us about this. He has spoken to us about the way we eat, our clothes, sexuality and other things. Now He is speaking to us about speaking His very word. Just as we've increased in all those other areas we will here too. I'm thankful.

We must have a full knowledge of His will. Only through the word can we understand His will. People who don't do His will are asked to depart from Him (Matthew 7:21,23). All of us have abilities to be employed in the Body for service. If we are not doing this we are not getting our strength from Him (Ephesians 4:11-13). The only purpose of teachers is to equip the

body for works of service. We need teachers everywhere, on the job, in the kitchen, as well as set-aside teachers. We can't wait for the teaching to pass things on; it has to be a continual flow.

Matthew 25 — We all have abilities and talents. Talents are given according to the abilities a person has. Talents are grace or faith — what lets you accomplish your abilities. Grace comes from faith. This is the only way we'll progress with the body functioning in coordination under the head.

Romans 12 — We must come to have a renewed mind if we are to be transformed into His likeness. Transformation happens as we walk as He walked. The word of God is the only way we can be transformed spirit, soul and body. It doesn't just happen by our own doing. 1 John 2:6 — We are transformed by the renewing of our mind so that we will know God's perfect will. Then we would be right there with Him as a friend — a covenant partner. We give Him our devotion, love, loyalty and affection. To know that we are able to please Him and do His will pleases our spirit. Our flesh must be destroyed.

Transformation is a supernatural change. There is no way you can change yourself, only the word of God can do it. Transformation is a supernatural change worked into the nature and character of the disciple. This is what our Master told the disciples to do in Matthew 28, "Go and impress the word upon them just as I did to you." The Holy Spirit led them to preach that sermon on Pentecost. All was alms giving from that point on.

This transformation takes no less than the authority of Messiah. Ephesians 4:12-16 happens through men sent by Him with Messiah's authority. He has given them the authority to do what they are sent to do. We have no strength without this authority and grace. Ephesians 4:12-16 allows every one of us to serve by the strength He supplies.

Matthew 28 is the great commission. People will be transformed by the word of God (John 8:31,51). If we are not headed to Ephesians 4:12-16, then we are headed the wrong way. These men are set apart. They are to equip the saints for works of service. We are to speak the truth in love so all can grow up into the head. Matthew 28 — All teachers and evangelists are doing in the body — impressing upon others what He has impressed upon them. Without that we

can't change. We can't do anything without Him so we must continually ask for this strength and grace.

John 8:31 and 51 say the same thing. A true disciple will not see death because he knows and obeys His perfect will. It will be disaster if we don't know His perfect will in times to come. We'll end up like Eli — old and fat. Paul said, "Who is competent for all these things?" (2 Corinthians 3:6. God intends a supernatural change in us (Philippians 3:21).

There is also a superficial change intended to disguise one's true nature. 2 Corinthians 11:13-15 — To the degree they are deceived the more truthful they sound. Their punishment will be greater the closer they are to the truth. The elect can't be deceived because they are transformed by the word of God.

John 6:45 (from verse 44) (You know when you were drawn. This discounts the enemy. Our children will not feel this drawing so much but their will must be used to give up their life.) All who have been drawn will be taught by God. This is an Old Covenant Scripture brought into the New. They won't be taught superficially. They will be transformed spirit, soul and body. The imposters in 2 Corinthians 11 transformed themselves, but it was only superficially, not supernaturally. It wasn't the power of God.

Transformation is being taught by God to rule the universe with Him. It is having the mind of Messiah. Satan transformed himself; that is how his ministers do also. In the past, many in the community have transformed themselves, but they have only wrought a superficial change. That's why our Master said we are pruned to bear much fruit to prove to be His disciples. A little fruit can deceive; much fruit proves you are His disciple. We can let both grow together until they start doing certain things. The kernals of darnel turn black when ripe; wheat golden.

The people who only superficially changed weren't willing to be taught by God. 1 John 2:20,27 — They didn't come under the anointing. They already knew, they didn't need teachers. They resisted the word. No created being has in himself the power to radically change. Paul used the word *metamorphosis* of character to describe being transformed into His image. Stories about our Master communicate how He really was.

2 Corinthians 3:18 — The word has authority to make a radical change in our lives. Matthew 28 says *go make disciples*. True disciples cooperate with the process. They sit under the teacher who has set under the feet of the apostles. Only those who belong to Him can be transformed radically. If they don't they cannot. Romans 8:7 — They don't have the indwelling Spirit. The Holy Spirit actually intervenes. This is how we become like the Son. He can't and won't do it other than by His word. In 2 Corinthians 11:14 Paul used a different word besides *transformed*. He used the word *masquerading*. Transformation is outside a person's control. (Like the story, *The Mask*).

Kharash: Our Father wants to make clear to us that the teachings must be filled with inspired utterance. The atmosphere of teaching is essential for change. True teachers impress upon others what was impressed upon them. We need set-apart teachers in every community to achieve this. The elders will rule over this to make sure it is being done.

Qatan: It's impossible for created human beings to change themselves from their unredeemed state, but there is a wonderful grace imparted to us by knowing and obeying His word so we can become like Him. The only way it can be done is to have His will impressed upon us by someone everyday inspired who makes that impression upon our lives. We must have men whose total vision is equipping the saints so they can serve with the strength He supplies. This is the only way we will survive. It is the only way to set your mind on the Spirit — having something in your mind to keep it on.

Gader: In the same way the evangelist will proclaim His word to equip the saints. It is a continual flow.

We are to enforce it in the Body. We survive on the revelation whispered in our ear and impressing it upon others. We must bring back to our memory what has been spoken to reinforce it. We are responsible or else we'll be able to pick up the book of James and read about us — more so than the judgement on the first church. We have the written word and we won't fall the way they did. The greater deception is going to come upon us.

Daniel: The elect won't be deceived because they will know the Father's will. It will be just like Yahshua knew His Father's will. Our mind will be renewed to know His Father's will. We must set aside prophets and teachers or we'll fall away. We must spend our time studying and teaching. I love to hear Him speak to me. When He speaks our Father wants to increase us, He wants to speak to us all

the time. 1 Peter 4:11 is attainable because He is renewing our minds. Romans 10 — We can't speak what we haven't heard.

Jamaica, California, California forerunners — we must pray about the issues to know our Father's will. I don't want to go to California unless it is our Father's will. It is an awesome thing, so big. It will take every person to confirm if it is our Father's will. It could be an adventure or nostalgia, many things. I want the perfect will of God. We need prophecy, not what you think but what you know. Prophecy is the very utterance of God. Should we go or shouldn't we go?

Jill: When I had my last child it was a long, hard labor, as mine usually are. In the midst of it a thought came to me, *I'm never going to have another child*. Then I thought, *That's not right, I love having children*. I repented from that thought and I had grace to go on.

There is something about a woman's suffering to have a child that bonds them together. It was during this labor that Shephrah said, "This is why children should respect their mothers, because they suffer so much to bring them forth." Modern society is taking away that bond between mother and child. There is no way a hospital would let me labor as I need to to bring forth a child.

Our suffering bonds us together. There is no suffering in Christianity. I'm thankful for the suffering we go through to bear children.

Shephrah: I'm so thankful for our women who go through the pain of childbirth. They don't turn to the medical system. Some women don't suffer very much in childbirth. But I know the women who greatly suffer are a type of our bringing forth the male child. I'm thankful for them. And I really want to repent of living on my own strength.

(A brother repented of wearing a mask as though everything was all right. He said he didn't know how to stop being the way he was.)

Of course you don't know how to do it. All you can do is call out on Yahshua. When you say you don't know how you are still trying to figure it out. You have to let go and let God. We are saved by our confession. The enemy can't accuse us after this.

Salome: It says in Job, in the Living Bible, "I show you these things not to condemn you but to show you the way out."

You don't have to go back to the water again. You just have to let Him save you. You have to let the Word transform you.

Word of God, Discussion

[On April 2, we talked about the March 27th teaching on the Word of God]

Deshe: When Yoneq taught on the word of God it really stimulated something in me. I knew I could see some of the significance of it but not all. We talked about it last night in our household. Somehow our talk turned to the papers, how we need to speak the word of God, how the word of God was made flesh. My wife received revelation in her heart.

I asked my household the questions Yoneq asked: *Did the word die or did Yahshua die? Is the mediator the word or Yahshua? Is the mediator God or man?* (Is it Yahshua, God, or Yahshua the man? As high priest He qualified as man.) *Where is He now?* (Heaven) *Is the Word of God still flesh? Is it still living and active? Who is the mediator now, here on earth?* (The Word).

Luke 24:45-47 — We talked about our papers. Should they penetrate people's hearts? What should they communicate? Our papers should cause people to weep at the requirements of the Scriptures and desire to be saved. These verses tell what should be proclaimed to all the nations, *repentance for the forgiveness of sins*. This was written down. He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. Substitute the word of God for *He*.

The word of God opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. The same thing must happen to us. Paul was called as an apostle, preacher and teacher. How does the word of God become flesh? Does the word have the same authority through apostles and teachers today? Are the Scriptures they word of God or do they *contain* the word of God? We say the word is contained in the Scriptures.

Fundamentalists say the Bible is the word of God and doing this they project a spirit that says He didn't come in the flesh. If the word of God is only in the Scriptures, then they don't have to listen to men. They become *concrete-bound epistemological savages* (a quote from Ayn Rand). It is lawlessness because they never come in touch with God's authority. Fundamentalists brand us as liberals because to liberals the word of God is *contained* in the Scriptures. Liberals more openly don't want to be under His authority. Since we are under His authority we are standing in the only place we can.

Psalms 107:17-20 — Some were sick because of their iniquity, they loathed food. Then He sent His word through His authority and it healed them. Healing comes through the elders — James 5.

Some feel under compulsion to know where things are — to prove what we know — instead of having confidence in the word we have heard. Where did Paul get his thoughts about head covering? Did it come from the Old Covenant? No, there it was the priests who'd cover their heads. In the Old Covenant the mediator hadn't come yet, so they covered the men's heads. Paul had the revelation that He had come and he spoke it.

People could have said to him, "Where is that Paul? Show me that in the Bible, Paul?" If Paul were talking to fundamentalists he would say, "This is what Messiah has revealed to me." Paul said things he couldn't back up with chapter and verse in the Old Covenant.

Yonah: Paul couldn't back them up with absolute precision because he was the one given it for the purpose of defining it. Where did Isaiah get his revelation?

Hakam: Paul had the authority of Yahshua so his words were Yahshua's words. Our Master surprised the multitudes because He spoke with authority. They had never had the Scriptures or anyone come to them that way. Paul knew the Scriptures so he knew the overview.

David ben B'rith: Proverbs 1:23 says *I will pour out my spirit on you and make my words known to you*. Paul lived a godly life. Yahshua's words backed up what he was saying. Paul had confidence; he was inspired in Messiah. He was like Isaiah and Moshe.

Ruth: My father was a fundamentalist pastor. That was how I grew up. When I heard that something in me clicked. A lot of the reason I thought it had to be clear in the Scriptures was the fear of man. I thought I'd have to spell it out for others. Christianity is so defiling, it puts doubt into people. It sets me free to hear that the word of God is contained in Scripture, that the word of God is Yahshua.

The fundamentalists try to interpret everything by the letter without the Spirit. It is dead. They think they don't have their own interpretations but they do (and their own traditions — Yoneq). That fear of man keeps you from hearing our Father.

Adam: It is a wicked thing for a man to say, "I don't have to be under the authority of man because I'm already under the authority of the Bible." It keeps them from doing God's will because they think they are already submitted to it.

Cephas: We need our minds transformed. Christianity is trained to receive the dead letter. But it is only the living word which sets you free. If we abide in Him, the living word, we will know the truth and the truth will set us free. The letter kills, it doesn't bring life; the Spirit brings life.

Kharash: The word of God is the active agency in the community, sanctifying us. It is the basis for our evangelism. It gathers us to the standard where we can obey. The living word produces fellowship. Yahshua was the word made flesh.

He always sends His word to delegated authority to accomplish what He wants it to. Delegated authority holds us together; this is how He sends His voice to us. It all has to do with abiding. The living word upholds the written word. The Spirit won't give us utterance to uphold any other standard. We uphold by speaking and living the word — the truth. The church is the pillar and support of the truth.

The Spirit leads us to carry out the living word in every area we touch (like wearing seat belts). I can identify with fearing not understanding the Scriptures. What I really need to fear is not abiding in the living word of God because He is going to lead us into all truth.

The people who are more prone to be ashamed of the gospel are those in whom it hasn't done its full work. This applies in many areas. As we are raised up and sent out we will walk as our Master walked. We will speak His word, not our own. A person willing to do His will won't have to check the sent one out on every word — if the sent one fulfills John 7:18 as well. He can't be speaking his own word.

John 7:37,38 — Many aren't thirsty. You see a difference between those who are and aren't thirsty. If you are thirsty you will drink all the water. John 7:38 — What is living water? Did that mean rivers? (Is it the living word? Ephesians 5, *washing with the water of the word* leads us to think this.) The living water is the Spirit.

Can you separate the word and the Spirit? It can't just be the Spirit; it has to be the word also. The breath comes forth; the word is breathed out. The breath comes over the vocal chords. Watch how your tongue controls all the sounds you make. It is a miracle of communication. The Spirit must be there or only empty words come out.