

Your Sin Cuts You Off

Pr 28:13 — When we gather, we can lift up Holy hands, unless someone is caught in a sin. All sin cuts us off, no matter how we may reason. It is simple — sin cuts you off from the vine! (Jn 15).

Your cuts you off until you confess and renounce this sin. We must be able to proclaim our sorrow and as we also proclaim our intention to forsake this, forgiveness and compassion can be released to us.

Being disobedient is sin. Having a bad attitude cuts us off. Not receiving — many things can cut us off. Not having a warm affection for our Master will cut you off. If you are abiding you will be warm towards Him (1 Cor 16:22; the Greek says *affection*).

Many things happen, but we can be overcomers.

We must be here for our King. Our loyalty is to Him. Not loving Him is the result of being cut off.

Our Father desires that every place where our Master's name dwells, men should pray without resentment, wrath, anger, or even quarreling. There can't even be any such thing among us (it should not even be able to be mentioned). There can't even be any doubt in your mind.

If two parts of the Body make a dispute or have been quarreling or have any amount of resentment or even doubts, how can we go on, how can we begin, how can the first pair of hands be lifted up?

No one abiding in the vine would tolerate dissension or difference of opinion. No one who is in communion with our Master is disobedient to Him. No one who abides in Him sins. You can't be in sin and communion at the same time (1 Jn 3:6). If you are in communion with the Son of God, it is impossible to complain. So if you are complaining you are cut off.

If you think you are connected and you know you are complaining you really don't know Him. Complaining should make you miserable, which should let you see the sin of complaining

and cause you to repent, confess, and renounce this. Are you content to be miserable and cut off? We must expose our bad attitudes, expose our sins. Our behavior must be acceptable. Do we not yet realize how our sin hurts others? We should be a good element in the Body and not a reason why we are not increasing.

We have many chances, many opportunities to overcome, to be obedient. We can deny self. Live a life of love and offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

We are to be free of complaint — no quarreling, no doubt, no resentment. If we are this way with affection for our Master, we will love the brothers, our conscience will affirm us, and we will know (as well as others, because love is obvious) that we are connected.

The one who sins while saying he is connected to the Son of God has no experiential acquaintance with Him. Whoever is not on His side is against Him; whoever is not gathering is scattering. We have to have love and a good conscience so we can discern His Body.

If anyone hurts God's temple, he will be destroyed.

Did you know that if the word of God is being read or life-giving reproof is being spoken and you get distracted you're not in communion with the Son of God? You're falling away! There will always be people who fall away. Only chosen people who have been joined to Him through a covenant of love and surrender will be able to stand. No one has to fall away if they just repent of their wicked attitudes. Even if you fail to judge yourself, you still can receive your brothers who come to help you be connected. Loving people is helping them be connected.

We need life-giving reproof and correction.

Do you love Him?

Are you living only for Him? (1 Cor 10:5-7,11; 1 Jn 1:6).

Those on their way to salvation don't complain. They are happy, their sins are forgiven, they have vision, they know complainers won't make it into the Kingdom.

We have left the world to make it in the Kingdom. But if you complain you won't make it. We have examples of others so that we won't fall away in the same way. We can receive the warning.

Respect

The youth must have respect for all the older among us. They must also see who is further along in their walk in Messiah Yahshua and be led by them.

We should honor those who are better than us, better in their love, obedience, and better in their faith. We should honor them and nurse from their life — get nourished from what our Father has planted in them.

If you have disrespect for any older brother, you must judge that you're not in communion with the Son of God. Also you are a liar, because you claim to have fellowship with the Son of God (1 Jn 1:6).

The order of salvation is that the younger in the Body submit to the older brothers and sisters; wives submit to husbands; we all submit to each other out of reverence for our Master. If you're not in that order, you're not in salvation. You are not connected to the vine.

Sometimes things come down to you from the judgment of someone else — trust their judgment, not your own.

1 Pet 2:17 — all the way to 1 Pet 3:1.

It comes down to self-judgment, which is better than anything because without self-judgment you can't love, you can't have self-control. We must have self-judgment. We have to have circumcision of the heart and our flesh must be cut off. We must have the inward condition that we wear outwardly (the sign of circumcision).

What is a servant to do under a hard taskmaster? 1 Pet 2:17 says honor all men, even the unreasonable (verse 18).

Does it say to the slaves, "Judge your master"? Notice how he treats you; get others on your side against him; lead a rebellion? No, it says to honor — "have inward and outward respect." Show respect; demonstrate to others your respect; treat them honorably.

What happens to you if you quietly endure unjust treatment? How does our Father regard you? 1 Pet 2:19 shows what finds favor. Verse 20 — If you bear patiently with those who are unjust, that's well pleasing in the sight of God.

Verse 21 — Our Master suffered for us, leaving us an example. We are His followers. He called us. May we choose to follow in His footsteps. He is our example.

Verses 22,23 — If we suffer when someone is being hard, still being submissive to him, not judging him, it will allow the person to see he is wrong. Endure hardships — if we can't do this we are in the category of Rom 8:7.

Rom 8:7 shows who is or isn't a disciple. If you have the Holy Spirit, you are able to subject yourself. We don't pick and choose who we are going to obey or the kind of attitude and reactions we are going to have. We just obey according to the word. It is so wonderful we can present the word; it is useful for reproof and correction. By His word we will be saved. It shows us how to live.

When someone is hard on us, we should submit as though we were submitting to our Master. We obey without question!

Our Master wants to save us from death. If we are obedient we will never taste death.

Love to a resisting heart is a tyrant, but to a yielding heart, love is a king.

God hates death more than anything. He has left us His Spirit and given us His word in order that we wouldn't see death.

Do you have a yielding heart or is there resistance there? We need to be done with resistance and all forms of rebellion.

Our King is so kind, so worthy of our loyalty and respect. His name is above all names and He deserves to be first! Our chief love should be to Him; all He wants from us is obedience so that we will not taste death.

Racham was cut off this morning. All the brothers are young here. An older brother is someone about 20 years old who has been in the Body 5 to 7 months. Racham is 13 and

he is very street-wise and he knows how to execute his own will, but he is learning to receive our Father's will. Yoneq and ha-emeq are placing him on such a stable foundation. He gets dealt with on every attitude.

This morning he asked for forgiveness. (He was cut off due to lack of respect, complaining. He said, "By the grace of God I will not do this again. I want to repent of this. I want to grow up straight. I know if I had lifted my hands I would have been a liar and I don't want to be a liar.

Racham confessed his sin. He renounced, and proclaimed he wanted to be different. He found compassion.

One of the men, Sameach, a marvelous brother from Brazil, spoke to Racham thinking maybe some of the men might not be respectable. He said several things that could have brought in more division and disorder (Satan loves this). But the words spoken by Yoneq exposed his heart to himself. He judged himself and stopped all of us to say he was sorry. "I want to repent. I don't want to bring in division with my logic. I can see that from the Scriptures the logic of God is different from the logic of man."