

FAMILY BREAKDOWN - THE REMEDY - WEEK TWELVE

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As we continue our journey seeking the path of reconciliation between the Two Houses of Israel, it is obvious that there is need of change within the attitudes of both Houses. Instead of residing in the “House of HaShem” we are happy residing in our own houses, convinced we are actually in the “House of HaShem”. We have deceived ourselves in believing that the people of the other Kingdom/House must leave their House and come and reside in our House. Perhaps we both need to leave our respected Houses and come and reside under the wings of HaShem and HaMoshiach. It is the House of HaShem where we will find safety and the environment that brings about Godly change, thereby creating in us a clean heart. Building our own constructions which to “live in” is akin to Adam and Chava covering themselves in fig leaves.

All citizens of biblical Israel should yearn to live in the House of HaShem and I am sure most do, but I am persuaded that we have failed to recognise His House. Interestingly enough we have been promised such a House.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You trust in God, trust also in me. In my Father’s house there are many places to live in; otherwise I would have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you to myself, so that you may be with me where I am. You know the way to the place I am going. Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’ Yeshua said: I am the Way; I am Truth and Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.” John 14:1-7 [NJB]

The opening words in the above passage are immensely important. Somehow we must come to the point of trusting HaShem and HaMoshiach. This trust will draw us out from our own manmade structures and have us desiring to live in the House of HaShem. Yeshua told His talmidim that there is plenty of space in the Father’s house to live in. In

fact Yeshua Himself has/is preparing a room for us to reside in. Please understand that all citizens of biblical Israel must eventually dwell in the House of HaShem. This House will be under the management of HaMoshiach Ben David. This House will be a House whereby all residents will employ Torah as their lifestyle. This House will be known as the House of Israel. In the context of our subject of reconciliation the nation of Israel is the House of Israel. There is enough space to allow all the tribes that make up both Houses, and those who chose to join, to reside in the House of Israel.

It is HaMoshiach Ben Yoseph that has paved the way for our return. He was sent so those who were far away [due to lawlessness] could return to the fold. We could say Yeshua has gone back to the Father's House to report that He has completed the mission He was sent to do. I say this just to make the point that Yeshua as Moshiach Ben Yoseph has been obedient to His vital "role" as mediator between HaShem and the Children of Israel. It is this work that allows Him to go and continue preparing the House of Israel for the Children of Israel. How long is it before He returns as Moshiach Ben David only HaShem knows.

Making preparation is not only a responsibility upon Yeshua but on us as well. We must prepare ourselves to live by the Household rules and regulations. We need to be very aware of our propensity to bring unwanted baggage into the Household of HaShem. Whilst HaShem is full of love, grace and mercy toward His Children, as evident by Him supplying our every need, He will not allow pollution to enter His House. Shamefully both Houses have engaged in polluting the House of HaShem.

"For the children of Judah have done what is evil in My eyes – the word of HASHEM; they have placed their abominations in the Temple upon which My name is proclaimed, to contaminate it." Jeremiah [7:30](#) [AST]

"..Have you seen what disloyal Israel has done? How she has made her way up every high hill and to every green tree, and played the whore there?" Jeremiah 3:6 [NJB]

How can we claim to love HaShem and HaMoshiach when we engage in such atrocities? We cannot make such a claim, and part of our preparation to be allowed to live in the House of HaShem is to rid ourselves of these self indulgent atrocities. This is not

“earning our salvation”, but it is showing our love for HaShem, Moshiach and the Land of Israel.

Due to our sin HaShem has scattered both Houses throughout the world. One of the reasons we have been put into this position is to bring us to a point of having to undergo Teshuvah. The biblical pattern is that we [the Children of Israel] more often than not, require some form of persecution to bring us back to our Master. It is crucial that we comprehend the fact that the best place for us to dwell is under the roof of HaShem, performing mitzvot under His instruction.

The “place” Yeshua is preparing for the Children of Israel will have the Torah as the foundation. Please understand that the Torah is the vehicle of love for the Children of Israel. It is only when we pollute and distort it, that it seems a burden and almost a document of “hate”. The Torah that HaMoshiach will teach us will be a “document” of love. It will bring about love for HaShem, love for Moshiach and love for one another. HaMoshiach is the living Torah, and always has been.

“In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through Him all things came into being, no one came into being except through Him. What has come into being in Him was life, life that was the light of men; and light shines in darkness, and darkness could not overpower it.....The Word was the real light that gives light to everyone.....” John 1:1-9 [NJB]

If the Word was/is God, and we are told this is so, then surely we can see why we must adhere to the Torah of HaShem to teach us biblical love. This is why Shaul encouraged us with the following:

“May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the perseverance of Moshiach.” 2Thessalonians 3:5 [NJB]

Turning our hearts towards the love of God and having the perseverance of Moshiach Ben Yoseph comes through embracing the Torah as our daily life style. This is how we learn to love God. We know God first loved us because He has given us the Torah in “its” purest form, when we were engrossed in sin or Torahlessness.

As mentioned this sinful behaviour has seen us dispersed throughout the world. Yet this has allowed all the Children of Israel to re-evaluate our position before HaShem. Let us

take advantage of our time in the Diaspora to rid ourselves of self and the pollution of idols and begin the process of reconciliation. What an opportunity we have been given to set things right, to do the will of HaShem. I suspect the time span to do this may be fast coming to an end and we would be wise to acknowledge this and act accordingly.

As a people we require Godly shepherds whose focus is on pleasing HaShem and doing His will. We require Rabbis/Teachers who want to obey HaShem rather than men. As a people we must return to the faith of “our fathers” and practice the Judaism Yeshua practiced, keeping and following the instructions of HaShem.

We Jews find ourselves studying in what is called a “Yeshiva”.

Yeshiva ישיבה Sit, Sitting: This word comes from the root letter שׁב which mean: Settle down; Dwell in peace.

This is a “house” of study, and it is to be a place where you sit and dwell in peace learning the instructions of HaShem. What better place to do this than in the House of HaShem, a place that HaMoshiach has prepared for us to come and sit at His feet. Such a House will and does provide the atmosphere of love, safety and growth. It is like a hot house that some vegetables need for growth and protection in a cold winter climate. It is a place where the Children of the Most High can flourish without the threat of “disease or pest”.

It is a place where the fruit will ripen at the perfect time and provide the perfect nutrition. It is a place where shelter from the elements is found and the loving Hand of HaShem [HaMoshiach Yeshua] supplies our every need. This is a place that has unshakeable foundations. It is a place of warmth and comfort, a place where the Light of HaMoshiach constantly shines. This House is the House we Children of Israel [Judah and Ephraim and those who join] call HOME. This is our heritage, the original “homestead” fully “renovated, renewed” and prepared for the return of our people, the Children of Israel. It is in the House that HaMoshiach has built for the Children of Israel where we will find our Shalom, a place of rest and fulfilment.

Let us do our part in the refurbishing of this perfect House presently being prepared for us. We can only achieve this through the love of HaShem invading our heart and soul. This will only take place if we grasp the Hand of HaMoshiach Ben Yoseph, follow His

example and return to our Father's House, sitting down in peace, learning Torah from the Master in the place He has prepared for us.

Truly there is no God like our God, the God of Israel and no nation like the Nation whom He elected.

Blessings to all citizens of biblical Israel,

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