World — Letter to Mike McHugh

Dear Mike and the fellowship on Campus,

Greetings to you and the fellowship on Campus at UVM. You have only heard of me but I would like to meet you when I return to Island Pond for a visit.

Although the brethren could not endorse your pamphlet in defense of the church at Island Pond, I do appreciate your concern for justice and the way you defended justice. You do have a gift for saying to the point the issue you want to put across. You did well. I am sure the reason why the brothers could not endorse the whole paper you wrote is obvious to you in light of the stand they are taking in relation to the world and all that is in it.

It is our heart that we "would not love the world or the things of it", and we have expressed this through our baptism — a baptism of an appeal for a good conscience. We have made that appeal and steadfastly hold to that appeal. The baptism we have experienced has brought us out of the wicked and perverse generation, which every true baptism does, bringing one into the Messiah. As Abe/had a good conscience and made a righteous sacrifice, we who have experienced this baptism can now offer a righteous sacrifice to Him also. The appeal Peter speaks of in 1 Pet 3:21 is an oath that all who are in Messiah by virtue of the baptism of 1 Cor 12:13 made at the event of this immersion into His very life. The oath of this appeal to YHWH is a final declaration of the belief one must have in order to be sealed with His Holy Spirit as a guarantee of their inheritance, as Paul says (Eph 1:13 14). Titus 2:12 14; 1 Pet 3:21; Acts 2:38; 1 Jn 3:11 24; Jn 15:18 — Why did Cain kill Abel? "Because his own actions were wicked and his brother's actions were righteous -so don't be surprised if the world hates you ." The world, then, is all those who have not yet made a real appeal for a good conscience. For only those who have made that appeal can offer up righteous offerings to our Father in heaven through the High Priest, our Sovereign Yahshua, the Messiah who is over the House of YHWH (Heb 10:21 23; 3:6). We hold fast to that appeal which is the confession of our hope. We do what we do with a good conscience (Mal 3:3). We have made that appeal to YHWH for a good conscience through the resurrection of Yahshua, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of YHWH. Today we all who have experienced this baptism, which "saves" us, have a continual craving of a good conscience after YHWH. We who have gone down into the waters of salvation, trusting in the name of the Son of YHWH to save us according to our good confession (the oath), recorded in Rom 10:9-10, are saved by His Life, which we received when we died and were buried with Him. This is fully based upon His atoning sacrifice for us (2 Cor 5:15). The one who bestows the Holy Spirit knows for sure if one has died with Him in baptism (Rom 6:3 4), and those who have, walk in newness of life in the Body they were baptized into.

What I am writing to you, Mike, is simple, and a child of YHWH could even understand it. The reason that Cain killed Abel was simply because of the same reason that those of the world persecute and hate those of this Body (1 Jn 3:11 13). "Don't be surprised if the world hates you." We then know that we have passed out of death and into life (at baptism) because we now are loving the brethren of this Body of Messiah, those in whom we have been immersed. (Brethren — a family.) This is the Commonwealth of Israel — the community of Israel. Outside of this community, there is no hope and no true God (Eph 2:12, 19 (Household)). You can see in Eph 2:12, 19, that Paul is speaking of more than just a "fellowship" on a college campus. For the college campus is the breeding ground for every worldly aspiration and philosophy of the day. It is the epitome of all the world has to offer. The true baptism brings one out of this world and into the fellowship of YHWH's people, members of his Household. It is this Household, which Yahshua is the High Priest over, and which He is the only Foundation of. This foundation must be laid by an apostle or it is false and will crumble in due time (Eph 2:10 22 (NEV)).

One of the simplest letters of the New Testament is First John. Its summary is 1 Jn 5:13. I hope you, Mike, will see that we have not failed the *test*. And you, Mike, don't throw away the first impressions you felt about the church in Island Pond upon your first visit. DON'T KILL US! We love you and desire to share a

common life with you. But what fellowship has light with darkness? And can Messiah agree with Belial? We see, in the little paper you wrote, more than meets the natural eye. We see *darkness* and a message of Belial. I hope you will not leave me here, but by the mercies of YHWH, I appeal to your conscience that you would see the worthlessness of your life apart from the reality of the word of our God. And even now you seem to be going in a way where you may be found fighting against Him. Please bear with me, even as a fool, for saying what I say to you. I hope that you have read and even re read the letter Robert Chambers wrote to Pete and Dan. I hope that you did not find yourself with murder in your heart against the light that he expressed in that letter.

There is a difference between saying a word against the Son of Man and/or a son of man, and saying a word against the Spirit of YHWH, in Mt 11:18 19. By saying that John the Baptist had a demon, they committed the unpardonable sin unto death, where there is no forgiveness in this age or in the next age. But saying that the Son of Man, Yahshua, was a glutton and a wine bibber, etc., was not the sin unto this eternal death. Only a word needs to be spoken against the Spirit by saying He is doing what He is doing by an unclean spirit, and this is the unpardonable sin. These evil men ("of the world") from apostate Israel, the wicked and perverse generation, even though they claimed to believe in the God of Israel, were attributing the works of John the Baptist to demons when it was the Spirit of YHWH. Mt 11:25 27; 13:13 15 is speaking to the apostate church today, even those who call themselves "distinctively Christian", if they could only draw the parallel. But if they speak just one word against the Spirit who is appeal ing to them, they will be those who keep on hearing and hearing but still do not understand. This is the unpardonable sin.

But there are those of His very own who have blessed eyes to see and blessed ears to hear (verses 16-17). Mt 12:32 — It is recorded that "whoever says a word against the Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come." In the verses to follow (verses 33 37), you see what I have said already by scripture in 1 Jn 3:13. "Do not marvel if the world hates you" (1 Jn 2:15; Jms 4:4). The men in Acts 13:45-46 were not only speaking against Paul and Barnabas, but they were evidently blaspheming the Spirit. Acts 18:6; 19:9 — These scriptures apply to the religious system of that day (and of this), which was an "accepted" part of the society. Whereas Acts 28:22 shows the reputation of the true disciples of YHWH. They were considered a sect. Mike, it would be better if you were apart of a "sect" that is spoken against, than a part of a religious system which will not hear the words of life. The way is spoken against. "The Way" is taken from Gen 18:19, "the way of YHWH." Whoever keeps this way is in Abraham's seed (Lk 6:26).

To say a word against Yahshua, calling Him a "drunkard", is forgivable, but to say that John the Baptist had a demon is not forgivable. It is out of the mouth that the sin is committed. What comes out of the mouth seals your fate if it is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit and it causes others to stumble also. Words spoken can never be retracted, never be brought back. The higher your position, the more influence your words exert over the unsuspecting, and the greater the condemnation (Mt 18:5).

These Pharisees were quick to criticize (in Mt 12) everything Yahshua was doing. His actions were under scrutiny, as Abel's were under Cain's scrutiny (1 Jn 3:12). They planned to kill Yahshua in the same way, thinking they were offering a righteous sacrifice to God (Jn 16:2-3 (Christianity today)).

The Pharisees simply said, "He has an unclean spirit." This utterance from their lips was unpardonable because it was utter rebellion against YHWH and His way (Lk 12:10; Mk 3:28 30). Here they simply said, "He has an unclean spirit." Saying is different from merely thinking. For He says, "Whoeversays a word." For they said just a word against the Spirit. Even to say He is beside Himself (Mk 3:21 22) is not like saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebub." The Pharisees attributed his power to an unclean spirit (Lk 7:33). We know that John the Baptist was filled with the Holy Spirit. So here there is a word spoken against the actions of the Spirit. Demon possession is here attributed to the Holy Spirit's power and way, in explaining His unconventional behavior.

The community in Island Pond is unconventional (as Yahshua's WAY WAS), even though you try to compare it to the most accepted Christian ministries in order to give it credibility. Though you acknowledge the merit of the many there with college and university degrees, you still cannot cope with our unconventional lifestyle or *wa y*. For example, for a grown man, a beard and uncropped hair is unconventional and considered

abnormal, while for a grown man to look like an adolescent (which would be a shame for any Israelite) is considered normal and conventional (the Gentile standard). You fit in perfectly with the world. 1 Jn 3:13 — The world hates what is not fitting in with it. Unconventional behavior is despised in this leveled society. Living like the leveled norm of the nations is what is considered the greatest shame to a true Israelite (1 Chr 19:5).

Yahshua sought to draw in the outcasts that the Pharisees excluded (as Lk 5:27 32). These are the very ones who are invited to the wedding banquet. Mt 11:25 27 — These are the very ones He has chosen to reveal the Father to, not the wise and educated (1 Cor 1:26 27).

Being educated by a university is a good sign one is possessed by a worthless spirit and is trying to make something out of himself. The primrose path is full of the spirit of Belial, which ends in destruction. Mike, *shekinah* means habitation of YHWH, the light of His majesty, which reveals His presence among men. But who in the world knows anything about this? Who knows the difference when this is reality and when it is not?

Ps 30:67 — Only with sharp vision can we expect to have any discernment. Certain uniformity of feeling comes about when we merely drag along, but we know this is not Shekinah. The real thing is the clear perception, "YHWH of Hosts is here", or, "He is not here." A11 Israel knew that something was clearly wrong in Jos 7 when the least member was in sin, a deliberate sin. How happy and victorious all Israel had been, but suddenly things stopped. "What is going on?" "What is it?" The slightest blow was like being killed. The thought that the thread that bound men to YHWH was broken off made their world crumble. So it was then. It was something tremendous. We can hardly imagine it. So it is today in Vermont, U. S. A. We don't have to wonder why people do not believe that there ever was direct contact with God. They have read all about things like this in the Bible with excitement (or some maybe with boredom). How long did this contact last in the first church? As long as the lampstand was burning, it lasted (Rev 2:1 5).

We today hardly can be dismayed when the Spirit hides His face, for we hardly have the criterion for any judgment (Ps 30).

The prophets have said over and over, that "The word of YHWH is precious (rarely heard) in the land." This does not mean that there were NO BIBLES. For people did not attach so much importance to the Bible, for they were used to being guided by men of YHWH who were empowered with His Spirit and knew His way. They thought, "The Bible is of no use unless we have prophets." And if there were no prophets, they were dismayed. Then YHWH was remote.

If we had something like that and then it went away, then we would be dismayed. It is a testimony against our day that there is no dismay over such days as we are in today. We carry on with all of our religious programs, although the prophets have long ago ceased to speak, and the divine power has departed. We are not in the least bit dismayed. The *shekinah* glory, the habitation of YHWH, moves in and out and we don't even notice. Who knows if He is here or if He has left?

Maybe if we could transport our distinctively Christian 20th century Americans to the early Church to experience a little of what they felt and then return them into the churches of today, they could perhaps be stirred from their distinctive dullness. But most likely, they would just go on as usual, only having a little more to talk about in their seminars.

In many Christian circles today there is much talk as if, "God has spoken to me about such and such", and "Thus saith the Lord...." If only it were true, we would hear from heaven and *shekinah* would be a reality. We should know if it is really "God" speaking, or just thoughts that someone is making up in his own head.

Though many think that it is "God" speaking to them, it must be remembered that demons can also chatter with the piety of angels. Many times human opinion wants to represent itself as what is truly from YHWH. When that which is truly of Him has been withdrawn into the background because the human thoughts make so much noise, then things become very difficult. Everything becomes lame and poor, hungry and thirsty, the soul is neither fed nor watered. There is no clarity. If light is to come, men must be silent and YHWH must speak.

Will the light come? A little of it is here, but it is hidden and suppressed and not believed and not accepted in

this modern day social elite, distinct Christianity. But a fine thread runs on which is not of men.

So also in Israel for a long time, a brook ran silently along and finally a man called John came and then it began anew. So today again, the kingdom is at hand. Now we are in the same position. It also began with *shekinah*. The Holy Spirit of the New Covenant is none other than the voice of YHWH of the old Covenant. Yet is disappeared underground and now all is quiet, just as it was in the days of the Babylonian captivity. Shear Jashub (Rom 9:29; Isa 7:3).

We should feel dismayed because we are stuck in this world and we don't find the way out and upward into the light.

Therefore we should pray: "YHWH, Sovereign, our God: don't let us shuffle along in this way any longer! We have studied and studied, word studies and word studies, Greek expository and commentary, Thompson Chains and concordances, until we are blue in the face and we still don't accomplish anything. Now, arise, and speak again, speak down from Heaven above, speak now to the whole world! For in the end your glory must break over the whole earth" (Isa 49:5 6).

The lamp has been blown out and it will cost a great ordeal of trouble to get it lit again. There are little lights burning here and there, but where is the city on the hill? Where is it, Mike?

Would YHWH say, "You can go, I don't care about you. You can do as you like!"? But YHWH wants to govern His people (Ps 135:14). He will vindicate His people and have mercy on His servants.

In those days (Jdg 21:25), there was no king in the land and everyone (as today) did what was right in his own eyes. And when this started to happen YHWH, sent an angel to blow out the lampstand's light. The light is out, so how can we walk in the light? How can there be fellowship? How can we be cleansed? We are never again mentioned in heaven. We were but lukewarm. So the proper vindication has come.

But we don't want to be among those who are never mentioned in heaven. We want to be heard in heaven. We want YHWH to take note of us. Isa 62:67 — I have set watchmen upon your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day nor night: you that are YHWH's remembrancers, take no rest, and give him no rest, till he establishes, and till he makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

Is one lamp lit in Heaven? What does YHWH know about us? Is the Body in Burlington a united, one, Body of Messiah that one must be in order to be saved? The Body with a Head, a Head who governs perfectly all the parts of the Body? Is there a Body there? A body of whole-hearted disciples striving in unity for the kingdom? Where is the one mind and one accord and one judgment? The mind of Messiah? The trembling at His word! The lamp has been blown out and it will cost a great deal of trouble to get it lit in Burlington. Let us not remain silent for Zion's sake. There is no living church there, which represents the true Israel of YHWH, to make the most pious Jew jealous. There are no people whose lampstand burns in Heaven. If you are the salt and light of the world, where does all the dissension come from? And where is the restraint by the living church? Nothing is more dangerous than a people without rulership, without government. Where is the government of YHWH? Our hearts should cry out, "Sovereign, Father, Savior, save us, rule over us. Your kingdom come, your will be done; hallowed be your name; may the world see our unity and believe that you sent the Son."

We cannot be bound to anything except the Son of YHWH — no system or traditions.

Only he who enters in the fellowship of Yahshua in the one Spirit and one Body in a clear and simple way, and makes his loving influence felt on all sides, belongs to the true people of YHWH. Then the mighty shall be brought low and the small, the genuine, shall find its true value. Nowadays the clever dominate, and the foolish are treated as second-class citizens. In that day, the miserable will be comforted and the troubled will be eased. Those who are bound will be released. The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the lame will walk.

Therefore our prayer to YHWH of Hosts is, "Light our lampstand! Then I will no longer be afraid." The things that cause us so much trouble and grief will be gone at, once. The confusion of the soul, and the bewilderment will stop, for our lampstand is lit. Our angel, between us and YHWH, is once more on the way. The connections are working again. Things are working on earth.

"The poor man cried and YHWH heard him and saved him out of all his troubles (Ps 34:6).

It is not as easy as one might think for Him to save people from troubles. They think that He needs only to move one finger and they would be helped. But YHWH cannot always move His finger. He could if the Kingdom had come on earth and He could say, "Now the earth is My place and My House." But as yet, the earth, and even our own lives, are not under His rulership. Many are lawless. They do as they please whenever they please (Jms 4:16 17; 1 Jn 3:22; Ps 30:23; 1 Sam 22:23). There are people in whom there is no justification whatsoever. It is wrong to think just because you are "a Christian", that you have a right to think YHWH of Hosts will intervene for you. So, people protest against Him and say, "Why? Why? Why does God not help me? Why is He so cruel?" These nice people are completely under the power of the worldly spirits and serve the world. They go their own way with the rest of the broad way's one billion Christians and the "Lord" is supposed to give help quickly. Who would He be helping but their own flesh? So these are people who cannot obtain the slightest thing from YHWH. So even though these people think they are so very right, they are going so very wrong that YHWH must say, "I will let them go their own way. If I were to help them it would be to their disadvantage, for it would only help them in their evil way which they are going, whether they see it or not. Though it cost me my own honor among them, I cannot help them, even if they say that there is no God."

Then there are some who give themselves partly, and YHWH can find some good in them, so there is a bit of light, but we should be aware of how cautious YHWH has to be with those whose lives justify Him only in part — all to easily, His gifts can be spoiled again in their flesh (Mt 12:30).

Finally, there are people who give themselves completely to Him — abandoned their lives and possessions, relinquishing their hold on the world, and only want YHWH's good, be it judgment. Here much can be given and much required. They, then, are a vanguard. They ask in all their prayers with their whole heart, "Thy kingdom come." To begin with, they must set up quarters for His Kingdom among them before they can come along with requests to Him to make any changes. They must ask themselves to what extent is YHWH's kingdom upheld in these surroundings. Do they let Him have a say in their affairs for His honor and glory? Depending upon the answer, they may have to stop praying and be patient. We can't constantly pray that our misery be taken from us. We should see that it is more important to pray, "YHWH, take me into your hands that your rulership may be in me." Whoever has this attitude can have a place in His kingdom, even now. This was the attitude of the apostles and prophets who fought for His kingdom and brought about great things for Him. We also can attain something, but the Kingdom must be forefront in all our hopes and dreams and desires. If His kingdom does not arrive in us, we cannot even intercede for others or change anything. And if it does arrive in us, we can make requests and cry out to YHWH for mercy and help that there be light on earth for the nations — that His salvation would reach to the ends of the world. One man can be important for the whole earth if he only has YHWH's kingdom in mind and not himself.

So it is possible for the prayers of one man to be answered, while the prayers of another are not answered. Not that He loves one more than the other. But one has drawn His kingdom to himself and has made room for the Father and the Son in his life by denying his flesh and his earthly life (Jn 14:21 24). The one prays out of concern for YHWH's honor, the other out of pain and grief because he wants help to do his own will for his own honor.

YHWH can give more to the man who is not so smart and clever but who hungers and thirsts for the righteousness of the Kingdom, than to the one who wants to help God with his gifts and great personality. The latter does not have His kingdom in mind. His foundation will crumble soon, as the waves of suffering surge like billows of water, which threaten to destroy our own kingdom (Lk 6:48).

Mike, do you see enough of His kingdom around you to plant a banner of Yahshua the Messiah, the risen One? Are you with or without this witness? The world no longer believes. It does not even listen any more. It runs away from us.

Therefore, His kingdom must come in loving deeds. A new foundation must be laid — not really a new one, but the age-old one of Isa 58. It must be dug up out from under the rubbish and debris.

We don't have it yet. We are on the way, at most. Have we found the treasure that is worth doing all that the gospels speak of in order to obtain? We do want to possess it if YHWH gives us the strength we need — though it may cost us our lives.

In this we must become faithful. We must no longer go our own ways and think that YHWH's good can be reached with our religious institutions, rituals, and traditions, or even our college campus ministry among the

rich and intellectual. Our redemption will come only through YHWH who, in Messiah, again and again reveals Himself and shows himself on earth as the Living One. In Him we must give ourselves up. For His sake we must count everything as dung and surrender ourselves to be a true and just son. This is faith — faith that justifies and sanctifies us, placing us before the God whose justice and truth can be then revealed in us, a people who the God of Israel is not ashamed to be called "their God."

But as the heathens sacrifice to false gods, so today there are Christians who sacrifice to falsities created by the Christian religion, not by Messiah. The lives of most Christians have become just as false in YHWH's eyes as the lives of most Israelites who in ancient times practiced idolatry and later, their own brand of piety. One's own piety can become a god just as false as the gods of the heathen. The parallel today in Christianity is seen in the false piety of Yahshua's day; with the whole of Christianity being excommunicated, as was Israel of old when John the Baptist called them to repent and be baptized. Christianity is no more the Church today than natural Israel was the seed of Abraham (Jn 8:39; Mt 3:8-10).

Do not think that YHWH's purpose is going to just fall from heaven! There must be a living body on earth to bring it about, to do His will. Yahshua said that on earth things shall be loosed and bound. Or do you think that He will let His work go to the dogs just because false men are fooling around with it? No! Because He is going to have a living church in New England. Something more than mere Christianity in its most distinctive way. The human race must have something false, something artificial, something affected, that twists man and distorts his features. You cannot just be yourself if you want to be an educated person. That goes for Christians and pagans alike. They are both in and of the world if they want to be educated by the world's standards. You need something false, otherwise you are not educated. Is there any agreement between Messiah and Belial? A11 education is controlled by Belial (a worthless spirit), making one want to be somebody better. "I feel worthless without a degree; I need to be something and only by being an educated person can I achieve or attain to be somebody. But I am still a worthless person after it is all over, but a greatly deceived worthless person. To introduce anything real and genuine — the world ends up crucifying it. It is the curse — the human curse. It grips us with iron claws, and we cannot get free from it to enter into the purpose we were created for. Then we try to escape the curse and all the worthless fellows try to prevent and hinder us; like lobsters in a bucket. As one lobster is nearing the top of the bucket to escape, it is suddenly pulled back down to the bottom of the bucket by his fellow lobster. No one wants the other to escape.

Who is Jesus? In Hebrew He speaks to Saul on his way to Damascus and says, "I am Yahshua" (Acts 26:14-15). This is the same Hebrew that the angel Gabriel spoke to Mary, in when he announced to her the name of the Son she was to bear (Mt 1:21; Lk 1:31; Acts 4:12).

The world hasn't forgotten about Him but they have forgotten what He said and what He wanted. The modern "Jesus" is separated from the real world. Christianity today is the multitude that left the real Jesus in John 6:60 and started their own religion. And who are they who *remained*? These are those to whom He said, "I shall never leave you or forsake you. I will be with you until the close of the age." These are the miserable and the despised, the little people, those rejected by the world and its universities. They came to the light as those who needed a physician. They are the needy, the sick, and the confused — those for whom this society had no use. So the real Jesus steps in among those who are despised and looked down upon. He came to the people who are ignored by the intellectuals, who have created an abyss between educated and uneducated, between the rich and poor and high and low. They make distinctions to make impressions.

So who is the real Jesus today? You will find Him among those in whom there are no distinctions. In your article you make distinctions. You point out the educated, and did not mention the uneducated as on the same level of importance. They are not slighted by Him as they are among the false "Jesus" who dwells among the rich and intellectual and educated.

Today many different spiritual directions have come into fashion. People are studying right and left. They soar to intellectual heights. They compose theosophical images. They delve into every philosophy. They are even called "eminent Christian philosophers." Yet not one of these great minds and Christian philosophers has entered in where He entered. And where He enters, a renewal of society begins. A renewal where there is no

distinction between people of every sort and color. There are no class or educational distinctions, such as who has a degree and who has no such thing.

This sounds strange because you are used to setting your hopes on lofty minds, whereas the real Jesus sets his hopes on the poor and the outcasts and the rejects of this world.

Do you want to follow a Jesus this way? Or where do you draw the line and leave Him, and create your own kind of Jesus? To follow the real Jesus you must accept His crowd.

If it were just a matter of worshipping "the Lord Jesus" all by Himself in His elevation, it would be an easy thing to do. It is so thrilling. Just lift up your lily-white hands, and fall down before Him. But the real Jesus doesn't endorse this worship at a11. He refuses to be adored as something separate from MAN. He wants to be worshipped in connection with sinners.

There is something in man that resents the real Jesus to the utmost. Unless we are converted and become like children, we will perish; we shall in no wise enter the kingdom of heaven. No one who lives partly under an illusion can fight for Yahshua. This fight is one unto death. It is a fight which is opposed to our entire nature and to all our experiences.

How we have tried to help people in their misery. Hundreds of times, we were fooled and deceived. Our ears rang with the words, "You are a fool", "Stick to the educated people, the good people, the right kind of people. Stick to those who can be trusted, those you can rely upon." No! No! A thousand times NO! We want to fight for the sinner, the miserable, the despised, until our last breath. We have got to keep to the lowly. A11 too often we tend to go toward looking like the distinguished company. We should be ashamed of being so refined. Maybe we should go back a few years where all we could see was ragamuffins, and all the refined would withdraw to the corners of the universe. This is the Jesus we must proclaim, the Messiah of those who are being saved. The ragged and poor will yet come — but where are the truly poor today in the "welfare state" in which we live? The beast has taken away the need. We must be filled with the justice which Yahshua sets up in the very place the proud cannot enter; only through this can the renewal come which will truly set mankind free from sin — from barber shops and beauty parlors. This renewal cannot possibly come through the highly cultivated mind. It can come from amongst those with whom Jesus walks. To these He asks the Father to send His Spirit to make them all one without diversification or variation, as Yahshua and the Father are perfectly one (Jn 17:21 23). The world won't believe any other way. Will you, Mike?

But the "significant others" say that Jesus doesn't want that. He just wants those who know Him to be saved after they die. They say that He never wanted anything else. This is what has been believed for 1900 years. What they are saying is completely the contrary of what 'Jesus' really wanted. He wanted someone to do the Father's will.

Here dwells the real Satan — in this realm of misconception of what Jesus wants. This is the real Satan who must be overcome. We have lost our bearings as to the real task we have been called to on Earth. We have been listening to the "false Jesus" too long. We can't even get along with our own family. Parents don't even know how to live with their own children. Brothers and sisters fight and hate one another. Nothing less than Mal 4:6 can straighten us out.

The Acts of the Apostles shows that the first effect of the outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost was not the immediate departure of the apostles to preach the gospel to the whole world, but the formation of the community (Acts 2:41 47). In turn, the community there (Acts 5:1 4), and later the community at Antioch (Acts 13:1 3), sent out messengers in due time to the rest of the world. All apostolic mission is rooted in community. Healing can take place only in loving community. The community receives battered, unloved people into its midst and heals them, remaking them in the Holy Spirit by the power of community love.

Therefore, we must strive first of all to build true community. Our first love for Him is to develop here among YHWH's people. In true community, the deepest root of the world's problem is gotten to: alienation, divisions, disintegration of basic human relationships. All this disintegration springs from sin that separates men for one another through selfishness, greed, manipulation of one another for one's own profit or pleasure. Through the healing of human relationship in the building of community, poverty, hunger, oppression, etc., are struck at their very roots, and not simply at the super structure. Only community will be powerful enough to change people's

minds.

Community is built around praise and thanksgiving for the Savior who loved them and gave Himself for them. All evangelism springs from community. A gospel cannot be preached unless it is sent out from community (except in emptiness, void of the Holy Spirit). Without the community, there is no place to bring "the sheaves" into when the harvest of true evangelization is reaped. This is the place where the commands of Yahshua can be obeyed, as the new disciples began a whole new life in Messiah. The purpose for harvesting the sheaves is to eventually make a loaf of bread from them. He has a corporate purpose for those who have believed. The first apostles knew this; thus they immediately formed themselves into a caring community after Pentecost. Today's Christianity has totally missed it, and even go so far as to say that this action of the first believers was their first mistake.

Mike, you felt that we should have sued the State for the raid. But would that not be flagrant disobedience to the command of Yahshua our sovereign? "A sad and unfortunate decision in your view." What Christian brother could have suggested such a gross, lawless deed to the Body of Messiah? "Christian", but not a disciple of Messiah, not one who has His commands and keeps them (Jn 14:21). But, Mike, what are you then? Are you a Christian or a disciple? You also could not possibly be one whom Yahshua is speaking of here. What about the command to turn the cheek (Mt 5:38 42)? During the day in which He spoke these words was not the State the oppressors, the Roman soldiers who this would apply to? How is it that you feel that this can be obeyed today? How should we obey Mt 5:43 48? Are not these His commandments, and do you not have them? Then who does have them and who obeys them?

Mike, out of your own mouth comes bitter and sweet: advising a lawsuit instead of obeying Messiah. We love Him. Mike, how do you prove your love for Him if you cannot obey His commands (1 Cor 16:22)? Should we then disobey His other commands (Acts 3:22)? The law of retaliation (Ex 21:24 25; Lev 24:20) has been fulfilled in Messiah's suffering and in the law of love. For those who are in the New Covenant under the law of Messiah, YHWH Himself is obligated to protect and defend. They are His people, who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice of their lives (2 Cor 5:15). If we will love according to the law of love, He will protect and defend us in His own way for His own purpose. The New Covenant is very new; a new thing, entirely something not even imaginable if someone were to tell you about it. It can hardly be expressed in words. It is so wonderful. Nothing less than a demonstration can communicate how binding it is, and how utterly inconceivable to the human mind it is. Do you know anything about it? The New Covenant is for Israel, not for Christianity. They are outside of the temple, and only Israel is made for the New Covenant. In order to be included in the New Covenant one must come out of her (Christianity) and the nations by virtue of the baptism we spoke of earlier. Christianity has been given over to the nations. They will persecute the New Covenanted ones for 42 months (Rev 11:2; 18:4). The unfaithful court, which is outside of the Temple. The reason her sins are piled up is because there is no High Priest in their house, for He is over the House of YHWH only (the temple) (Heb 10:21). This court outside of the temple is the witness of unfaithfulness to YHWH, even as a Harlot — an unfaithful, disloyal wife (1 Cor 3:16 17). This is a past event for the whole of that temple. The Corinthians are a shining model of morality and faithfulness compared to the denominational and undenominational and inter denominational so called "church" today. They are far worse off than the Roman and Eastern Orthodox churches today, who are still only in TWO parts, whereas Evangelicalism is in so many divisions and splits that is like dust. Its destruction is complete. It has met its final ruin. No one is fit for the Kingdom who dwells in the midst of its dust. There is maybe still in this day and time a chance that based upon one's own belief, in their ignorance, to be justified, even as maybe Nicodemus may have been. But there is no chance one could be born of the Spirit. They are being made fit to be a part of the nations only, but not the Holy City (Rev 21:26 27). In order to be a part of the Holy City, one must come in through one of its gates in this age (Rev 21). They must become a part of the refining process of the jewel of the tribe you are included in. This is simple, child like faith for one who is born of the Spirit, enabling him to see and enter the Kingdom (Jn 3:3,5). Mike, you are still bound fast in the prison cells of this world order. Redemption from this world and its prince is to be redeemed from the law of which you advocate (Ex 21:24), in contrast to Mt 5:38). There is no way to rise to citizenship in the kingdom of Heaven when the king returns to the earth for 1000 years, except we melt by

the power of His love the shackles of criticism, of contempt, of envy, of jealousy and hate. These are the things that hold us tied to this world order and only in this way can we be redeemed from the law of retaliation. And only in the New Covenant does one have a heart to do these things, and knows why they want to do them. Only here is there a chance to apply this community love of Messiah, the law of Messiah, to every thought and every act until we eventually rise to the degree of self control where we actually will obey the command of Yahshua in Mt 7:12.

Do you think one will be fit for the Kingdom if he does not rise to this kind of love? Many set their hand to the plow but for some reason or another they look back (Lk 9:62). If we won't look back we will become like the little children with which the Kingdom is composed. When the complete manifestation of the law is lived out in *t hought* and deed in a people who have His commands, they will also have fulfilled the precept given by Yahshua in the Sermon on the Mount. Mt 5:48 — when this perfection is developed in us through the application of the law of love in Messiah, we then are made fit for His kingdom. His kingdom is sought first along with His righteousness — His kingdom and His righteousness (Mt 6:33). The government of YHWH and His law of love which can only bring in true authority is His righteousness. Love does not nullify government and government doesn't nullify love. Then, when we have fully met these requirements, the kingdom of YHWH will come on earth. For all of His enemies will have been put under His feet (Heb 10:13). Satan is bound for 1000 years (Rev 20:2). The Kingdom will come on earth today as a foretaste of what is in Heaven, in proportion to how we pray and live, as we individually, the members of His household, apply this fundamental law more and more perfectly. Unless you are born again, you cannot see the kingdom of YHWH. Unless one is converted, and becomes like a little child, you can in no wise enter the kingdom of Heaven.

The seeming purpose of humanity is self exaltation. Psychologists class ego maximization as an instinct and tell us that man is happiest or most "blessed", most likely to be the healthiest, when this instinct achieves satisfaction. But this state of consciousness is diametrically opposite to that which our Sovereign Yahshua showed to be essential for receiving the Kingdom or entering into it. As long as our attention is centered on the self and its satisfaction through exaltation, we can do nothing but cause that which we already are to increase and multiply. No one using the law of the Kingdom (royal law of Jms 2:8), on the other hand, tries to make himself more prominent and more dominant among his fellowmen. He is interested in the welfare of his brothers. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. To become poor in the spirit of self exaltation makes it possible to become born again by the Holy Spirit. And that birth is the receiving of the new life and power of the Kingdom, which is planted in the spirit or consciousness of man by Yahshua, the Messiah Himself. It can get there in no other way, by no other means.

Unless His Spirit seals you until the day of redemption, you frankly are not sealed, and have no promise of any inheritance or redemption (Eph 1:13 14; 4:30). You have not met the first requirement of the gospel: to humble yourself. This is the way into the kingdom of heaven. It is not done except by receiving the one who is sent — therefore, receiving his reward (Mt 10:40). What messenger of the kingdom have you received in order to receive his reward, Mike? Jn 13:20 — You cannot receive the message unless you fully receive the messenger. Many have tried, but finally left — a slave does not remain in the household (Jn 8:35; Pr 29:19).

Messiah Himself gave us His own life, which ignites our own consciousness. Just merely a "spark" of His own Spirit is like leaven that works unseen, carrying on its appointed work until all is transformed (2 Ths 2:13 14; 1 Ths 5:23; Phil 1:6). So it is for everyone who would enter the kingdom to open his heart, to roll away the stone for the door of the tomb where he lies imprisoned. His Spirit of whom we have tasted, and the power of the kingdom to come, increases and spreads from His entry into us, and transforms (just as leaven transforms the flour) all that it contacts. The whole body is leavened, even the Body of Messiah. Many things try to hinder this growth. Many things try to put out the fire.

We must labor together by His Spirit to build up the kingdom of YHWH in New England, and not fight against one another. The world has seen enough. They want to believe that YHWH has sent His Son and not just another dividing spirit, Belial. If you are not against us, you are for us. But if you are not for Messiah and His purpose, you are against Him and you are scattering abroad. Many of us think still that we are just going to be saved after we die. But although this is true, this attitude doesn't do anything about our being transformed into His image, "from glory to glory." We are transformed into His likeness. By our worship of Him, we become like the One whom we worship. If we worship the world and the things in it, we become like it. If we concentrate upon ourselves and our inadequacies we become more and more inadequate and selfish. It is by His word we are saved for His kingdom and made fit for it — whoever has His commands and obeys them.

Love is the fulfillment of the law. Or, stated in another way. Love is the application of the law on the highest plane of expression. Therefore, one is not under the law if he has nothing that condemns him in his conscience. Therefore, he has no fear of it. In grace, he lives that which is the way, the truth, and the life.

Only by the baptism that brings one into the New Covenant can one begin on the way to the kingdom of Heaven. The judgment-seat of Messiah is only for those who have entered in upon the way. Only the Body of Messiah is judged for its deeds done in the body (2 Cor 5:10), to determine whether one is worthy for the Kingdom (2 Ths 1:4 5). This judgment of the Body is not to determine if one is worthy of "eternal life", for this no one is worthy of except by the blood of Messiah. No one will be cast into the lake of fire whose name is recorded in the Book of Life. But of those whose names are recorded, they may not be able to enter into the 1000 year Messianic kingdom unless they are found worthy. We are found worthy by the deeds we have done, whether they were righteous or unrighteous, as Cain's and Abel's deeds.

Righteous deeds are done by His initiative in the Body. Unrighteous deeds are done in one's own initiative in or outside of the body, as Mt 7:22 explains. The broad way is for those who are in or out of the Body. Those who are justified and still outside of the Body of Messiah cannot possibly do good deeds which build up the body, no matter how hard they try. The first good deed for them to do would be to receive a prophet or a disciple because they are one and recognize it. Therefore, receive their reward. 1 Jn 4:6 — Then after this they embark on the way to the kingdom of Heaven. This way is filled with many obstacles.

To love anything with heart, mind, soul, is to determine the activity of the subconscious mind as well as the conscious mind. The final result is that we become like that which we love and worship. By loving YHWH, we gradually come to or reach repentance in every area in our lives. We become like Him in the attributes of beauty, kindness, and wisdom that we see in Him. The great law is fulfilled in us that we reap what we sow. To send our love to YHWH with all our hearts is to receive in return His love into the inmost center of our being (1 Jn 3:3; Mt 5:8). We cannot just start loving Him. For this is for Him to draw us and to draw our response to His revelation to us. For it is by grace alone that we are saved eternally by Him and our names recorded in the Book of Life. But it is only those who have entered into the Body of Messiah that can qualify for the Kingdom. Rev 21:26 27 — The nations is all we can attain to outside of the Body of Messiah. Justified or unjustified — it is the broad road, and therefore you MUST live like the gentiles. Anyone who goes to a college (Bible or secular) or university for the purpose of "being an educated person", in order to secure a job, be it a pastor or a banker, is on the broad road.

No one can fulfill the law of love outside the Body of Messiah. No one therefore, can be made fit for the Kingdom outside the Body. One must determine then if he is inside or outside Messiah's Body on earth, and then determine if he is loving to his utmost YHWH and his brothers and sisters (1 Jn 3:14, 16; 1 Cor 11:31 32).