

Abraham's Faith – Letter from Yachath

Hello New Brothers (those recently baptized),

The other day, Elbert encouraged me to write to you and share a little bit about what we are learning over here.

One thing I am learning is that we are always learning and I am thankful for that because there is no greater knowledge than the knowledge we obtain in Messiah.

I am also thankful for our children, for they are the last generation and we need to pour everything that we have into them; we need to give up our lives for them. Our children were a real example for me before I was baptized and are still an example of how to be obedient and how to love one another from a pure heart; they are going to lead us into the Kingdom. Yahshua said, "To enter the Kingdom you must become like a child." I am learning to become like a child.

Yahshua is our example. He was totally obedient to His Father even to death and because of His obedience we know He loved His Father. As He loved so we should love also, not from selfish motives, but from a pure heart for the building up of the Body.

Yahshua has now become the temple and we are living in the temple, and just as is written in the Law and the prophets, people brought gifts and freewill offerings to the temple to please Yahweh, so we too have to give our gifts, the gifts we received at baptism by the Holy Spirit, and give them to the Body, which is the temple. This is the only way we can please our Father. Yahshua said, "No one comes to the Father but through Me." We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Yahweh's own possession.

I am so thankful that you and I are part of it. Even though I don't know your names or faces, I know what you want to do; I know the Spirit that you received at your baptism. We also learned that when we believed Yahshua could save us and we needed to be saved, that when we got baptized we were justified by faith. And now just as Abraham's faith was justified when offering up Isaac, so also is our faith, and we are being sanctified (Jms 2:17) by the Holy Spirit working in us. It is nothing mystical, but we get sanctified by the grace and Spirit of Yahweh in and through our brothers and sisters, by the grace they have to offer us and that grace comes from the Holy Spirit. We also have to give grace to our brothers and sisters, not only receive it. We need to be salt to one another.

If we have salt in ourselves we will be at peace with one another, and we are at peace with one another. Pray that the salt never runs out; it is the preserving power of the Body.

Another thing that we talked about was the restoration of the twelve tribes and how there needs to be a complete restoration before the end of the age, and we are part of the twelve tribes. We are the sons of the promise, the seed of Abraham, our father. We were led all the way into the waters of baptism by being obedient from our heart. We were predestined to be saved, because Yahweh was faithful to keep the covenant He made with Abram (Gen 15).

We are also learning that when we have something to say, that we should just say it; when we feel like praying, to pray. There should be no set ritual or tradition. We shouldn't wait on the elders all the time. The Holy Spirit comes to all of us, so we should do what is on our heart.

And another thing I am learning is that whatever I do I need to do it with faith and with vision that the works we are doing are building up the Body. We need to realize that everything we do has consequential effects on the coming end of the age.

We are truly blessed people. Sometimes we don't see it, but if we look at the life growing around us and look at the coming of Yahshua with hope and faith, we cannot help but rejoice in our salvation.

The Bible was left for our instruction. The first church fell away into the great apostasy (falling away from the faith in Messiah) into the Catholic, Protestant and Greek Orthodox, the three main divisions, but they are not the true church or Kingdom because the true Kingdom of Yahweh cannot be divided, so everything we are not supposed to do is written down so we won't do it (1 Cor 10:6-11). So all we have to do is listen to the Holy Spirit speaks to us and we will make it.

Well, last week another man's name was written in the book of life. A man from Morocco became Isaac, the son of the promise. It was a powerful baptism. He was really strong about his old religion (Islam) and he cried a lot before he was baptized, and when he was baptized most of us had tears in our eyes. He is a wonderful brother. The doors of Africa are being opened; one day our life will be all over the face of the earth and all over the universe, but right now we are in Sus with our own house.

We are really thankful for the money you gave up for us. Tomorrow (Monday) we are moving Elbert and Marsha into the roundhouse. It is a little house separate from the yellow chateau. It has a barn connected to it where we have our cow Wilma. The owner (Mr. Flingsy) said we could stay in it till the end of the year. It would really be something if our Father gave us the yellow chateau. Everywhere you go around the area you can see it on top of the hill. It would really be a light on a hill if our Father would give it to us.

Well, it is Lord's Day night about 10 o'clock. I'm sitting here with Karen; she is just finishing a letter also. It was a really good day. Martin and Kirsten, Elazar and Tabitha and I prepared the meals for today. It was the first time for me and I really enjoyed it, communion is a wonderful thing.

Well, tomorrow is the first of October; winter is on the way. This winter will be the first that I can remember. In Australia I worked outside bricklaying and I wore shorts all winter. This winter is going to be a funny winter I think.

Well, that's about it I guess, except just greet everyone over there for me, whoever they are, and tell them that we all love them very much.

Love from Tabitha's Place, Yachath

P.S. Elbert corrected my mistakes about Abraham, I hope you understand them.