## Homosexuals — Letter from Bahirah

Dear Tamiym, my dear friend,

I started this letter over a month ago, but I am just finishing it now. I'm typing it so that Yoneq will be able to go over it before I send it to you. Yoneq gave me your letter to him and also the teaching about homosexuals (which he taught in the summer of 1990). He asked me to write back to you for him. He wanted me to communicate with you about the teaching so that you would have a clearer picture. He wants you to understand about homosexuals and lesbians.

For one thing, Yoneq said he doesn't support gay bashing! It does matter about the person Kenny Daniels killed even though he was a homosexual. Murder is murder. You can't take away from that.

Yoneq said that Paul told the Corinthians in 1 Cor 6:11 "and such were some of you, but you were washed." Some of them *were* homosexuals before verse 9, but they were saved. Yoneq said he doesn't hate homosexuals and neither does God. But he really wants you to understand how our Father sees them.

Romans 1 tells how because people didn't acknowledge God, even though He was clearly evident to them in creation, He turned them over to "degrading passions." It says that they pay for it in their own personalities, in verse 27. It is like if they practice it enough, they become so identified with their sin that they become detestable; as detestable as their sin. It's the transvestite type who is detestable to our Father, someone who puts on the clothes of the opposite sex or acts like them—they become detestable to Him.

It is like when Yahshua *became* sin for us, HE became detestable to our Father. *He* was detestable, not just the sin, but He Himself. That's why our Father had to turn away from Him. In the same way, when people practice homosexuality to such an extent that they become identified with their sin in their personalities, they become detestable to Him also. Rev 21:8 — "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will* be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

They are detestable to Him because God created man male and female (Gen 1:27). He made a woman for Adam, not another man, and He blessed them. (Gen 5:1 2 — "This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day when God created man, He made him in the likeness of God. He created them male and female, and He blessed them and named them Man in the day when they were created.") Satan tries to pervert God's intentions and plans. All havoc is breaking loose today in the perversion of the sexuality of men and women. And in the world today there is even pressure on people not to say anything about homosexuality. There's a slant in the media to level everyone out. You know I am *quite* leveled about this, having had friends who are gay and especially from working in the theatre industry. But in the teaching it mentioned that "gay liberation" is a front, like a nice façade on an ugly building. It's a mask to hide the ugly face of its reality, hiding its true nature.

In Dt 22:5 it says that *who*ever wears clothing of the opposite sex is an abomination. ("A woman shall not wear man's clothing, nor shall a man put on a woman's clothing; for whoever does these things is an abomination to the Lord your God.") In the world and in Christianity this is not clear. This teaching was to establish what the Word says about it. Homosexuals and transvestites *are* detested in God's sight. This perversion—mixing roles—will wreak increasing havoc on the earth. It is just barely beginning now, the full force started coming on in the 60s.

It used to be that a homosexual was a queer, now they are accepted. The government protects them because they marched on Washington. But God did not create male and female to wind up unisex. He made male and female. Anything more or less, is a lie and a deception of the evil one. This is the foundation that we have to have, a foundation based on the Word. But the evil one has blinded the eyes of people and they are going to the second death. He blinded *our* eyes, but we were saved from the second death. If he continues to blind our eyes to the truth about this, we won't have a clear message on which people can be saved. And, we will see the first death ourselves and we will have homosexuals (who haven't truly repented of this abomination) in the Body. They will have come in over the wall.

Satan is a destroyer. It says in the teaching that if he can corrupt a person's very sexuality, he can destroy their self-esteem and confidence. They suffer the consequence in their own personality, their spirit, soul, body, social makeup, and social life. It is degrading. This is what is happening today because there are no absolute standards, because the evil one is mixing up the roles.

Rom 1:27 — "and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error." Something happens to people — a transfiguration in their own face, soul, their personality. Men take on soft speaking and effeminate ways. It affects the way they talk, walk and wear their clothes. They are paying the deserved penalty in their own personality. They have become detestable in the sight of God.

Yoneq said he wouldn't be hard on homosexuals if God weren't hard on them, but the Word is clear. In Lev 20:13, they become detestable ("If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their bloodguiltiness is upon them.) Rev 21:8 — both of them, not just their sin. Yoneq said in the teaching that Satan gets his foot in the door right there — by thinking that only their sin is an abomination. They become defiled (Lev 18:24 — "Do not defile yourselves by any of these things; for by all these the nations which I am casting out before you have become defiled"). They make themselves detestable by practicing this detestable act. People become what they think, "As a man thinks, so he is" (Pr 23:7). A man becomes what he thinks, therefore he becomes his sin, therefore he becomes what is detestable.

Lev 18:22,29 — "You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination. For whoever does any of these abominations, those persons who do so shall be cut off from among their people." And Lev 20:13 -"If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their bloodguiltiness is upon them." Those who do such things must be put to death. I guess that means the second death as well, because their bloodguiltiness is upon them. There is no sacrifice to take it off of them. They did what was detestable, both of them, and they became detestable. They are wicked, not just their sin. They are worthless (Pr 6:12 — "A worthless person, a wicked man, is the one who walks with a false mouth"). Lev 18:22 23 — "You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination. Also you shall not have intercourse with any animal to be defiled with it, nor shall any woman stand before an animal to mate with it; it is a perversion." Homosexuality is just as detestable as having sex with an animal. There is no difference in His sight. Rom 1:27 — "and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error" — degrading passions (Rom 1:26) — they degrade man to something less than he is. It is absolutely forbidden to God's highest creation. So is sodomy, either homosexual or heterosexual.

Pr 3:32 — "For the perverse are an abomination to the Lord, but the upright are in his confidence." When Pr 6:16 and 19 are read together you can see that the seventh abomination is a man who sows discord. ("There are six things which the Lord hates. Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: A false witness who utters lies, and one who spreads strife among brothers.") A man can become an abomination to God. The couple in Lev 20:13 have done what is detestable. They have themselves become *detestable* by one act. Then, by their constant practice they become *abominable*.

Homosexuality is such an enormous sin that Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed because of it (Jude 7). Rom 9:29 — "And just as Isaiah foretold, except the Lord of Sabaoth had left to us a posterity, we would have become as Sodom, and would have resembled Gomorrah." This makes it clear that if it weren't for the seed, who have a clear standard about this, that everyone would become like them eventually. It is a reason for extreme disgust, hatred and loathing to our God. In the teaching it says that *loathing* is the response of normal human beings to the homosexual — to the person he has become from doing these detestable acts. Normal people need to respond the same way that our God does to this sin. That response in people will bring about their worthiness for the nations. It will make them worthy of the nations because it will bring

them, clearly male and female, into the nations. If it is not detestable to them, they will go to the second death (Rom 1:32 — "And although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them")! Homosexuality is a capital offense; it deserves the death penalty (Lev 20:13). That person would not go to the nations, he would go to the second death. So will the people who go along with them. Lev 18:29 — "For whoever does any of these abominations, those persons who do so shall be cut off from among their people." Rom 1:32 — "and, although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them." When the 144,000 are sent out they will be preaching this. At that point it will be too late for people to receive the gospel of Yahshua, and so if someone is *defiled* (to make unclean or unfit) with any of these sins, they will not be able to enter the nations.

1 Tim 1:8 10 — "But we know the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the un godly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers and immoral men and homosexuals and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching." The law is made for those who are heedless of the law — for perverts and homo sexuals, etc. In the Greek, verse 10 says, "sodomites." This is how AIDS is passed on. In New Israel everyone who practices such things has to be cut off and turned over to Satan for the destruction of their flesh so that they will be saved in the 8th day. 1 Cor 5:5 — "I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of his flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Messiah, Yahshua." This makes it clear that his spirit can be saved even though he did what was an abomination in the Old Testament (Lev 20:11; or even someone who does Lev 20:18). 1 Cor 6:9 10 — "Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God." Eph 5:6 — "Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience."

Homosexuality is breaking of the law in a person's heart, so they have no excuse; they will deserve the lake of fire. Rev 21:8 — "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." In 1 Cor 6:11, it says some were washed of this ("And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Messiah, Yahshua, and in the spirit of our God"), but 2 Pet 2:20 22 says that some returned to their vomit. The past is forgiven, but he is never to fall back into that which he repented of, because he knows how to be protected by the Father's name which He gave the Son — Yahshua (Jn 17:11: Eph 5:1 9: 2:1 5), 2 Pet 2:6 — God condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah and burnt them up. They are a memorial forever of what He will do to homosexuals, showing the godless what is in store for them (Jude 7). 1 Pet 4:3 5 — To our Father, homosexuality is sin, whether you acknowledge it as sin or not. They are guilty because they knew the right thing to do. They knew when they started that it was wrong. Rom 2:15 — "in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness, and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them." The terms 'consenting adults,' 'sexual preference,' 'emotional make up'—they are all cover-ups. 1 Kng 14:24 — "And there were also male cult prostitutes in the land. They did according to all the abominations of the nations which the Lord dispossessed before the sons of Israel." 1 Kng 15:12 — "He also put away the male cult prostitutes from the land, and removed all the idols which his fathers had made." Dt 23:17 — "None of the daughters of Israel shall be a cult prostitute, nor shall any of the sons of Israel be a cult prostitute." Rom 1:26 27 — "For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty

of their error." The picture of homosexuality and lesbianism and God's reaction to it is clear: He gave them over to "shameful lusts, a depraved mind." It was a merciful God who gave them up. (I was talking to Ben Nabiy the other day and he mentioned how merciful it was that our Father called Abram out of Ur, because if he hadn't, Abram would have become part of Babylon; and how merciful it was that He called Lot out of Sodom and Noah out and how he called us out, and that it was *mercy* that He let them all be destroyed, because that is the only way that we (Abram, Lot, Noah, us) would not also become like Sodom and Gomorrah. It was in His mercy on us that His wrath came on them (Rom 9:29).)

1 Cor 6:10 — "Don't fool yourself." Gal 6:7 — "God is not mocked." Eph 5:67 — "Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them." His wrath comes on the disobedient (no matter what a person is deceived into thinking). It says to not be partners with them or agree with them because they are explicitly excluded from the nations (1 Cor 6:9 10). Mt 25:34 — "Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Sodom serves as an example to this day. The word sodomy goes right back to Sodom (Jude 6-7). This is the message that homosexuals need to hear. Yoneg said that this opens everything up for them to be delivered by the Word, for the truth to set them free. Because they know (Rom 1:32). It says in the teaching that all the nations should know this standard, that such behavior is worthy of eternal judgment. Mt 25:41 ("Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels") — They are actually put in the same fire as Satan, showing that they are just as detestable as him. It is because of the filthy lives of these lawless men, who didn't live by the law. 2 Pet 3:3,7 — "Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts, but the present heavens and earth by His word are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men" (Rev 21:8).

It was a detestable person who spoke in Gen 19:5 — "And they called to Lot and said to him, 'Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have relations with them". They were not born this way. They had a choice. Lot didn't become homosexual; their deeds made Lot angry . The world today is worse than Sodom and Gomorrah. Gen 19:24; 19:13 is what our Father thinks of  $homosexuality, lesbianism, sodomy -- the \ gay \ liberation \ front. \ Because \ homosexuality \ is \ corrupt$ desire. 2 Pet 2:10; 2:6; Rom 9:29 — In the world today, soft spoken, articulate proponents of the gay liberation front are leading even the most suspecting astray. Everyone not under the covering of our Master will be deceived. Even the elect would be deceived if it were possible. If it weren't for a seed (the seed that we've come into), everyone would become like Sodom and Gomorrah. 2 Tim 3:47 — Young people in public schools are being taught that homosexuality is not wrong or sin and that homosexuals are nice and don't bother people. Yet one of the most vile aspects of homosexuality is the insatiable appetite for new (young) flesh. They put on a plastic, gentle front, but really are insatiable. Some demon turned us onto drugs. It is a demon that turns you on to homosexuality. It's not natural. It's demonic. Everyone in the world today is buying into this lie that is being put out by the great propagandist, the king of the world, and they are even making intimidating laws today about homosexuals, talking about it as a human rights issue, and that you are violating someone's "human" rights if you are against homosexuality, so that they wouldn't be looked down upon. It is blinding people's eves.

Paul said, "Such were some of you." It is possible for a homosexual to be saved. But it is doubtful that someone with AIDS could be saved. It doesn't seem like someone who was chosen before the foundation of the world, the seed of Abraham, would contract AIDS. (Yoneq also said that someone who has AIDS and knowingly passes it on is a murderer as well.) 1 Cor 6:11 — Some of us were homosexuals but we have been cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. We know we can be forgiven. If we don't love much, it's because we don't understand how much we've been forgiven.

The teaching also speaks about a perverted love that is in the world today. It's self centered, looking out for its

own interests. It's satanic. It subjugates other people to its own ends. It's a grossly wicked sin and it brings another person into their power without regard for that person, who was made in the image of God. This is against the law of the nations. It is a capital offense. This perverted love is not normal sexual instinct. It offends God and is punishable by death (in the 8th day). Perverted love has no respect for the dignity of persons created in the likeness of our Creator. It makes people means to an end to the point of enslaving them and holding them captive. (But actually, love in the nations is basically respect for other people. Love and respect go together.) Love is never the combined selfishness of two people. Two people living together without getting married is an example of this. They are too selfish and afraid to give their lives to one another. Also, love is not the desire to lord it over others either. Love is not possessive. That is something that homosexual 'love' is; it subjugates. Homosexuality passes a demon on to another person, an evil spirit that must be cast out. It said that when you go to bed with someone in the world, you are going to bed with everyone they ever went to bed with and so on and on. Only an evil spirit stimulates any kind of immorality or sexual perversion. Homosexuality is a spirit looking for a home, seven times worse than anything you can imagine because it is taking away the identity of male and female. It is the epitome of all disorder. It militates against the purpose of creation, and against God.

Our Father turned His back on Yahshua, not just the sin. Yahshua became sin for the homosexual. He bore the brunt of that sin and detestable nature. Mankind has become sexually perverse with every kind of evil spirit. Our Father says that the homosexual is detestable. This will break someone's heart who is being drawn to Messiah. It is not only that a homosexual was born with a sin nature, but he has lowered himself even further. Yoneq said that if we will stand true to the Word, it will convict those who are being drawn and drive away the insincere. If we compromise, we will have a lot of homosexuals in here. Satan would worm his way in in this way and destroy the Edah.

Homosexuals are detestable like Yahshua was because Yahshua took on their sins. A person can throw off their detestable sins onto Him. He died to take on their curse.

Someone at the teaching shared that our pre conditioning would keep us from bringing a clear word to people and might cause us to compromise on this, because we've had injections of the world's poison all along. That's why we need to hear all these things.

That's pretty much all the teaching that Yoneq gave in Island Pond. For myself, it really washed me to hear all this. It made me think about some of my old friends, from the talent agency and also about Bree, do you remember her? I've wondered many times how I was going to reach out to her, because often I've thought that she was a sheep. Now I know the only way is through this word. I know there has to be clarity in me about it. I guess I always thought it was no big deal. I really want my mind to be renewed to have the mind of our Master. I'm thankful He is saving us bit by bit, word by word.

From talking to Yoneq about this and talking about your letter and that man Russel, what I understood was that anyone who would lure someone into their sin like that and pass on that evil spirit to them is not worthy to live in the nations in the 8th day. But those young men (like you) who are experimenting, etc., they can be saved, like "Such were some of you." But I guess that the further a person goes into it, the more they pay for it in their own personality, the more they become the sin and you can't separate them from it—the less and less chance there is of them being able to be saved. That's why I wonder about Bree. Ten years ago she was nice, sweet Bree, she just felt "more comfortable" with a woman. But now, 30 years old, 10 years later, she might be so affected in her personality, you know, maybe she's been in it so much that she's not really like a woman anymore. I don't know. But the good news, the gospel, is her only hope. I really want to be cleansed by the word so that there *would* be hope for people like Bree. Yoneq said it *will* break people's hearts (those who are sheep).

I hope that I was able to communicate the teaching in the spirit that Yoneq taught it and in a way that brings clarity to you.

I'm thankful we are being cleansed. With *much* love, in our Master, Yahshua's name, *Bahirah*