

The Dawning of a New Social Order

Dear Derush,

Shalom, as fellow peacemakers in Yahshua. In His name I write to you. We here in Naphtali are very thankful for your poured-out life. I wanted to share with you some of the amazing things that we've been hearing and about the new social order that will one day fill the whole earth.

It's amazing how one simple phrase can open our eyes and change our perspective. When I first heard that we need to seek first His *new social order* it was like a lot of cobwebs had been whisked away. The term "Kingdom of God" had remained hazy for me because of religious preconceptions. But what else is a kingdom? A kingdom has a king, is a government, a social order and the human relationships and workings that take place within that order. It's nothing mystical or self-righteous. If we seek first His new social order, then we will have all we need.

We live together in a new society, relating to one another in a new way. This will be a completely different way of relating to other human beings: without bad motives in our hearts, not taking advantage of one another, or exploiting the poor or weak, striving to be better or trying to get revenge — all the ways that people relate to one another today. When the evil one is bound, these ways will be completely done away with. The enemies of our Master will be under His feet. This new order is being established now, in us.

(Lk 13:18; Mt 13:31-33)

Yahshua didn't say that the Kingdom *was* a mustard seed; but that it was *like* a mustard seed. When He spoke about the birds perching in its branches, He was referring to Eze 17:22-23. Remember that our Master was very familiar with the Scriptures. In Eze 17 it speaks about birds of all types resting in the branches. Everyone knows that birds of a feather flock together. But these are *all types* of birds. In the new social order all types of people will be living together in unity — regardless of their nationality, temperament, background, education, status or race.

Again, in Lk 13:21 our Master speaks of a woman who puts yeast in the meal and it leavened the whole thing. What was He referring to here? Look at Dan 2:35.

In this age, the yeast is being worked in, in the next age the dough will be put to rest and it will rise and grow. It will grow until it fills the whole earth, just like the mountain in Dan 2:35. That stone that will crush the mountain is formed without human hands. It will become a great mountain that will fill the whole earth. The statue represents the old social order — all the kingdoms of the earth.

Societies are created things; created by the mind of man, like a statue — something man can make, coming forth from earthly wisdom. We know how our Father creates; by His breath all things came into being. This new social order will not be created by man. It will be a people seeking His social order first. We are a people learning to be led by His Spirit. Like a breeze, you don't know where it comes from or where it goes, but you see what it does — it shakes the trees (Eze 17:24).

Man organizes a government, a kingdom, a work. Certainly, we will use our knowledge, but we need to be sensitive to the spirit. The stone is cut out without human hands. His Spirit speaks to ours. We start to change, through what His Spirit is putting in us. He called and chose us, somehow He knew we would respond. He gives us the heavenly gift of faith. All glory and honor goes to Him. He created us with a free will, with it we desire and choose to seek first *His will, His kingdom, His new social order*. We dedicate our lives to Him because we want to. He gave us the gift of faith. Now we do His will.

Sometimes, people say to me, "Oh, now you have to wear a beard and tie your hair back." They respond from the old social order. "Manoah, why do you have a beard?" they ask. It's because I want to please my Creator. I know if I shave my beard, I'm struggling against Him. I want to please my Maker, I'm not worried about conforming to the old social order, pleasing the spirits of the world. In this kingdom, we don't do things out of obligation, but because we want to. We need to let that order, that government, reign in our hearts. We need to return to that order.

If we walk on a path next to an abyss, we need to stay on the path. It isn't a heavy burden, but it's life. If we don't stay on the path, it's sure death. We were created to search out our Father, using the will He gave us.

People today want to leave that order and be rebellious, but this will surely lead them to death. We aren't *undert* he Law, we're *in* it and it's in us. That path is life and we're thankful to walk in it. The Law in us shows us the heart of our Creator, it shows us how to walk in the Spirit. The Spirit shows us the way to fulfill the Law; to love; the Law of Messiah.

But that stone will crush the nations — the statue that is left standing on that brittle old social order in Dan 2:42. It will grow and become a mountain that fills the whole earth. A mountain is a high place (Eze 17:22-23). It's a place of worship. That tree that will grow from a tiny seed will be a great tree in the next age — all the nations will live under it in harmony. All man will relate to one another equally. In this age it is represented by the Sabbath. In the next age there will be no more rich and poor, no more racial prejudice, cultural division — nor more barriers of any kind.

The barriers between Jew and Gentile have been removed (Col 3:11; Gal 3:28), but just because our Master died on the cross are the barriers removed? Yes and no... If we *live* by the cross they will be. Rebellion remains the only cause of division.

The Frenchman and the German have hostility between them. And everyone is hostile to the Spaniard. The Spaniard puts everything off until tomorrow and tomorrow never comes. Then the righteous German does everything perfect so that everyone feels bad. You will always have trouble in the world.

But in Messiah, we bear with one another, we're making a new society. Integration in the world is fatal, but in Messiah it's essential. People of different nations will be able to live together. Language differences cause a cultural shock and inability to communicate. But if we live by the cross, keeping our minds on the Spirit, we can live together in peace. Barriers spring up in the world because of these things. Even within the same family there are barriers. One brother associates with one group of friends, the sister with another, the other brother with another and they can't even sit down at the supper table together and eat a meal. Then they try to integrate blacks and whites in the schools. They sing in the assembly, "We are one in the Flesh", but as soon as the assembly is over, they go right back to their own kind. There really are differences between different nationalities, races and even state and regional cultures. They will mesh together in Messiah and there will be peace.

We've been cut out of the mountain of Satan. He is the prince of this world, the king of this old social order.

We used to love his works and participate in them. But we are cut out of that mountain now, to become a part of the stone kingdom. He uses a sword to cut us out — a sword that divides us from family, from our old life, cutting us out of that old social order (Mt 10:34-37; Lk 12:49-53). Whatever holds us in place in that old mountain has to be cut off. He chisels us out, without human hands. Everyone in the old social order worships the evil one, whether they know it or not. But our Master is teaching us now to abandon all the things that cause jealousy, idolatry, division, envy or strife.

In the darkness of this old age a light is dawning. People will sense this dawning in us. Some will be drawn. As the light grows, more will be drawn. They will sense this because we are a people who are seeking His new social order first thing in the morning.

"Father, Abba, I want to be in *Your* order." Mt 6:33 — Seek first His new social order, and all the things we need will be added to us. Many people speak about love, but who is seeking *first* His kingdom? The old social order is based on self-concern — each one seeking his own food, shelter and clothing. We will seek *His order* in every aspect — order in our marriage, order with our children, order with our brothers... brother to brother, household to household, clan to clan, tribe to tribe until He has a faithful nation.

We are scions — a people who live in one age and will not die, but will live on into the next. Noah was a type of this. He lived at the end of one age, warning and advising everyone that the end was near and lived on into the next. But the old was brought into the new through the disrespect in Noah's son.

We need to remember the two parables in Luke 13. They are about us, we are scions who will bring about the end of this age. Whenever we lift our hands to pray together, it is without division. There cannot be *ANY* division

Any kingdom which is divided will fall. But if we worship Him in the Spirit and in truth, we'll bring Him back to earth. We'll be able to look at Him face to face, eyeball to eyeball. He will know every one of

our thoughts, and our thoughts will be pure. He will know all our attitudes. His kingdom will be fully expressed on earth.

He will take a sprig, a cutting, a scion and plant it. From the old, He will cut a tender shoot and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. Eze 17:22 — In the next age it will be a mighty tree. Like the scion, we are cut now and carried over into the next.

There has to be this dawning, this new social order at the close of this age. When we say order, we mean government, when we say social we mean human relationships. People in the old social order live trying to fill the emptiness they feel as a result of being cut off from the source of life. Because of our Master, we can be connected to that source. He died on the cross for us. Now we participate in every social event of the Body, we don't separate ourselves. We were trained in the world to come to the party fashionably late, not to come early. Now we are gregarious. This has to do with communication. Man is alone until he has the social aspects of his life fulfilled.

We need to be hospitable, both to one another and to outsiders. The first thing Yoneq did when he arrived in Brazil was to buy more teacups and stools. Our hospitality was measured by the amount of cups we had for visitors. Soon, all the visitors had become part of us and we had to buy more cups. The apostolic centers will be hospitality centers. Hospitality is essential. That was how our Master walked, totally concerned about the needs of others; *our* needs. We needed a Savior. Hospitality is totally doing away with self-regard. It is casting ourselves upon Him, being filled with His precious Holy Spirit and walking in the works He's prepared for us (Eph 2:10).

This dawning has to be a visible demonstration of His love so that the world can see, can believe and know that our Master came. Light makes things *visible*. Our Master's prayer in Jn 17:20-23 has to happen or He won't come back. There has to be an Edah, a community, a church, a people where the gates of hell won't prevail. He has to have a standard, a light here on earth. We know clearly, by His word, that those who love one another are His disciples, they give their lives totally up to Him. We know His disciples by this — it generates light. It's just starting to dawn, a little faint light on the horizon in the deep darkness of this old age. But the light will grow, the people will grow. The great tree with birds of all types — all languages, races, cultures, temperaments — will be a demonstration that will bring the end of this age.

It has to be an observable unity — in flesh and blood. A people lifting their hands without any denominational differences, without *ANY* dissension, without even difference of opinion. Unity is unity only in unity. Yahshua said, "When you've seen Me you've seen the Father." When the world sees the Edah what will they see?

It's obvious that the twelve tribes of Israel is that new social order that exists in the midst of the old. The light is spread throughout the world by a people who live by His word as a testimony. A people who are obedient to every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. The new social order is based on the word of God. We must act upon it (Jms 1:22; 1 Jn 3:18). If we obey only what we want, and ignore the rest, then a new nation can't be born. There will be division, confusion — Babylon.

That dawning is on the horizon. In the deep darkness of the end of this evil age you can see a faint glimmer of hope. That light will grow — do you know that when you first see the sun come over the horizon you aren't really seeing the sun, you're seeing the brilliance and the image of the sun for the first few seconds? It's like the world will see the brilliance of the Son in us, they will see His image in us before He comes back (Rev 12:1).

But then the sun will burst over the horizon filling the whole earth with light. The dough will rise to full size, the stone will become a mountain that fills the earth, a great tree under which will dwell all the nations in peace, in the goodness of YHWH our God. So that the light of the life of our Master Yahshua will fill the whole earth. With love Ahavah,

Your brother and sister in Messiah,
Manoah and Ruth