

Fruit of the Spirit

[After we had affirmed our peace with one another in the courts of Naphtali this evening, Ha-emeq said she had something to share.]

Ha-emeq — This week Yoneq talked about being a man pleaser and it reminded me of something that he taught about back in Fortaleza. He said something so clear. It came from Gal 5:22.

It happened one day. There were about five people in the community then, and they were having a really hard time. And the one having the hardest time of all was Ish Chadash. He could see his lack — impatience. And so he made this really strong confession that he was going to REALLY TRY TO BE PATIENT. And so Yoneq didn't let him get by with saying that. It sounded like such a good thing to say — "I'm gonna try to be patient. I'm gonna pray every day that I could be patient.." It sounded like something everyone would say AMEN to. But Yoneq said, "Don't pray that; that's wrong." It was kind of surprising. But it is because in Galatians it says the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness and self control. We should never pray to have one of these — just pick one out and pray that we could be that way — "Ok, I want to be kind. I'm going to be the kindest possible person. I'm going to make myself be so kind." But this isn't real. What we should pray is that we would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Then the Holy Spirit will produce this kind of fruit. If you just pick out one of these, it's something false.

Because I thought about the purpose for fruit: it's a container for seeds. When the apple is ripe it falls off the tree. The only way to get more apple trees is for the seeds in there to go into the ground and the apple part makes fertilizer for the seeds to make another tree. The fruit of that tree is going to make more apple trees — if it is a real tree making real apples. But now men are making trees that make apples that can't make another tree. They have perfect looking fruit, but there is no real life in it because it cannot make another tree. That's why we don't eat nectarines and fruit like that because it's fabricated by man. We are not just people who want to be nice and try to have peace. But this is the fruit of the spirit that we want to produce so that when people come here we will have real fruit for them, not some kind of peace we are putting on that isn't real and won't give you life because it's fabricated by man.

I want our guests to see real fruit and it will give them life, not come here and see this fabricated life that looks real nice for a minute, but it doesn't give life — it doesn't produce any life in them.

I don't want to be a man pleaser. I want what comes out of my life to be real fruit from the Spirit of God. Then I won't be a man pleaser, then I'm going to give life.

Love is merely pretended if at the same time you don't have self control. Because the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness and self control. That is the fruit. They all grow off the same tree, so you cannot have one without the other. If you have self control, you have love. You don't have real joy if you don't have self control or patience. You cannot 'put on' joy and then not have patience or self control — it's hypocrisy. The real fruit of the spirit is the fruit of your own spirit being one with the Holy Spirit.

[The woman they call "Mother Theresa" doesn't have the Holy Spirit. She does good deeds and everyone praises her for it. If you look at the private life of Katherine Kulman, you see that she turned out to be an alcoholic. What we do when no one else is looking is what determines our character. When I was in Hollywood, California back during the 'Jesus Movement', Katherine Kulman was at the Palladium. At the end of her message she asked everyone to come up and everyone went to her in a line and each one got 'slayed' by her look. There were hundreds of people — getting 'slayed'. So when it was my turn, I just walked right on by. I was the only person she didn't put her hand out at. Because I wasn't into that spirit; I had power over that spirit; it didn't effect me. She didn't have the Holy spirit; she was doing that by another spirit. We are thankful we are not in that spirit. We are in the Holy Spirit. He is not a circus performer. What we do is from the Spirit of love, of self control, of a sound mind. This was back in 1971, just about one month before I met Ha-emeq.]

Paul the apostle was speaking of a great dichotomy that would come about in the last days (speaking from the prophesy of Mal 3:18), the great dichotomy between those who serve God in the Spirit of the truth, and those who try to serve God in their flesh. The gap will grow wider and wider as the days grow long. Even in the same community there will be a separation between the righteous and the wicked. But in Galatians, right after he mentioned what fruit would be produced by the spirit, Paul told the church in Gal 5:26, what would happen to it if they didn't live by the spirit. They would, and did, become challenging, provoking, envying one another, being jealous of each other. But in v.18 he speaks about being led by the Spirit — the true Spirit. In v.19 he talks about the produce of not being led by the Spirit but only by our own spirit — your own human nature (not in communion with the Holy Spirit). The fruit of that is: immorality, impurity, indecency, sensuality, idolatry — serving the wrong god, not the right One; sorcery — speaking as if you speak from God when you are not in communion with Him but in connection with the wrong spirit; it talks about all of these things that are the fruit of the flesh. Enmity — just think of the enmity that exists between people; strife, jealousy; outbursts of anger; disputes; dissensions; factions; heresies; envying; people drinking until they get drunk; going out at night..." (verses 19-21). All of these things exist in the world and the world is falling apart. It cannot go on any longer. Our Father has to raise up a standard in the last days. No one will enter the kingdom of God who has dissension against his brother. As a matter of fact, we have to be one as YAHSHUA is one with His Father. We have to have love coming forth from our hearts toward each other — and joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control, self restraint. And you cannot get put in jail for any of these things; there is no law against any of these things. All who belong to Messiah no longer practice the things in verses 19-21 because they have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Our human nature is being restored, reworked, reborn. Rebirth is coming about; we are a new person. So now we live by the Holy Spirit. And if we live by the Spirit, let's walk by the Spirit. Let's go forward. Paul said, "Let's not be vain, envying one another (Gal 5:26), which is the very thing that happened to them and has been going on for 1900 years. But now there is a restoration — the dawning of an absolutely new age. This age will end and a new age will begin. How? By us producing the fruit of the spirit.

Lev Amatz — I'm thankful I don't have to be a hypocrite. But I can run to the throne of grace and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Not pick a fruit and try to act like it. I'm thankful I'm not a pretender anymore.

Elazar — The first church was cut off because it didn't produce the fruit of the kingdom and was given to a people who would produce that fruit. When Ha-emeq was speaking about Gal 5 and the true fruit of the spirit, I was thinking that our Father is anxious for people who would produce the fruit. Our Father has hope in us. He hopes for us and I don't want to disappoint Him and I want to be diligent and faithful and not pretend, so that this could happen. And it has started to happen — that we are here together.

Yesterday I was reading Mt and Jn talks about rocks, that out of rocks he can make sons of Abraham. This is happening. Yahshua was the ax that cut down the tree that was not producing fruit and the tree was given to us. I want to be faithful to the purpose of our Father — to produce fruit.

Manoah — Those fruits are things we can't produce if we are not abiding. They are in our Master. If we are in Him, we will reflect Him — like the moon reflects the sun, the fruit reflects the tree. So He told us to abide so we will produce much fruit. The tree of Yahshua is going to produce the fruit in Gal 5:22 — love, joy, peace, patience... The only way we are able to obtain that fruit is living in Him, saying 'I'm a disciple, use me. I'm the clay, you're the potter.' If we abide in Him, we will produce this fruit — it has to happen.

Elazar — That is why Christianity cannot produce this fruit because it is disconnected — therefore it cannot produce this fruit.

Nahaliel — And it is impossible to not produce the fruit if it is connected to the vine. The time has come. It has to happen now. There is always something I feel — a weight, a burden inside of me, a pain that represents the pain of humanity, the suffering, the sin that through the ages of time has been accumulating — the injustice, the

land polluted by blood, immorality. Even creation is ruined because of the sin of man. And this is going to accumulate. And it is so important, what is happening with us, because a cry needs to go up to heaven. And we are gathering a people who are going to cry out for the return of Yahshua. I feel a burden and a weight of all the injustice that has accumulated to the point that the world is about to be destroyed. And in this time our Father is going to raise up a people who are going to cry out for the end of it all: "How long, how long, how much longer is this going to last?" (Rev 6:10)

And at this time now, our Father is starting to pull from all the corners of the earth all those who hear the voice of the shepherd and bring them together so they can cry out in unity as that people. This is the time that is coming that Yahshua is going to come back. Man in being restored. Man — the most precious creation but the most fallen and perverse of creation. Yahshua came so He can redeem man through His blood and the work of His Holy spirit to prepare the way for His return. And it is getting to be that time. It is coming. We have to pray that the other six tribes would be established, so that time would come that our voice would go up. And we have to cry out that He would give us grace to work with all diligence for this purpose, to this end.

Zaccai — Our Father is going to gather his people according to His time, according to His will, according to His choosing and they will be purified and we will produce the 144,000 according to the power that He has. He is the Creator of the universe. Nothing will be able to stop us.