

Surrender

If we look at things in the natural we would see how hard it is to raise up one tribe, much less twelve tribes. It seems so hard. Hardly anyone is getting saved, very few read the freepapers, maybe one in a thousand. We drive around and see so many beautiful houses, but where are the people going to come from to live in them. Judah has given so much. Each person is so intricately involved; they can't release anymore people.

Paul said through many tribulations we will enter the kingdom. It is difficult the way we go; it is not easy; it is a hard task full of difficulties and obstacles, but hard times have not even come yet (Isa 49:4). The labor that is involved in birth is full of painful, distressing, oppressing, rigorous and severe times, yet we haven't even started.

Jer 32:27; Gen 18:14 — Is anything too difficult for YHWH? You can see in verses 27-41 what YHWH thinks of His people. This relates to the first church and Christianity, how His people have always failed Him. Jeremiah is speaking what YHWH is saying. The only thing we have to do in order for Him to do this is to surrender our will to Him. Phil 2:12-13 — It is going to be His work in us, His will at work, so that we would never deviate from His path. We work out our salvation with fear and trembling BECAUSE God is at work in us. People who fall away don't fear and tremble. Verse 14 shows who His people are and are not. EVERYTHING we do, we do without complaining, arguing, grumbling, or disputing. We are to be blameless. The people who fear and tremble are His people. They aren't anyone else.

Isa 49:6 says we will be the light of the world. What can we do to bring that about and be those people His is talking about, something He is going to do with all of his heart and all of His soul? Our God has a heart and soul. His is DOING something with ALL of His heart and ALL of His soul. That is the only thing He is concerned about at this time. Our God is putting all of His heart and soul to this task. He is going to do it, IF we are the people who surrender to Him. We surrendered our everything at baptism through repentance, and received the Holy Spirit. We have to do something with all our heart and soul in order for Him to do it. If we do it with all our heart and soul He will do the same. Anything less is withholding ourselves. He is going to do it if we don't subvert or undermine His work in us. It is God in us to will and to work in us. We could subvert His work in us by the work of our own strength (Phil 2:13).

To make a phone call and make a quick decision is the flesh. It is the flesh not to council with your own people in your location (edah). Only if there is a stalemate, then you know when you need to ask for wisdom. Then you should write and wait for the answer. The telephone is the world's theme — it only promotes the flesh.

We must be blameless and without fault. Our work is done blamelessly (1 Pet 4:11). God is at work with all of His heart and soul working through His chosen vessels. So what if that vessel is not working will all of his heart and soul? It is impossible for Him to go beyond our will, our total surrender.

We should write letters. Call Yoneq only when the Holy Spirit says call. We are spending thousands of dollars in the flesh making phone calls. It is so easy to make a phone call and get an instant answer, but not trust our Father. It is the fall of the twelve tribes.

If it is God at work, whatever you do, do it with His strength and not your own. Some build with hay, wood, and stubble (1 Cor 3:10-15). If it is not the strength that He supplies, it is just hay wood and stubble. We need to be purified now because we are building on the foundation of Yahshua the Messiah. We need to build with fear and trembling, with precious stones that won't burn up in judgment.

How did they destroy the temple? By well-meaning people who give answers in the flesh. They can do this in the world. The president of General Motors does it; he gets on the telephone and gives his instant worldly wisdom. Only if you are stuck and you can't make it should you get help — then write a letter. We must be

careful how we judge before we make a call on that wire that passes through the airways of Satan. To use the phone and not rely on people where you are is brain power on the phone. It keeps the Body from functioning. We must take care of our own problems. Only when it is necessary do we ask for help. If every time we have a question we call for someone else we will destroy the body. Be led by the Holy Spirit before you call (1 Pet 4:11).

It must be done with the strength He provides. We surrender our will to the strength He provides. Being energized by the Holy Spirit with grace, the energy and desire that comes from faith, hearing Him and obeying by His strength. That is what led us to repentance in the first place. We must fear and tremble that we are not working in our own strength. We will err if we don't consult with Him.

Jer 32:40 says I will inspire them to fear me. Well, what about these phone calls, is He inspiring anyone that maybe we are doing wrong? Look at Jer 32 — I WILL, I WILL, I WILL. If He is in our hearts we will rejoice because He is there in our hearts. If He is going to rejoice, we will. He will rejoice only if we surrender to Him.

He WILL NOT do it against our will. It will only be a people who hear Him and do His will by His strength.

Surrender: to yield or give in to another; submit; give up strife and contention; deliver up possessions on compulsion or demand; resign one's person or possessions; yield the breath as to expire; to be subject to.

Messiah in us the hope of glory (Col 1:21-28). Lk 14:31-32 — We must surrender to the King who is coming and on His way to be here someday. His people surrender before He comes. Whoever doesn't surrender before He comes He will destroy. One king is coming with 20,000. The other king has only 10,000. He must consider and surrender. The dictionary says, "surrender to commissioners of bankrupt." We've got to know we are bankrupt. We must surrender at the first summons. That is what we did at baptism. That is what we must do everyday.

Is our love waxing? Do we have all the love we can possibly have? Do we have as much love as the Ephesians did when they were waning? (Rev 2:4). Where is our love compared to that love? To the degree we are using the love that has been poured out in our hearts upon others is to the degree our light shines. We have enough love to live with one another. Are we living by love or tolerance? How many people did you pray for in the Body today? How many people were we concerned about? How much do you love? How much is in that bowl in heaven? Pray for the ones you don't feel like you love until you feel like you love them. The love we have for some may be like the love of the Gentiles; we may have liked that person in the world. If we got a letter (like the Ephesians did) I wonder what it would say?

Nehemiah: I was thinking about subvert and salvation. When I fall short I don't realize what I've been saved from. Before, I couldn't love. Salvation brought peace and love to my life. But still, it did not change the fact that I could fall back into these things. If we don't TOTALLY live for Him, we start receiving life from other things, the things that brought us death. This really hurts our Master.

He did not leave the Laodiceans. He was still there in their spirits, but not in their hearts. The thoughts we entertain defile us. We did not fear and we entertained them. We become useless to our Master.

We don't see the flesh very well at all. When we see how our flesh and our own strength subverts our Master's will we are going to hate it. Until we hate it, it is going to be a part of us. I am thankful for His discipline in our hearts. That is what is going to change us. When He returns He is actually going to have a people without fault or complaint, blameless. We are either acquitted or condemned by what comes out of our mouth. Even what we think condemns us.

Hakam: It is arrogant to think that God is not working elsewhere in small places with all of His heart and soul (like Lancaster). Why don't we surrender? Because we don't believe (trust) God will be there.

If we don't believe what Isa 49:25-26 says we don't believe what YHWH says. This is APROMISE — He will save our children.

Surrender: acquiesce to another without discontentment, to rest in peace.

Acquiesce: to yield to the authority of another without opposition.

If we surrender we know He will do what He says. If we don't we know He can't. Otherwise our persecution is not righteous. Remember what happened when people came to take our children? We surrendered. He contended with those who contended with us (and saved Havah).

Atarah: I was thinking about how it is so much easier to make a phone call to someone else. We want someone to tell us what to do so we won't have to fear doing wrong — someone else can take the blame. It is so much easier for the flesh not to be wrong. This is not trusting our Father.

We must be led by the spirit. We know when we need to appeal to a greater wisdom.