The Firm Foundation of Elohim StandsPart 6 — Belonging to Him

So let us just go over the two inscriptions in that foundation again: "Our Master knows who are His," and, "Th ose who name His name [who confessed He is Sovereign, Rom 10:9; 1 Jn 2:3, who say they are His], m ust abstain from lawlessness"— everything that people who belong to Yahshua abstain from. If they do not, then it separates them. You know who belongs and who does not belong (Num 15:14-16). Those who cannot purify themselves are not doing something that 1 Jn 3:3 says, which is that whoever has the hope of our Master's return purifies himself. Therefore if you do not have this hope, you do not purify yourself, you do not truly belong to Him, you never really joined yourself to Messiah when you went into the water (1 Cor 6:17; Acts 2:38 — presupposed repentance). Like Phineas said, "I didn't truly give myself to Him; I didn't conjoin myself to Him; I didn't die." You have to die to have a new life. You have to come to the end of your life in order to have a new existence. You cannot have a new existence and never die. It is obvious (Jn 12:25-26).

Now let us look in Rev 21:27 and we see that there are people whose names are already now recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life. "Nothing unclean," means nothing that has not been washed. What does unclean mean? Clean is free from moral and spiritual defilement. Unclean means that you are just common like everybody else, you have not been cleaned. Therefore if you are unclean in the midst of people who are clean, you are a polluting influence — you pollute, contaminate, soil, defile, you are an infecting influence, you are stained yourself and you stain others. Sometimes we allow people to be in our midst who claim to be sons of God, claim to belong to Him, claim that their name is written in that foundation, yet they are a polluting influence, a corruption.

We must see to it that no one misses grace. If someone is missing grace, what are they missing grace to do? What does grace give you the power to do? Power to do everything and also to judge yourself. So, if we do not see to it that they are receiving grace, then we need grace ourselves, and thus we both will defile the many. That is how the first church was defiled. Rev 21:27 is the security of those who actually belong to Him — they are His, their names are written in that book. It also talks about those who really are His, who belong to Him, in Gal 5:24.

So who belongs to Him and who does not belong to Him? This is the whole theme of what we are talking about today. 2 Tim 2:19 talks about those who belong to Him. Gal 5:24 talks about those who belong to Him. If you do belong to Him, this is what you have done. And if you do not belong to Him, then you can tell where you are at so that you can be saved. You can say, "This is where I am at. Now I know, I don't belong to Him, and now I want to belong to Him. What do I have to do?" You have to call out for Him to save you from this alienation, separation from Him and the commonwealth of Israel (Eph 2:12).

Those who belong to Him have crucified their flesh and they keep on crucifying it (Lk 9:23). They do not let it have dominion over them; they consider it dead. *Rom* 8:9 speaks about belonging to Him. *Ga I* 3:29 — Those who belong to Him do what? They do the deeds of Abraham because they are Abraham's seed. If they are Abraham's seed, they do the deeds of Abraham — those who belong to Him do the deeds of Abraham.

This is for the future, and this is for now. Let us listen to this so that our Master would not have wasted His breath. He would not have had it recorded in the word of God if it was not important for us.

Now we are the seed of Abraham. Therefore we do the deeds of Abraham, unless our Father is still the devil. *Jn* 8:39 — They claim to be Abraham's seed but are really not. They claim — those who name the name of Yahshua do the deeds of Abraham — abstain from wickedness and worthless doings (Eph 2:10). In *Jn* 8:39-44 it speaks about this. They say, "Yes, I name the name of YHWH; He's my God; Abraham is my Father." But He tells them that they are liars, that their father is a liar, Satan, that he has been a liar from the beginning and they do his works — he is their father.

So *Jn 9:41*— "...since you claim to see, your guilt remains." Since you claim. Those who name the name of the Lord shall abstain from all wickedness. Those who claim to see, but are not actually abstaining from wickedness, and who go on in lawlessness and worthlessness, their guilt remains

upon them. If your guilt remains it means you go on into the second death after you die. Like in Num 15:30-31, it says the guilt remains upon them. There is no atonement for that guilt. And in *Jn 15:22* it says, "If I hadn't spoken to them they wouldn't be guilty, but since I've spoken to them, they are guilty." They claim to see. So, the people in the Body who continually hear the word day in and day out and never change, they keep on engaging in worthless deeds — that is what He is talking about. They are like reprobate silver, the silver that will not purify. The purification heat goes on, but there is no purification, no removal of the dross. The silver is reprobate. "If I had not come and spoken to them they would not have sinned, but now they have no excuse for their sin."

If you have no excuse for your sin it means that the consequences of it are the second death. Those such as these who live in the Body have no excuse to offer God in the Day of Judgment — their guilt will remain upon them. Those who actually do not belong to Him will be judged along with the world. When you are judged along with the world, especially if your guilt remains upon you, when you die you go into the first death and there you are in the center of the earth, and your soul, your consciousness, is more acutely conscious there than you are now. And you are conscious that there is no hope for you, even in the judgment to come, for you lived a life of pretense in the Body. You do not belong to Him. He has never become yours and you have never become His. Belong means to be the property, the possession of — "My special possession" (Mal 3:17). If you belong to Him you are the property and the concern of His, the property and the concern of Him who died for your sake. If you knew someone who died for your sake, then you would no longer live for yourself but you would live for him who died for your sake so that you would not have to die and so that you can also rise again from the dead. You would live for Him (Jn 5:25; 6:44, etc.). That is a natural outcome. If you do not do that, you do not belong to Him. They do not live for themselves any longer because they have been won over by His love in dying for them. If you have not been won over by His love in dying for you, you do not know Him.

2 Cor 5:15 — Everyone is part of the "all" whom He died for. All are included in the "all". So therefore there is hope that anyone can be saved if he no longer lives for himself — that means, if he repents. And unless you repent, you cannot receive the Holy Spirit. That is what receiving the Holy Spirit means. This is the gospel. If you do not want to live for Him, it is because you have no reason to live for our Master, and so He has reason to condemn you to the second death because your are worthless. Acts 13:45-47 says that they are not worthy of eternal life because they spoke against the truth, they rejected the truth.

So, belonging to Him means what? What does *belong* mean? If you belong to someone, you have a close secure relationship enduring forever and ever. If you belong to Him you are saved from that death that lasts forever and ever — the lake of fire. Look up Rev 14:11; Mt 25:41,46; Rev 20:15; 20:10; 19:3; 22:5. Rev 22:5 and 14:11 kind of go together. You can see the reality of what we are saved from. There is absolutely no salvation unless you know what you are saved from and what you are saved to. Eternal life (Rev 22:5) is the antithesis of eternal death (Rev 14:11).

So we see those things that we have been delivered from, which we do not have to belong to because we belong to our Master. "Forever and ever" in the Greek (Rev 19:3) means it has no ending, going on for eternity. In Rev 19:20 and 14:11 it talks about the false prophet being thrown into the lake of fire. And after 1000 years (Rev 20:10), Satan is finally thrown into the place where the beast and false prophet still are in torment (Rev 19:20-21), and where everyone else is who follows Satan. Satan is thrown into the same place in Rev 20:10. You can see that if you read it. That is the final wages to the one who deceived you. And if he deceived you, you are going to have the same fate as him (Mt 25:41) because you have to willingly (Rom 1:24,26,28) give yourself to Satan in order to be deceived by him, because God has put the natural law in your heart. Even if you have never heard of Yahshua, or the Bible, you still have the natural law in your heart that saves you from eternal death by warning you from doing detestable acts like fornication. Sex outside of marriage is fornication. God created marriage. Fornication is one of the reasons why a person is put into the lake of fire (Mt 25:46). Our Master experienced the lake of fire on our behalf. These are the words of our Master Yahshua as recorded in the scriptures (Rev 22:11; Dan 12:3,10).

Let us put 2 Tim 2:19 and Mt 7:23 together again. It says the same thing, doesn't it? Mt 7:23 — They said, "Lord, Lord," but He said, "I never knew you, go away." And 2 Tim 2:19 — Everyone who says, "Lord, lord," must turn away from wickedness. So what are those wicked things? Can we judge it? If we cannot judge it, we may be void of the Spirit. The sons of Abraham are able to judge themselves — they have a circumcised heart. 2 Pet 2:22 says a dog goes back to his vomit and a pig is washed only to return to the mud. Verse 20 says that they quit doing these things for a while because they learned about Yahshua and about what they should and should not do, but their nature did not change because they did not belong to Messiah, so they went back — they still had a dog's nature, they still had a pig's nature; they were worthless, unclean, they went back and lapped up the vomit, they loved the vomit.

Christians have learned to perform outwardly. They give their testimony of how they have been delivered from drugs, but they cannot quit smoking a lousy little insignificant cigarette. They have no power. They can give testimony how they have been healed from certain things, but they cannot give up the world, they cannot give up living like the Gentiles. "Lord, didn't we do this and that?" "I never knew you. Depart from me."

Dardah: This made me want to be sensitive to the Spirit in me and in my covering to be found walking in those works prearranged for me and not in the flesh.

Hakam: 2 Tim 2:19 — If He didn't know we were His, He wouldn't have given His Spirit to us. Because ultimately, all the sons of God are going to come into obedience to Him, even if it has to be through discipline. It makes the purifying work, of the circumstances we face, make even more sense. Our Father doesn't fail in reaching our hearts. All the circumstances that come up, the things we go through, the crisis we have in our own personal lives and as a people, all the things that come up every day, that's the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. He gets to our hearts to affect true repentance. We need to understand that or we'll always be shrinking back and fainting under that discipline. But it's bringing out what is really in our heart. And what our heart really is, is to obey our Father. Otherwise He would have never made us sons. We have sons of our own. If we can reach their heart, their heart will obey us.