May 25, 1994, Evening Minchah Boston

The Body of Messiah does their Chores

Doing our chores is of utmost importance to our life in the Body of Messiah. It is more important than going to work; it is our responsibility to do our part and do our chores each day so we can come to the Minchah with a clean conscience. Doing our chores is something we are responsible for. If we aren't doing our chores we shouldn't be lifting our hands at the morning and evening Minchah (or wearing a headcovering). If we aren't doing our chore a brother can come to us and ask why we didn't do it and if we don't receive him he can get another brother to come and talk to us. If we don't repent we'll be brought before the Edah and if we still don't repent we'll be cut off and have to be treated as an unbeliever. So we see it's a serious thing not to do our chores.

If we were to apply this tonight, how many of us could lift up our hands? (This shows that 3/4 of the Community here would be cut off!) We represent the Body of Messiah. When people come here we want them to see a clean house.

From now on we should be judging ourselves in this area before we come to the gathering. If anything is on our conscience we can't lift our hands. If you know the right thing to do and don't do it — it's sin to you (Jms 4:17). My liver can't do the job of my kidneys. My kidneys can't take the place of my hands and my nose can't chew only my teeth can do that. Every part of my body has to do its *own* part. The human body is a type of the Body of Messiah. The human body is one and the Body of Messiah is one, every part doing its job. Let's be the Body of Messiah here on earth. Christianity can't be the Body of Messiah because they go home after church and do their own thing and they're not functioning as a body, together as one. The body works in coordination; there are no uncoordinated parts working alone, but all parts move together and it functions as one organism.

Did we have grace today? Or did we get mad at our brother because he didn't do his chore? We're learning how to judge ourselves and work together, each person doing his part.

We can't run a perfectly clean, orderly cafe when our house is filthy! If we can't keep our homes clean we'll be like Pharisees running around cleaning our restaurant, but coming home to a dirty house. Our cafes should be a reflection of our homes, of our life.

So can we lift our hands as one Body? Are we going to take doing our chores seriously and do them from now on with willing hearts? If our Master was here could he wash dishes any better than N'su can if he is in the spirit? No, because we have the same spirit as our Master has, the same life as He has — we'rd His Body. If Yahshua lived here would we keep our house clean? It shouldn't be any different than having our Master live here. Let's increase in doing our chores so our life will reflect the life of our wonderful Master, working together as one body — His Body.