

All That Remains of Filthiness

Nun: These are some things that Yoneq spoke with me about yesterday as we were driving to our other farm in Bigga, NSW. He wanted this to be passed on to the Body.

Look at Eph 5:3-5. When we were saved we renounced the sins that were taking us to death — the first and second as well (1 Cor 6:11). But what about these things that remain in us — impurity, greed, *filthiness*, silly talk, coarse jesting, covetousness, idolatry? Our Master has already accomplished His work **for** us. Now the Holy Spirit has to do His work **in** us. It still remains for our *souls* to be redeemed. These things in verses 3-5 have to be put aside. James 1:19-21 or 5:19,20 — There's the word *filthiness* again in (verse 21). What could that be talking about? Surely the *acts* of filthiness we committed before knowing Messiah have been washed away by the blood. So what is this *filthiness* or unrighteousness that it talks about here that still remains in us?

This is talking about our *bent iniquities* and *inherited* tendencies that still remain in us and must be dealt with.

Rev 22:11 — Some people will *remain* in that state *forever and ever*. Let those who are Holy remain holy. You can't be Holy with filth still remaining in you. Our spirit is saved, but a work of purification through the Holy Spirit has to take place in order to make us Holy. Our own soul has to be brought into accord (agreement, harmony) with the Spirit and His Word (Eph 1:13-14; Jms 1:21-25). We must be in absolute unity with His Spirit. Whatever is working in us that resists walking down the narrow path and attempts to go down the broad path has to be removed or keeps us from Heb 4:16.

We've been taken out of the obvious filth of the world. But there is still filth in us. It's submerged in our souls.

That's why it says our souls have to be saved (James 1:21) by receiving the "word" *implanted*. The *word* here is speaking about that which comes from the anointing (1 Jn 2:20, 27), as we share it amongst ourselves. This is what we are to be devoted to (Acts 2:42) and if we are, it will save our souls from anything that remains in us of wickedness. If we are *doers* (James 1:22) and not just *hearers* of this word which comes from the anointing then that word will be *implanted* deeply in our hearts and save our *souls* from death (James 5:20). It will guard and protect us, heal and restore us from all our *wrong ways* (those *bent iniquities* which try to rise up and destroy us). We may clean up our external acts, but according to His Word (James 1:21) there still remains this filth and wickedness in us which must be removed through the "implanted" word. This is the spoken word that comes to us in our minchot and daily life. We are bathed in the anointing which teaches us everything we need to know (1 Jn 2:20,27).

Our own righteousness does not come *only* by cleaning up our *outward deeds* (Mt 5:20). It takes the *word* and *our faith* working hand in hand to produce this kind of righteousness. We have to *hear* His word and then *obey* it if we want to be *straightened out*. Even though we still have these things remaining in us we have the provision of His word, through the anointing, and by receiving it humbly we can become *totally clean*. These bent iniquities (the inherited ways in us) are **bent** on our destruction. The external things we commit are just the tip of the iceberg. The word *filth* in James 1:21 is #4507 meaning dirtiness, filthiness, and #4508, wicked, vile. It is the filth that remains **IN US** — fornication, foolishness, thefts, greed, idolatries, slander, evil thoughts, etc. — that defile us and keep our *souls from being saved* (1 Ths 5:23; Eph 5:3-6; 1 Cor 6:9-11).

We don't live by a code of *external* principles. It's the *internal* things of the heart that are really hard to deal with. We can't rid ourselves of these things merely by the *will*. Certainly the most *obvious* things are the first to go and be judged as worthless (that's the tip of the iceberg). That should already be taken care of, but now what about our *soul* — the deepest most part of our character *and personality* (the *way* we *think* and *feel* about things, what is most familiar to us. You've heard the expression, "Oh, that's a *way* in him." It's like a *path* you've already trodden on many times before. If these remain in

us, **they become our *internal guide, what we subconsciously follow.*** Rev 22:11 — Those who are in the Filthy or Unjust category of the nations, their filthiness *remained*, because they refused to obey the *voice* of their conscience, the *voice* of Creation, and many *rejected* the message (Jn 3:18) of Messiah. These were not worthy of a second life. They were sealed for destruction *forever and ever*. It was their own choice.

Rev 22:11 — the word *filth* here, if you look it up in the Greek (#4510), means to *soil*, to *become* dirty, filthy. This is talking about those who didn't live according to the second Covenant, but rejected their conscience. They had the opportunity to *maintain* their *natural* (or instinctive) righteousness, but they *willingly* chose to push it away and ignore God's voice in their conscience. Even though they knew what they were doing was evil, they encouraged others to do it — to go against their conscience, to tear down the gates and let evil pour in like a flood. They had *no fear*. They encouraged high-handed revolt.

We have a greater law than conscience at work within us, because we have the Spirit. We've said "Uncle." We conceded to the greater King. Even though we no longer participate in what the nations do (fornication, drinking alcohol, cursing, carousing, killing, etc.), there's still filth that remains in us. The things mentioned in Eph 5:3-5 are *ways* still in us. He wants to get down to the root of what *motivates* us. The word must be planted *deep* in us in order to save us from these things lodged *deep* in our character. The word has to make a lasting *impression*. It has to leave its *mark* in us or we will never change.

You can see **glory** radiating in the *character* and make-up of those that are *being saved*. They have *weight*. When we're not being saved that glory is taken away. You can see that too. But He prayed His glory would remain on us. We made an appeal for a clean conscience. Now we have to constantly say, "Yes, I submit." We will be saved by the continued cooperation and consistent exercise of our will — abiding in the anointing. Eventually, all the bent ways can actually be ironed out. Our distorted mind and emotions start changing and we start thinking rightly (Jn 17:22).

When we don't have vision and we come to the minchot and wait for the "Nicolaitans" it means we are forming a clergy and laity system. It is *wickedness* in us. It shows who is not being saved. Some people have so much to contribute, but they don't. They are passively rebellious. They don't want to be made uncomfortable by having *too much* responsibility. It places a *demand* on their lives. This passivity is also a *bent way* that quenches and grieves the Spirit. We need to exercise and rouse our spirit or we'll wind up being set in our stubbornness and rebellion. It's the national sin of Australia, the extremes, the split personality of Asher. The extremes have to be worked out. We have to have revelation.

I know my soul is being saved because I have a higher preoccupation with our Father's purpose than to focus all my attention on the bent ways in me. They're too great for me (like David said in the Psalms his enemies were too great for him and he prayed for God's deliverance). We can't be like AA. I can't heal myself. Yahshua has already dealt with many of the overt things — the tip of the iceberg. We still have to use our will and not resist Him — but surrender our will to Him. We have to be active in the anointing — this will save us. We still have to submit our wills in obedience to Him, but we aren't struggling along all on our own without revelation and grace

If we submit our wills to Him, then we'll grow and the bent ways in us won't take us to death.

The filth in us (James 1:21) is not the obvious, overt display of debauchery, but it's the *subtle ways bent towards evil that still remain in us*. These *subtle ways* are what Eph 5:3 calls a "hint." The filth that still remains in us is detected subtly by a mere "hint" of something seemingly out of place. The hint, of course, is just the tip of the iceberg. If there is even the hint of something, like that mentioned in Eph 5:3 (NIV, NJB, NKJV) then you know that most likely much more lies *submerged* underneath. What is seen is only a *superficial* indication of something much deeper.

Are we going to cooperate or not? We're all in the same refining pot now — the refiner's fire. Community is that refining pot in which we can truly be saved, but not by just being here without our co-operation. There's no benefit coming to the minchot if all we do is come waiting for the pope to speak. We're not red hot like that; we're more like Laodicea.

We all have the responsibility to judge those things that hinder us from entering the kingdom. Our Master

wants a people He can display His power and rulership through — a cabinet — a government. Without that government He cannot rule. He cannot bring in the 8th Day — the Eternal Age. He can't do it without those, who in humility receive the word implanted.

We have to put our mind on the anointing — not on our bent iniquities. Unless, of course, we need to repent and cut off the things in us which are *tender* towards the evil one. That is our duty to Messiah if we want to be *faithful* (Pr 28:13). Otherwise, as soon as we turn our minds to these things they can start *preying* upon us — to *devour* us. We become "preoccupied" with them — giving them *power*. If you don't *mind* it, you don't *become* it. "*As a man thinks, so he is.*" If we ignore them and keep our mind on the anointing, what our Father is teaching us, then what remains of filthiness gets swallowed up by His grace working in our lives and we grow more like Him as a result. This is how, "in humility, we receive the word implanted in our hearts which is able to save our souls." That is how the word saves us and deals with all these bent things.

We let the word be implanted in us by humbling ourselves, confessing and forsaking our sins. If anyone does this then those bent ways will be straightened out in him. We have to put off *apathy* and let the word cut our hearts and heal the things in us that are *bent* (crooked, perverted, twisted).

Those in Rev 22:11 were not willing to suffer to be righteous. They totally resisted their consciences and rushed down the broad way. The sins passed on to us from our parents are what we struggle with the most in overcoming. There is naturally a strong, downward pull in us toward death because of our fallen nature. It will take us there unless we're wise and discerning. But the way up, the process of being set free and purified is simple but requires 100% DEVOTION. Even when our flesh is saying, "Come on, relax. Give up. Be lazy." Wickedness masquerades in apathy. Remember, because we were so apathetic in the world, we could hardly be bothered. Now it should bother us if we are being apathetic (not active) and not giving ourselves to the Word. It's required of some to suffer and overcome more for the *sake of the Body*. We all have to do our share in filling up the sufferings of Messiah. If the leaders don't overcome and give themselves to the Word, overcoming consistently, then the sheep would be scattered and end up being preyed upon by their enemies. Unless there are shepherds in the Body who are after God's own heart, there will not be this kind of care for His Flock.

Sheep are so content though with food. They just eat and eat and eat and eat and eat and eat... then they lay down and digest, then they get back up and eat and eat and eat some more. It's a perfect picture of God's people feeding on His Word.