18 November 1996, Morning Minchah Reuben

Let Us Step Forward and Draw Near

Unless we say "Amen" it won't come true. Don't think it will come true. The "Amen" is the confirmation. It's a commanding prayer. It's nothing that you say in rote.

Heb 10:32-39

Verse 33 — Do you know what a public spectacle is? You are a public spectacle. You are all over Europe. We can't get all fixed on our little possessions here on earth. That's not our security. We cannot think we get a house, and now we finally got the roof fixed, and now we are well off. What if our property gets seized? [The community in Sus is faced or threatened with a seven million francs tax charge.] One thing they can't do is take Yahshua away. What happens when you step on an anthill? They build another. They don't get all fixed on the enemy. Can we get anything better than what we have? Yes. You don't know what our Father has in store.

Verse 38 — He will live by his faithfulness to our Master.

We want His soul to have pleasure in us. That's what they had to endure in the first century — the seizure of their property, being made a public spectacle through reproaches and tribulations. We do the same thing as they did. We are the ones they prayed for. We are that preserved seed. It came into us. Just like the unfallen seed of Adam was preserved for 4,000 years and planted supernaturally into Mary. The overshadowing of the Holy Spirit in Luke 1:35 was really something amazing. Of course it was not the fallen seed of Adam; it was the unfallen seed. The same happened with us. The seed of the first church, the preserved one, came into us. Our Master was the second and last Adam, not the first. We are the second, the last edah, not the first. **Heb 10:19-25**

Verse 21 — We are that house if we hold fast our outspokenness (Heb 3:6).

We have a great high priest over our house. We are that house if we hold on to that outspokenness. We have confidence if nothing holds us back.

Verse 22 is talking about the minchah. In the minchah we pray for the essential things, we pray and make intercession for people, we give thanks.

Verse 22 says, "Let us come forward." This means to physically step forward, to move our bodies. Most bibles don't get this. One bible says, "Let us continue and draw near," because in Greek the word forcontin *ue* and *step forward* are similar. The Amplified Bible gets it. They say, "Let us step forward and draw near." Our hearts are cleansed from any sense of sin. There is not any inkling, nothing. Anything that bothers us we confessed it. We have gone to our brothers and sisters so we can draw near with perfect faith.

It became a habit of the first church in the first century that some people didn't come. They stayed back and didn't draw near. They either didn't come to the gathering at all, or they would come and stay on the outskirts and not step forward and draw near when it was time to step forward and draw near. Let's not be like that. When we hear that it's the time to draw near we stand up. Sometimes you can sit down in the minchah when someone speaks, but when we hear that it's the time to draw near we stand up and

draw near. We come forward with our bodies and draw near in our heart. There is no sacrifice without doing that.

We draw near to the throne in faith. The real sanctuary is in heaven. We pray for the essential things so we can exist. We offer up prayer, supplications, intercessions, and thanksgivings. If we do that and the whole armies of the earth come against us, God just laughs at them (Psalm 2). If we don't lose our outspokenness and all the armies of the earth come against us, God laughs at them. The United States deserves the president they elected. So does France. Christianity has the king over them they deserve. It's the same with us. We have that King over us that we are worthy of.

Without Amen the prayer doesn't count. It doesn't mean anything.