## Wholehearted Nation A Letter from Chanowk about Child Training

Ever since Nun came over from Yehudah and talked to us about blamelessness meaning wholeheartedness I sensed that our Father had spoken to me about something. I realized that it was something very important for us to understand so that we would be able to raise our children in that way.

As much as I understood what Nun was talking about it seemed that wholeheartedness had everything to do with being *surrendered*. Only in a surrendered state can we be wholehearted. That means that in our spirits we need to come to the place where we do what we do for our Master Yahshua (Col 3:17). That is being surrendered. So the foundation of being wholehearted is being surrendered. That is the only way we can be pleasing to our Master. Gen 17:1 — Abraham walked before Him blameless — wholehearted. Our Father wants us to walk like Abraham walked, that is *blameless*. There is no blame in being wholehearted toward our Father. In a wholehearted deed cannot be found any blame, at least not in the eyes of our Father. If we are wholehearted, then we are blameless. If we are surrendered, then we are wholehearted.

Surrender = wholeheartedness = blamelessness.

This is what I understood. This is really helping me also to understand in a greater way how to raise up my children to be pleasing to me. I always said that my children need to be surrendered to my spirit. And in that state they were pleasing me and I didn't have to discipline them. So when they get up, I make sure that they are surrendered to me in their spirit. That means for them the same thing that it means for me. Doing what they do because they want to please me, they are doing it for me, just as I do it for my Father. If I sense that attitude in them I am pleased. But if I sense a contrary attitude in them, then I will use their consequential disobedience, as soon as it occurs, to discipline them in order to bring them back to the state of being surrendered (Pr 13:24). That should be the purpose of discipline — to cleanse them and bring them back to the state of being surrendered. Once surrendered they are pleasing and thus blameless.

That's why the focus of child training needs to be that our children learn to be surrendered to us, their parents. That learning process starts with the swaddling and goes on with restraining until they know that there is no other purpose for their life than being surrendered. Training a child in the way he should go is to teach him to be surrendered, first to his parents and then he will not depart from it — he will be surrendered to our Master (Pr 22:6). But if the discipline they are getting doesn't bring them back to the point of being surrendered, then it is good for nothing because we are not training them in the way after us (Gen 18:19), the way that they won't depart from once they are of age, which is being surrendered, a willing sacrifice, blameless.

If we train them to be surrendered to us and keep their spirits in that place, we are protecting them from their enemies. A surrendered person possesses the gates of his enemies (Gen 22:16-17). I am teaching Amidah, when I notice that she is not possessing the gates of her enemies, that the way she is to conquer the gates is by saying: "ALL I WANT TO DO IS TO PLEASE MY ABBA AND MY IMMA."

Then all her enemies will have to flee. And that is really true. Once she says in her spirit that all she wants is to please me, she is set free from her enemies and she is surrendered. Many times just upon my word she surrenders and thus is victorious.

I am thankful for the anointing that teaches us to be blameless and pass that on to our children.

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## Yoneq goes on to add:

It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. (Isa 49:6) This requires builders, and to have builders requires that there be true sons and daughters raised up, sons and daughters who outdo the destroyers (verse 17).

Your builders outstrip your destroyers, and those who laid you waste go forth from you. (Revised Standard) Your builders outdo your destroyers, and those who laid you waste go away from you. (New Revised Standard) Another possible translation of those words "outdo" as suggested in the NRS margin is, "your sons come swiftly" — this is without hesitation. The destroyers have a mind of their own. Some translations in verse 17 say,

"your sons and children shall make haste," but it really means, "swiftly obey, swiftly carry out their commands," outdoing the ones who lay waste or hesitate. "Outdo" also means "overcompensate for" the loss of and the damage done by the destroyers.

As in Isa 49:6, the subject is to raise up, to restore, but not only to raise up or to restore, but that which is restored would accomplish its purpose. This restoration will be the means in which "Yahweh Salvation" will extend to the whole earth (Isa 42:6-7; 49:8-9; Lk 1:76-79) and this requires sons and daughters who are builders (look up and study 1 Chr 28:1-20).

See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

Isa 49:16 says that Yahweh will not forget Zion because it's in His plan — His plan for us is engraved on the palm of His hands. Engraved or inscribed means to stamp or impress on the memory, as the nail holes in the palm of the hands of Yahweh's Salvation, our Master and Saviour Yahshua.

Our Father has His whole heart set on the restoration of Zion. He needs the surrendered lives of His sons, His builders, to accomplish this great work. He does not forget His cause or grow weary. May we all be the same!