July 2001 Intertribal Meetings — Part 4

First thing in the morning we all went to look at the farm and restaurant in the little village of Tully, in the township of Orange, which a friend who has a chiropractic office in Dorchester wants us to have. Then we returned to the house in Groton to continue the Tribal Trading meeting...

For I have Chosen Him

In case you didn't know, our Father chose you because you had the greater capa city to receive faith and grace, you are greater in considering others, greater in judging matters, and able to love to a greater degree and bear all the fruits of the spirit. At least you have the capacity and the potential. Like everyone, you have to go to the Throne of Grace for the same grace that everyone needs. You have the greatest love of all people, or our Father wouldn't have chosen you unless you had this greater capacity of love in your hearts.

He chooses those who can love more so that they can care for others. They are always working for the best interests of others. I just want you to understand this about yourselves.

Nun – If we really believe what Yoneq just said we would make sure to get the grace and faith we need to be this way, in order to truly maintain a united front. The Twelve Tribes would be characterized by true love, by disciples who weren't seeking their own good, but the good of others.

Our Master humbled Himself, because He knew who He was. That is our Father's heart, that we would be little children. He wants us to return to the innocence that has been taken away from us. His purpose will be accomplished if we seek Him for the grace He can give.

If we receive what Yoneq said, casting off all unbelief, then the tribes will become what they need to be. Somehow to me it is the most humble thing we could do, to acknowledge the truth, casting all away unbelief, and become like a little child.

Baruch – Of the things that I have been thinking about a lot, what Daniel said the other day about an evil and unbelieving heart has been the greatest. Whatever our Father speaks to us is how we must be. To go and take this land, to love, whatever, we have to believe it.

I want to believe in the potential that we have. I also think we have the potential to be more attentive to the flock. One thing we talked about in Yehudah was Attention Deficit Disorder. The reason people can't pay attention anymore is because they weren't paid attention to. A generation is coming forth that wasn't paid attention to and the effects are disastrous. We are called to especially pay attention to the flock. Otherwise we propagate a people who can't pay attention.

If we encourage one another daily, then all of a sudden we are stimulating a people who can pay attention, because they are paid attention to. I don't want it to be a few people in my community who pay attention. When we have a whole community of people who are paying attention to one another, certainly they will be able to pay attention to the people in the world around them.

Nun – Acts 20:28-31 – "Take heed to yourselves... Therefore, watch, and remember..." The first thing he says is to take heed to yourselves and then to all the flock. First it is to us, how we are really hearing our Father, whether we taking it to our own heart. Then it is to all the flock. It is unavoidable, Paul says, that the wolves will arise. But you make sure that you are hearing, responding to the truth, paying attention first, and then the flock will prosper.

I think he is saying, "Watch yourselves" primarily, and not the flock. Watch yourselves first. Then you will be able to watch the flock. You will see when things are creeping in, like different anointings.

Wolves like to eat sheep, don't they? That is why it says they are "not sparing the flock." Our Master spoke of wolves in sheep's clothing. Haven't we done that before, received them? I think we are going to do it a lot in the future unless we really present the gospel to people, and have faith, without doubt, when we baptize them.

How did wolves get in? They don't just come in. They have to be baptized. Also, those who are inside will rise up. He was speaking to the elders from Ephesus. It was about thirty miles from Ephesus where they came to see him.

An overseer is one who sees and watches out after. We are to make sure that no one misses grace. We are to do this on a daily basis. Also, in our teaching and speaking in the minchah, as Heb 12:15, we are to see to it that no one misses grace. How does it read?

A Bitter Root

Heb 12:15 – 'Looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled..."

A bitter root grows up and defiles many. Does Pesach have a bitter root? Did we take heed that he wouldn't have one? I guess he had a charge or accusation against the whole Edah. I don't really understand that someone could have that and leave, as if there was no salvation. He has certain charges. I don't think anyone can be excused from leaving the ship. The ship is headed towards the other side, where salvation is (Mt 24:13). Regardless of how bad the situation is on board, it doesn't justify them leaving the ship. They can never excuse themselves for leaving the Edah.

"They didn't listen to me. I tried to tell them this and that..."

If he had received the Holy Spirit he would have been able to forbear with his brothers. He will justify his jumpin g overboard. This is what I don't understand. He will probably say things against David and Alon, but that doesn't justify him leaving. I am sure they are not here to run off the sheep, are they? Telling them to jump off the ship?

I think he wants the elders to apologize to him. I want you to see where you are wrong. But does he have any credibility to say that if he jumps overboard?

Nun – It goes beyond the leaders to his faith in our Father.

Sho'er – What I have always heard is always submit to authority, never divide, and don't forget Rom 8:28. It is not only that you have forgotten Rom 8:28; it is that you are no longer loving Him.

Shoresh – The faults of the leaders are bringing out his rebellion. They can apologize and you will watch, his rebellion will come out again.

That is right. You can see that in the example of Moshe. Yachin and Savav will be coming and they will be Pesach's advocates. But are they objective or subjective advocates? They are kind of caught up in a family thing.

Of course the leaders weren't perfect. Of course we reprove leaders when they are tyrants, destroying the sheep. I don't think they are wolves, but we have had leaders who were wolves. I certainly don't think David ben B'rith is a savage wolf, or Maqor, or Alon. *They are just as saved as our Master is*, although not just as perfect. Then Pesach, we don't know whether he is saved or not.

Aharon in California, the accusations just piled up against him. He is learning to be more gentle and kind. He is learning not to be threatened. We are not supposed to be threatened by anything. We are having a meeting tomorrow.

I remember pleading with our Father to take everything out of my heart that wasn't of Him. From that moment on I was set apart. I pleaded with Him to do that in my heart. Christianity tolerates those things. They can't distinguish what is of Him and what is of the world and so they wage war.

Some of our children, the very thing they do when they leave is they go and do exactly what they wanted to do all along. They pierce their ears. They have their hair standing on edge or they shave it off. They might look at such people in the world when they are out on an evangelistic event and say, "That is disgusting," but the first thing they give themselves to is that. They are like pigs in of their love of the world. A pig goes back to wallowing in the mire (2 Pet 2:22). They were never converted.

Sho'er – Those who are of the world do the things of the world. It is where your connection is, your longing is. Pesach, if he is of the truth, will hear our Master's voice. He says, "I know My own, and My own know Me." That is why we can trust our lives to one another. There is no looking into your eyes and wondering, "Are you a wolf or a sheep?"

There is no alienation or suspicion of that nature. We know we are not going to run out on one another. We can predict each other's behavior. There are no Judases among us. I imagine after he left, they were saying to one another, "I remember this, how he kept the money..."

That is why we are together and the Father can begin the race with us and establish the nation. AMEN!

Speaking at the Minchah – Seeing One Another's Hearts

Also, that is why when we speak at the minchah. It is very difficult to be able to trust anyone whom you never hear anything from at the minchah. You just cannot trust someone whom our Father can't use as His voice. That is why we can trust one another. We can bond to one another through what we say as we hear our Master's voice in one another's words; we hear each other's hearts.

David ben B'rith – **At the minchah, we let ourselves be known. We tell ev** eryone where we are, what our faith is, and where our heart is. They can hear who it is we trust, who we rely on, where our faith is and where we are going. And you can trust such a person because you are going the same way.

You can almost discern someone who is contrary. We have to be able to discern the spirit of contrariness. You can see that in certain people. You don't know whether they are receiving, whether they have a different mind than you, whether they think they know more than you.

Sehyah – And it is not as if that discernment is coming out of a vacuum. You have seen those things in that person's lives before.

Sho'er – I have tried to understand why we can't trust someone whom we don't hear at the minchah. It is because of 1 Pet 2:9 and Pr 17:17. You don't have the confidence they are allied in the same cause as you. You are not hearing that gratitude coming out of them, that energizing power of the Holy Spirit that He gives to those who are grateful to be part of His people. Something comes forth from that person, whether he is a gifted speaker or not. Then you hear someone speak and your heart leaps. You know you are on the same boat on the same seas, whether they are rough or smooth.

Emet – I am so thankful for what I heard from Nahaliel about not having a token relationship with our Master. I want to be moved when I get out of bed in the morning and I want to find our Father.

Israel – I was really thankful for what I have been hearing about being a child and for what Nahaliel has said as well. Someone who has a token relationship actually knows what our Father really wants. It just won't be enough if we don't have a relationship with our Father *if* we are to care about other people's lives. To pay attention to someone is really costly. But if you have something that isn't costly, it is also not worth anything. I want to be utilized, not latent potential.

Kinetic versus Potential Energy

Nehemiah was talking about the potential energy that is sitting in the lake. As it goes over the waterfall, it doesn't turn into kinetic energy until it hits the turbine and all that energy is put to use. We don't want our latent energies and abilities lying dormant, unused, within us. The minchah is going over into the turbines. It is giving energy all day.

David Zerubbabel – I know what I heard when Yoneq spoke that. I thought of our Master's words, "...to whom much is given, much will be required." I don't want to waste time looking back, licking my wounds. I want to give my whole heart. I don't want to disappoint our Father.

Daniel – Keli showed me the turbine. I saw it sitting there still and I wanted to turn that handle and produce that energy. As Yoneq was sitting there talking, he said something very objective. "Here we are, the ones who have been chosen to reconstitute Israel."

We are here to get the energy. You can see the potential of Tribal Trading. I want with all my heart to see the nation established. It all comes back to what we hear. We have to call out to our Father for the grace to be that energy that is going to bring about Israel. I don't want to disappoint our Father. He is longing for this with all of His heart. It is everything that our Master gave Himself for to see this energy put into practice, to be the light of the world.

Zakaryah – It is necessary for us to guard our communion with our Father and then the sheep. Our children will do a lot, but if we don't care for them, they won't do it. I was trying to figure out what youth like him feel like when others leave. He said such youth like the social life but when it comes to the spiritual life, they don't like it because their parents haven't put it into them. This is what is necessary to care for all the flock.

Maqor – Sometimes you see people in the world getting hurt or hurting others and I wonder how can they be at

that place and not be affected inside of themselves. From my early child I saw people being beat up in school and it always hurt me to see this. I am thankful for what we have been hearing. It causes me to know that our Father doesn't want to hurt anyone. It is in His nature to be good and kind.

No one on earth has ever been hurt the way our Master had been hurt. When our Father saw this...

We have heard many things, words that have cut us because of the hurtful ways in us. But I hate those hurtful ways. I don't want to hurt my friends, my wife, and my brothers. I want to receive what is being said here. I know if I am in communion with my Master, I won't do that. I will love my Master, wholehearted, as Nahaliel described being in communion.

Malak – What we read in Heb 3 spoke to me a lot. What I see is that I have ADD, a great one. There is something in me, when Yoneq spoke in the beginning, I could barely believe it. It is a hindrance to me. I don't believe it about myself. Then I read in Heb 3:16, who provokes Him when they have heard? Am I provoking our Father? Will my body be laid down in the wilderness because I do not believe what I am hearing? I don't want to be that way. I want to be one who will unite faith with what I have heard. Some thing needs to rise up in me to obey. We are going to bring about a nation.

Wise and Foolish Virgins

Only a few had not stained their garments in Rev 2 and 3. The warnings were there. Like Nun said, the opportunities were there. Whoever has an ear let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. Our Father is not through with us until we totally harden our hearts. So, lets be those wise virgins. There are going to be five foolish and five wise. We cannot say that parable is exactly how it is going to be, whether it is exactly 50% wise and 50% foolish or not, since it is a parable. It is our responsibility to warn the sheep and to speak about Him. The foolish virgin will say, "I am not going to change, that is how I am."

Let's be the wise virgins. Let's make everyone into wise virgins. Do you think we can do that? Do you think He wants us to try?

Shoresh – I appreciated seeing this man's property. What really started affecting me was when we started walking down that street and the fire station was on the right. He said, "I grew up over there and my mother went to school for eight years in that house. My grandfather used to live over there." It was hard not to marvel at the work. He could have done it in Boston and made a whole lot more money, but he was obviously bonded in that place in his hometown. The reason people go to war and fight for their country is for places like this. You could tell in that man that there was something deep there. But that is gone and those days are gone. People are from who knows where, from everywhere. 750,000 Americans work at Wal-Mart. They don't work at the places their fathers and grandfathers worked at. It is all gone.

I was very thankful to hear Yoneq share his heart about how we started. It is worth fighting to maintain that because I love the life that has come out of it. I know that the first thing that we heard this week really cut me. I know I have confessed this before about being a little child. The reason I don't hear is that I am not childlike. A lot of times it is not comfortable to hear what is wrong with us.

Little children bounce back. Then you came that point in your life where if you couldn't do it just right, so you stopped doing it. I know that in order to hear, that lack of childlikeness has to be put away from us. It is not easy. It is not because I am hanging onto my life. I gave it up. There are certain things in me where I am not willing to be bad at, to make a thousand mistakes.

We have something to fight for, like that little village. I am thankful that we have each other in the face of the forces that come against us. I want to fight against the things that come against me.

Sehyah – What Yoneq described happening to him, that our Father would take away anything that would separate him from our Abba... well, our Abba did it. It is an amazing example of the way our Father is. He will do everything. We just have to ask Him. We don't have because we don't ask. Whatever good thing we want, all we have to do is ask Him for it. It may take our Abba some time to answer us, because He has to untangle us. He knew we would ask in the first place. I want my revelation of what our Father is like to increase. Just by seeing that little bit I can see that He is wonderful.

Introduction to Musical Topics

We have to be able to name what highbrow or classical music is. Just because something is good for the nations don't mean that it is good for us. Certain kinds of things we have fallen into in the past we no longer want to do so in the future. But just because something is music of the nations doesn't make it evil Some kinds go over the boundary into evil, like rock and roll. National music, like Celtic music, was nice, lively, but we didn't allow it to take over, although it could have.

It would almost have liked to, but it didn't. However, we don't condemn that whatsoever. We even have our own dancing. In the beginning we copied it from the Jews. We want our own songs, dances, and music. It will make the Jews jealous since they are getting more and more worldly in their music. I am thankful our Father is giving us more and more discernment in what is pleasing to Him (Eph 5:10).

The Maté Factor

Our little café in Manitou Springs is named the Maté Factor. We need many drinks. We need this one. (We sampled an interesting maté drink.) We are introducing it to the USA. No one else is like us. We will be able to start promoting maté. It is called, "The Maté Factor, a Common Ground Café."

Nahaliel – This (an energy drink in a small plastic vial) is sold in every truck stop and café in Brazil. In Brazil, coffee is not an issue. We create the hype. "Is that the stuff? Hey, it's upstairs."

Mevaser – Everybody knew that Yadutan had "the goods."

Nahaliel – When I came to the US, I didn't drink coffee. When we started not drinking coffee, I found out it was a stimulant. We used it to stay awake at the café, just as I had used it in college. Then the hype came in somehow, and the coffee became an issue. If the guarana does become an object of hype, then that is how it will come to our children.

Is it bad? I thought it was in the health food stores. I would not have you drinking anything bad.

Nahaliel – I wasn't saying it was bad. I was thinking of the hype.

Baruch – Bottling little vials like this is a pretty complicated matter. Without the right equipment, it can get very difficult.

Israel – Can you get a contractor to do it?

Baruch - Yes, that could be a very practical way to do it. It would be better for Naftali to ship extract to us and for us to get it bottled up here.

Nun – We found that bottling was a much faster way to serve the public at the Olympics, etc.

Not Showing Partiality

(We discussed Ne'eman's situation with his son and Zadok's family in Hamburg.)

We can't show partiality at all. If we do we are through. Whose sons were killed? Aharon's. Moshe told him not even to weep for them. We will be disqualified if we show partiality to our kinfolk. Maybe we can write something up so we can show our children these things.

Don't think that the way you see things as a relative doesn't affect you. It will! But you have to be able to judge it. It is a destructive spirit. That is why the parents bring a rebellious child to the elders to be stoned. They will pollute the whole Body if they don't. Hakam allowed it. He did not obey Dt 21:18-21. Right now Zebulun had such a terrible influence on Hananiah. Zebulun has taken off.

Keli – He knew Zebulun was leaving.

Daniel – He lied to his abba when he asked him where Zebulun was.

I know Hakam is working very diligently with his son. Keturah is about ready to repent. Hakam and his son will live separately from the rest of the people sent down there. All the people from Benyamin who have been sent out may have to come back to Chattanooga. It is obvious that if the parent doesn't turn the rebellious child over to the elders the judgment is on the parents. That is the only way the parents cannot be sent away also.

Ha-emeq – We just have this evening to finish up about Tribal Trading. Tomorrow most of us will load up to go back to Lancaster to discuss music, starting tomorrow night.

Baruch – Now we know the type of transactions we will face. If those are the kinds of things that can be addressed here, great. It would be good if we could set the date when we meet again tonight.

Remember, we are just developing right now. When Keli works with someone in Canada, it is about a thousand

miles away from our brothers in Winnipeg.

Keli – If it were closer, then the brothers in Gad could be my brokers.

Ha-emeq – There will always be little things like that coming up.

Let's take Yonah as an example. Where does he go to get his shoes in Spain?

Ben Yadah – We buy almost all of our material in Spain. We buy one kind of shoe from Spain. In Shimon there is no kind of shoe industry, so there is no one to negotiate for us. When there is, we will pass our shoe purchases on to them. We look for material.

When we speak we are speaking of how we will develop over the next several years.

Haggai – You have to be on top of things.

Aharon – What do I do if I need to buy something from the tribal area of Manasseh?

How do you do it now?

Aharon – I call them up and do business with them directly.

You would continue to do that now, but in the future they would have brothers doing those things in Manasseh, and they would do them for you.

David ben B'rith - Right now there are at least three tribes that buy cork foot beds from Germany. I doubt if any of them are going through our brothers in Germany. I let them know that we would like to go through them. In the future, they will set up a situation that will facilitate all three of our tribes.

Nahaliel – If you have a heart to support what is happening, then whatever it is practical, you will do it through those brothers. Right now it seems like it is way too small for you to think about it. But if you keep your heart fixed on this, when you grow, you keep in contact with the tribe, and in time they will buy them and you will buy them from them.

Ha-emeq – Seamstresses, when they see these things he is talking about, will want them. It is high quality and others will want them when they are brought to the table. There are all kinds of things like that. They are important to Aharon, but they would be nice to so many.

Baruch – What we will see as we grasp the concept is that we want to throw all kinds of things onto the table. We will come together at the table and say something like, "Issachar wants to sell us honey. Let's all buy honey from them."

When we see how much that helps them, we will look at the table in a whole new light. We will want to participate.

Emet – It seems like it would be good to have a catalogue. Bringing that in opened up a whole new realm for me.

Baruch – It would be helpful to go back to discussing what each tribe can put on the table.

Products from the Tribal Area of Naftali

- Maté
- Guarana
- Brown sugar

Nahaliel – Actually, it is pure, whole squeezing of the cane that is boiled down. It has no vitamins but it is full of minerals. It is a dangerous product if you over consume it. This is actually habadura sugar, but is still not as good for us as honey, because honey doesn't cause us cavities. If you bake honey, you destroy any of the vitamin content in it, but it has other beneficial qualities.

Ha-emeq – This sugar has gone through the process that maple syrup has gone through, only it has gone on to sugar.

Nahaliel – It does have a flavor and is not so good in tea. It will cause cavities. Honey won't. It is good for use in baking, since it won't lose its qualities when heated. We don't have sweet breakfasts except for Sabbath morning. We use this for Friday night dark maté. This is better than buying cheap honey for baking. Whatever you want the community to be like, it is going to be like.

Ha-emeq – Zukerruben is a very good sweetener.

Sho'er – There is another sweetener out there that doesn't affect your blood sugar.

Honey is the only form of sweetener that the Bible says is *good*.

Nahaliel – If it is raw honey, it has antiseptic qualities.

Ha-emeq – It has been proven that honey doesn't cause cavities. There is a new study out on it.

We were talking about an overseer of Tribal Trading. I don't think you can function without a head. Maybe you could explain a little about it. Will the tribal heads select a head?

Baruch – Right now the head of Tribal Trading is really ha-emeq.

She is the initiator.

Baruch – As it grows the need for what he is talking about is going to grow. The most precious thing of this table which has to be protected at all costs, causing division, destroying the united front, is that these brothers put the nation first. It will be destroyed if they start to consider their own tribe first. The nation has to be their first priority. The head, the overseer, will protect that. Where will he come from?

Every industry is the industry of the elders. The Tribal Trading Company belongs to the tribal heads, the elders of the nations, so to speak. The overseer has to be one whom the tribal heads trust can represent the interests of the twelve heads, who represents the whole nation. I don't know if there is time for that now, but the time will come.

In Sus there was some conflict between two brothers. We said it was better that we would protect the unity of the tribes ahead of the unity within the tribe. We could work out the differences between brothers in the tribe, but if the tribes divide, we are finished. You could imagine how it would run like wildfire through the tribes. Whether we would be legally divided, our Father would know it, and He couldn't protect us anymore. I am sure to some extent that it is hidden from us what we are doing here. We barely realize that it is going to put Satan into the abyss for a thousand years, bring our Master back, establish His Kingdom on earth, etc. He didn't chose, like Paul said, the absolute greatest. We actually love one another. We are open to one another.

Sin is the only alienation. If one is harboring sin there is alienation between one who is not in sin and one with sin. There is no alienation between two brothers in sin. We have to be without sin, meaning that we have confessed our sins.

Israel – We are looking towards what is going to help our brothers and sisters. Pr 31:10 and forward – an excellent wife (the bride of Messiah)... her husband is known in the gates. Ha-emeq has been representing the bride of Messiah in her work with Tribal Trading.

Ha-emeq is not going to be known as the head. I am her head. She is just the initiator.

Trash Pickup

Surely we have sextons and trash pickup at each house. We have to keep up with the landscaping. Also, we have to have in every clan someone set aside to do first aid. If we don't have someone like this we will just take people to the hospital when we don't have to. We would like everyone to know what to do in the case of emergency. I don't know how to implement these things, although we are doing something in Yeh u dah.

Shoresh – They are not set apart but we are training people more and more.

What does EMT mean? (Emergency Medical Technician). What is it for?

Yoceph – When someone is in an accident they know the first things to do.

Actually, there should be no reason to send people to the hospitals for broken bones if we have people who know what to do and if it is not too bad.

Aharon – Straight tea tree oil has helped my toothaches go away.

Nun – It has probably killed the bacteria.

Let's go back and try to put these things into practice. Do we have groups of sextons when we have clusters of houses together? Everyone has a box in their house and everyone is able to put suggestions in that box. Then everyone has a part in that, giving his or her opinion as to what needs to be fixed. This is what we want to put into each house in every community. In Manasseh people see us picking up trash and they defend us. We don't do it just to be seen, but we don't want to live in trashy areas.

If you don't do trash pickup, move out of your community. If you can't have se xtons, move out of your house. Every place we used to go in pursuing communities we would see trash, broken screens and horrible conditions in the house, so we knew God didn't live there. We tried to keep our back yard clean. That is why we have council so we won't neglect one thing to do the other. If you want the messengers to walk in your community, you had better have sextons.

- Sextons
- Walking
- Picking up trash
- Oral Reports

We will be blessed if we do these things.

Some people are totally negative about these things, not trusting our Father about them. I am just waiting for our Father to take action about it, because I can't force people to do anything. If you love your children and our Master, have your people do oral reports. Hannah LeBlanc was about seventy years old and fearful of doing oral reports. But she did it and then again and soon she had overcome her fear of public speaking.