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The Most Difficult Thing

2 Tim 1:10 — Life and immortality are brought to light through the gospel. Our Master was a Lamb slain before the foundation of the world. Our Father knew what He had to do in order to redeem man (2 Tim 1:9; Rev 13:8 NKJ).

The Word says that we have to bring the gospel to the light, to the forefront. It is the hardest thing for our Father to redeem man as a witness to give hope to the world. It is harder than the creation of the universe. In order to be a witness we have to represent Him. He is one, therefore we also have to be one. All true believers are one. We have to produce the fruit of the Kingdom.

Jn 13:34-35 — Our Master said that if we love one another, then all will know that we are His disciples. He expects Israel to be a witness. Old Covenant Israel never celebrated the Year of Jubilee. There were always tribal wars, idol worship, and their children went haywire.

It is hard to redeem man. Our Master had to die and suffer, going three days and three nights into death. Will the outcome of that be that witness of unity and oneness that shows the light of the gospel to the ends of the world? (Mt 24:14)

The first-century church didn't do it. They left their first love, and as a result, the lampstand was taken out of its place, in every locality. In the restoration of all things there has to be a witness of that love and unity. You never can have unity unless you have love. Love has to be first, then the rest follows. If we have love, then we will pray for our brothers. Christians aren't in unity. There is no love to lay down their lives for their brothers.

We Are Not Empty-Handed

An *esoteric* movement consists of an enlightened minority, like a special class or priesthood which has special knowledge and enlightenment. The opposite is an *exoteric* movement, which means that everyone is included. We have to be an *exoteric* movement in order to bring the gospel to light. That means that everyone speaks, and no one comes empty-handed to the gathering.

If we have confidence and outspokenness, and are not ashamed to pass on what we have learned, then we know that Yahshua is Son over this house. It cannot just be one person speaking. It has to be all of us. We all bring something to the gathering, just as the priesthood of old. They couldn't come empty-handed.

ha-êmeq — When Yônêq said that we don't come empty-handed, I realized that I felt empty-handed on my way here, because I was trying to help the goats because they were sick. I was sitting in there with them, and it was all wet, and the goats were on the ground, and they shouldn't be on the ground because it is wet. I called Yael *[shel Natan]* and asked her what we should do for the goats. She said that goats are not good fighters; they get a little bit sick and then they just die. She said that you really have to encourage them, and stay with them, and give them something to look at. You might be just watching them, and they could just die.

Why did our Master use the analogy of goats and sheep? It seems as if He really differentiates between sheep and goats. I think sheep are more fighters; they aren't just going to give up. They have that something in them that even if they feel really down, they just keep going. I thought that if I just sat in there with the goat, then maybe she would just get up; maybe she would recognize that there is a shepherd that cares for her, so she won't just fall over. I wished I knew about herbs, and if only I were good at this...

Well, one thing I have is our Master Yahshua, and I know that He cares about everything. So I just put my hands on Hailstorm, and I prayed for her. I told her that I really didn't know how to help her, but I know Yahshua. Of course, she doesn't speak my language so she didn't understand what I was saying. I could tell her that I didn't have anything to help her because I really was empty-handed, but I had Yahshua. So I just put my hands on her, and her eyes were closed, and I prayed for her, and then I just left her and came over here.

I don't know whether she will be up and around when I get back. I just thought, I can't feel empty-handed because if we are empty-handed then the world is in trouble. If I think I don't know enough, or I haven't learned enough, or I'm not great enough or smart enough to solve something, then I'm just wasting our Father's time, because I have Yahshua, and I am not empty-handed. When we come here, we cannot be empty-handed people. All that I have, I gave to Hailstorm, which is everything — our Master Yahshua. If He is through with her in this life, that is okay. I can go on. But I learned a lesson. I am not empty-handed, and I will give what I have, which is Yahshua.

I never can read "Andrew's Lamb" without crying. There is something from our Father that makes a man love his animals (Pr 12:10). In the Old Covenant they had to choose the one they loved the most for the sacrifice. In our case it would be Hailstorm. They called her that because she was born in a hailstorm. It has to be the one you love the most, even though you would weep over it. That's what is required. Our Father gave the best. Our Father's people have to do the same thing. We don't have a big flock. We just have three little goats. They provide milk for us and feed us. This gives us just a little hint of how it was.