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Blameless Means not Seized by Anything

Our Father chose Abraham to walk before Him blameless. That is what He chose him to do. That doesn't mean perfect, but it means blameless. We have to come to the place where we are not held captive by any type of iniquity. We have to come to the place where we are not seized by anything. Look in Titus 1 or 1 Timothy 3. If you want to be an elder or a leader, you have to blameless, meaning not arrested or seized in any kind of iniquity that would cause you to be blamed or accused in anything and discredit Messiah.

The particular iniquities from our parents are things we have to judge. We can't be seized by them, which is what the word *iniquity* means. We all have to be blameless as sons of Abraham. We don't immediately become that way, but we progress and prosper. Pr 28:13 is one of the great understandings we have about 1 Jn 1:9. We not only *confess* our sins, but we forsake them and cast them out.

If there is something that has seized us, that has taken control of us in some way, that is going to cause us to blamed. Look at 1 Tim 3:1-5. Don't even let it enter your mind about being an elder or overseer. If you do, you are going to have your own authority and be a potentate or tyrant and are going to get mad if people don't obey you. Paul says this self-elevation is the sin of Satan. Is God leading you to think that way or to become like a little child?

We are becoming like little children. We are in transition to become all that our Father wants us to be in our human personality. If we humble ourselves then in due time He will raise us up if He wants to. He gives grace to the humble to become everything He wants them to be. If we are proud He opposes us. That is one Person you don't want to be opposed by. If you are humble you will be given grace, but if you are proud God will oppose you. We have to be converted as Mt 18:3 says, and it is not an automatic thing to become like a little child. Or it is if we are led by the Spirit.

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If we don't become worthy of him in this way than we are not worthy to reign with Him in the next age. We can't be giving ourselves over to our sins. Abraham had to be blameless, didn't he, as Gen 17:1 says?

"When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Sovereign appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless." (Gen 17:1)

We have to do what Abraham did. That is the first thing an elder has to do and to be. If an elder is not blameless, he can't be an elder. We don't want anyone who is not humble like a little child, to whom the Holy Spirit has not delegated our Master's authority. That would be a terrible, horrible thing and it is happening everywhere except where our Master Yahshua lives. Don't strive to do anything except to outdo one another with love and good deeds. If your brother does not love you, love him anyway. It is really honorable to overlook a transgression instead of taking offense by it and souring up.

A blameless one is one who has nothing upon which the adversary can seize on which to base a charge or accusation. We have to come to the place where he has no more valid accusation but he is routed out and cast down to the earth and has no right to go before our Father with accusations. Then he is done and all of our Master's enemies have been put under our feet, when we walk as Abraham walked. That is what we are called for and are to do. It is our employment and occupation. Be as humble as you can be, but don't try to be humble on your own. "Father, help me to be humble. I don't want to be proud and be opposed. But if I am, oppose me please, I don't want to be proud."

Yedidiah – When you were talking about being humble and our Father can decide whether He wants to use you, I thought it is like the potter. When the clay is formed he can decide whether he wants to use it.

Jeremiah – Being blameless is not having a performance that people can see. I have to be blameless in my own heart and not let some critical spirit in that would seize me and hold me captive. I could walk around and look like I am fine, but I would not be blameless.

Jesse – It really struck me that you said, "Our Master will come back when we walk as Abraham did." That is why He chose Abraham, to have a whole

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people who walked like him, blameless. He never got it. He did get Abraham, but He never got the nation.

I was praying as I was taking a walk this morning that I would have an undying, incorruptible love. Our Father sees every little corner of our lives. He sees every little place that we are in secret where no one else is around. The ways that we are in our lives, in secret, is what our Father sees. That determines whether we are blameless in His eyes. It is not how we are in public, how we can impress people and gain recognition.

Our Father wants a nation of people who are righteous on the inside. Inside they love and don't hate the brother who aggravates them. Abraham was going to sacrifice his own son on the top of that mountain with no one there. We have to have that undying love in our hearts. If it is truly there, we will walk blameless.

Yahshua will come back when the inside is like the outside and the outside is like the inside. I heard this morning that is how Abraham was. He wasn't just a performer.

David Alexander passionately expressed his heart in a good confession, wanting to be saved and washed of all his 27 years in Christianity. We believed him and took him down to the ocean and baptized him. Now he is David Derush.

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