

Totally Contrasting Society

We have the potential to be spiritual beings, to be a totally contrasting society. Christianity gives in. There is no contrast there. They have to come to the light that contrasts everything else. Phil 2:5 says, "Have this mind in you, which was in Messiah."

If we had the same mind as Messiah, there is no telling what would happen. We want to be like that. That would create the contrasting society that we are establishing. We want to bring about the prophecy that has been spoken. We have to have the same mind He did about everything. It is just like Rom 12:3, which says:

For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

Our mind has to be renewed in order to make that contrasting society. Then Rom 12:16 says to have the same mind as one another. We have the same mind as our Master and the same mind with one another. That is what it will take to make that contrasting society. 1 Cor 1:10 also says to be of the same mind as one another. That is our thoughts, feelings, and our dispositions. Did the rocks go when the seed was planted in the soil (of our hearts)? Or did it just fall in shallow soil? If it does, the Word just withers away and we don't progress.

The mind is the sentiments, the opinions, and all the directions, of a way in us. Interests and concerns are the same for those who have the same mind. We can't have the same mind unless we have our Master's mind. There is no way. It is all our perceptions – how we understand and apprehend things. The Spirit teaches us. Just think – if we all had His mind, what would happen?

ha-êmeq – It reminds me of the oppositional thinkers. It was so good what Chanowk shared. He can go to the job and work hard on BOJ. He likes to work hard. But he knows his battle is when things come to him such as what the anointing teaches about food, such as milk. As he told Natan later on, "I want to drink cow's milk." So he has to make sure he's not sitting down on the outside, but standing up on the inside.

I have no way to know what Mattan is thinking right now. There he is smiling at me, but inside he has the power to be in opposition. That is the very thing that could destroy the community.

Your parents have one mind – the mind of Messiah. That is the mind you are to have, Mattan.

ha-êmeq – What our Master needs on the earth is more Kelis. That is why He created you, Mattan. You could think, though, “I want to be myself, my own man,” and turn away from being like your father. But that is what our Father created you for. I know Yedidiah ben Gamaliel saw and really learned about that. The teaching about oppositional thinking really spoke to him.

We have to pray to have the mind of Messiah. Phil 2:2-5 talks about it:

Fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not for his own interests, but for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Messiah Yahshua. (Phil 2:2-5)

It's really talking about not thinking too highly of yourself. It begins with Paul's plea to the Philippians to, “*Fulfill my joy by being like-minded... In lowliness of mind esteem others better than yourself. Have this mind in you which was also in Messiah Yahshua.*”

Keli – Rom 12:3 – If we think more highly of ourselves than others, then we won't be able to recognize our Master in those around us and we won't receive the grace we need from all the members of the Body of our Messiah.

Mathaq – You can't fake being submissive or humble. It goes against everything in the world and everything we learned in the world. It really takes having a humble heart to be submissive, to take that on, to die to what you think is right – that whole way of thinking. To really be humble and submissive, that way is really grace to us. It is grace to us for our Father to humble us and cause things to not work out for us that we would really get it.

Yochanan – People who are self-centered do not like visionaries. That's why when they came they killed the prophets. Maybe only a few thousand liked them. Everyone else hated them. When Yonêq talked about Vista,

vision, having vision and hearing from our Father, I thought it has everything to do with recognizing our Master in those around us (like Keli said) and receiving the grace we need from the other members of the Body.

I used to like chocolate. Then I heard vision about it. I did not like the vision because I was selfish. It wasn't because the vision was bad. If you don't like vision it's probably because there is something evil in you that needs to come out of you. Probably 99% of the world would not like that teaching we had on the Sabbath,¹ but visionaries can see all the way out to the universe. "Self" despises the prophetic utterance. I want to be someone who loves it.

That's what our Master prayed for before He was taken,

I in them, and you in me, that they may be perfected in unity, that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you have loved me. (Jn 17:23)

One heart and one mind – we see the fruit of that in the first-century Edah. They were one heart and one mind. Later, something else entered in and they were not one heart and mind anymore. This now has to be restored on planet Earth. Mattan, you are a restorer. You have to restore that unity and oneness. It starts with your parents, then your brothers and sisters.

Hayeh – That's what brings grace to us, when we honor His name. If we're not one – we're not His. We have no part in His name. You can't separate the body of someone from his name. Christianity claims to still have His name but inside they are a dead body. That body is not who our Master is. The only way His name will be great is by us hearing from one another. It's just like a father and a son. If Mattan is not one mind with his abba, then he should not have his name. He is not taking on his heart. A name is passed on to a true son. A wife takes on the name of her husband, but she can't have his name if she is not one with him. Our Master was the perfect representation of our Father. That is why He had His name. I am thankful we can represent our Master.

That is wonderful... deep. If we can just understand what *mind* means. It is the organ of mental perception – what you perceive and understand when you see something. (*Speaking to Mattan*) The mind is what you apprehend with – take hold of

¹ See *Betrothal – The Spiritual Essence of Marriage* (2003.11.15-T01).

something with. It's like a cat. A cat apprehends a rat. He takes hold of it – takes it in.

The mind is the organ of mental perception or apprehension. We have an anointing and it teaches us all things. It makes us have one mind with the same purpose and intention.

It is amazing what Hayeh said. She taught me something this morning.

Oppositional Thinkers

Yedidyah – It is amazing what our Master taught about perception in Mt 6:22: *“The lamp of the body is the eye; if therefore your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness.”*

He was talking about oppositional thinkers. Some would discern that what He said was good and their whole body would be filled with light. I wonder if Judas let oppositional thinking fill him until his whole body was full of darkness. I am thankful we can let our Master fill us and that we can see what He is trying to do on this earth.

It is so wonderful that the power of the flesh can be rooted out of my life! Our Master had a different perspective on things. He came to teach us to see differently. The whole Body can have His mind and be filled with light.

There were no oppositional thinkers in the first Edah in Jerusalem. Then something came up and divided the Body as it warns against in 1 Cor 1:10,

I exhort you brothers, by the name of our Sovereign Yahshua ha Mashiyach, that you all agree and there be no divisions among you, but you be made complete in the same mind and in the same judgment.

There is not supposed to be any division there – one heart, one way. It's a great test. Can our Master be divided? No, He can't, not the real Messiah.

Mattan, what did you learn today?

Mattan – I learned that if we all have different minds it will destroy the Edah. I don't want to destroy the Edah.

Yael – Having the mind of Messiah creates the contrasting society. What we heard on the Sabbath – if we do that we are going to be that contrasting society. It is like a potter who has some clay to work with. If the clay is soft and pliable he can use it. It is the same with our Father. I

want to be one who is submitting to those over me so that our Master can use me.

Shalem – It used to never be heard of children not respecting their parents, or a wife not taking on her husband's name. Now you need to be your own person. We're going in a polar-opposite direction, even to submit to someone, who in our eyes is not the greatest. We can't think we have the same mind as Messiah if we are not submitting to all our brothers and sisters. It is easy to submit to someone I think is important, but it's not the same with the least. I am thankful to be learning what true submission is and that I can learn to submit to those around me.

Chets Barur – Oppositional thinkers have the same spirit you see in little children when they argue with one another, or with you. I have had conversations with adults like that and even been an oppositional thinker myself. It's like someone jabbing you. They cut you off. It tears down the Body. Sometimes they even say they agree with you, but they just like to argue.

It is called being "the devil's advocate." That is the actual term used in the world.

Chets Barur – I knew someone when I was younger who was an oppositional thinker. Some of the youth thought this person was really great, highly original, someone to copy or emulate. Really he was speaking from the evil one. He's not here anymore.

It has been that way in certain meetings in the past. Someone would suggest something and immediately someone would contradict it, and nothing would get done due to the oppositional thinkers.

It was wonderful what we heard today. I think if you had time, you could write some things down. I was just thinking all along, "We have it, we have it! It is going to other people – other tribes – the Intertribal News."

We have to be a contrast to this evil world. Do you know what *contrasting society* means? Mattan, do you know what *opposition* means?

Mattan – When you say something and someone else comes against what you're saying.