

Cultic¹

The farthest thing from the true meaning of *cult* is Christianity with all of its divisions. It can never live up to the meaning of the word *cultic*.² To be *cultic* is to have a reverential homage to the Supreme Being (the God of Abraham). The “cult of beauty” was an ancient obsession with beauty in nature, as the most vivid image of the truth. Only a cultic relationship with the Divine Being, Yahweh, does Him justice. A cult is totally devoted to Yahweh.

The cult of Yahweh is the only environment where one can be cultivated and conformed to His culture, which is the only and most vivid image of God Himself — being one as the Father and the Son are one (Jn 13:34-35; 17:10,11,21-23) — as the cult in Acts 4:32 is the most vivid picture of the truth (Jn 18:37).

Only in a cult of the same Spirit as was imparted to the believers on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:36-47) can the most vivid expression of the truth be found on earth. Only there, where He is (Jn 12:26), can we serve Him. Only there can we care for others and be cared for. Only there can we lay down our lives for one another, loving one another as He loved us.

A cult is Acts 2:44-45.

A cult is Mk 10:17-21,28-30.

A cult is Lk 14:26,33.

A cult is Jn 13:34-35.

A cult is Jn 14:15,21.

A cult is Phil 2:2-4.

A cult is Eph 4:2-3.

¹ This teaching is kind of “tongue-in-cheek,” not suggesting that we would actually call ourselves a *cult*, but just making the point that the true people of God are wholly devoted to Him.

² *Cultic* — having attentive care; giving homage or worship; giving intense devotion to a deity (from a Latin word meaning: *to cultivate*).

A cult is Mt 6:33 (as opposed to verses 31-32).

So to be all we are to be in Him we must belong to His cultic “house of prayer for all people” — a cultivated culture where all are cultivated to be worthy of the Kingdom. *Cultivate* is to bestow labor and attention upon, to promote growth, as to devote oneself to the advancement or development of one another to foster growth in every aspect of the personality (Eph 4:15).

Culture is the product of being devoted to one another and being in love with our Master, obeying His commandments (Jn 14:15,21), while 1 Cor 16:22 describes all of Christianity because they are not engaged in a cultic relationship with the One they call Jesus (1 Jn 2:4).

So are we a cult? Do we belong to a cult? If we don't, then we are not in love with our Master Yahshua, not entirely devoted to Him, for only there can we serve Him and be honored by His Father (Jn 12:26). But to belong to His cult one must first hate his own life in this world, and to do that, one must be in a cult.

A cult is where the zeal of His house consumes all of our time and energy, our whole life and being. A cult is where we serve our Master where He is (Jn 14:3; 12:25-26) by the strength He supplies (1 Pet 4:11).

There can be no such thing as to be in an evil cult of Yahshua, for there is no true cult that is evil, for it is the beauty of the most vivid expression of the truth.

You may say you belong to a church, but what is a true church but a cult? A true church is a community, an *edah*, a witness of the truth (Jn 18:37). All who are of the truth hear His voice.

A cult is the Body of Messiah.