

My Salvation to the Ends of the Earth

Isa 56:1-2 — *Blessed is he who keeps the Sabbath...* The Sabbath will be restored to the twelve tribes of Israel before Messiah returns. The Sabbath is being restored to us, right now. That is one of the reasons we know we are *the restoration of all things* (Act 3:21). Therefore the Sabbath must be being kept before “*My salvation*” — our Master Yahshua — returns.

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Sovereign, the righteous Judge, will give... to all who have loved His appearing. (2 Tim 4:6-8).

Paul was looking forward to a *crown*, one for which he labored and strove — a crown of deliverance. So, since he said “*which the Sovereign will give me,*” you could say he had been delivered. He had overcome all things, and had *loved His appearing*, as all overcomers do, not dreading His appearance in any way. Overcomers are looking forward to it. *Crown of righteousness* means a crown of deliverance, of rectitude. To make righteous means to rectify; to set things straight; to amend.

Paul said *a crown of righteousness*. We can misunderstand this word, *righteousness*, but the crown is everything we are striving for in the Spirit. We wear our diadems in anticipation of that crown, which will be presented to all who overcame (Mt 25:21). We live in anticipation of that crown, not that we will necessarily wear a real, material crown, but the spiritual *crown of righteousness*.

There are so many places in the Scriptures which speak of *salvation* and *righteousness*. *My righteousness* is synonymous with *My salvation* in Isa 56:1. There are two uses for the word *salvation*:

My Salvation or *His Salvation* is *yeshua* (Isa 49:6; 56:1)

“*I AM*” *Salvation* is the man, the person *Yahshua*.

The Jews call him *Yeshua*, which means *His salvation*. Isa 49:6 says that we, the twelve tribes of Israel, we will be *His salvation* (*yeshua*) to the ends of the earth. *Yeshua* is the result of *Yahshua*, the person.

Even the Deadheads started calling us the *Yahshuas*, and that was right, in a way. I know we shouldn't take His name in vain, but the way they said it wasn't sarcastic or derogatory. Their testimony about us was in a popular magazine called "*High Times*." They wrote about us as a group of *Yahshuas*, and that is who we want to be like. We are *Yahshuas* in the sense that we are "*My Salvation to the ends of the earth*" (Isa 49:6). *His Salvation is His Deliverance*. We have to set straight, rectify, and make right all things, just as Yochanan Abraham is doing in his book¹ about Chamites and slavery.

ha-êmeq — "*Saviors will come out of Zion*," it says in Ob 1:21. They will have diadems, because they are rulers. You can't imagine a king waking up and thinking, "*What do I want to do today? Maybe after breakfast I'll watch TV awhile, play some racquetball, and go swimming...*" That would be so self-centered. A crowned king is living his whole day concerned for his kingdom. He will fall in bed at night, spent from using every ounce of his energy.

If I were deciding who should be President of the United States, first I would find out how much time he spends in front of a TV, what sports he plays, even how much time he spends in the bathroom making sure he looks nice. What type of person do you want to rule over you and your country? Someone who won't have time to do it, who's too busy thinking about himself?

How selfish it is to think about what *you* want to do. There is no time for that in our life. You do have to brush your hair and be presentable, but after that, all your faculties are engaged in making a home for the lonely, doing our Father's will, His business. There is no time for anything else. For a ruler wearing a diadem, thinking about what *you* want to do and what *you* enjoy is sin.

There are so many related references to the *salvation* and *righteousness* which Yahweh will cause to *spring up before all nations* (Isa 61:10-11). Who is He talking about? Then our Father goes on to say in Isa 62:10, "Go out, go out!" The entire chapter describes everything we are doing. "The people" means the *nations*, and in verse 11, "to

¹ *Setting All Things Straight*, by Yochanan Abraham.

the ends of the earth” is speaking of the same thing as Isa 49:6 — His salvation is coming, His reward is with Him, and His work is before Him. This is all talking about *US*.

And they shall call them the holy people, the redeemed of the Sovereign; and you shall be called sought out, a city [community] not forsaken (Isa 62:12).

Our Father doesn't want to desert us, though if we desert Him, He has to “desert us” in a way, for a time, so that we will seek Him. We don't have Him anymore if we forsake Him, so He will forsake us.

So we'll finally come to a place where we are *a city*, which is a *community*, of course. A city has people all doing their different parts, and all of its facilities functioning as a body. That is why it is called a *city not deserted*, as David told Solomon (1 Chr 28:9). So who would that people be in *the very end of days*? Who would be that *holy people*, whom Yahweh has *sought out, and redeemed, and cared for*, and are never *forsaken*?

We are that city. Our Father is saying that each one of us is sought out, *Derushah*, desperately needed. He never has had that city. He had to forsake old Israel, and He forsook the first church because He had to. He wants us to be that *city not forsaken*, but He can forsake us if we forsake Him, if we don't continue to be *with* Him.

I found a book in a thrift store that is all about Christian athletes and stars who profess that they “did it all through Jesus.” It will really help us formulate a freepaper. The writer inserted footnotes trying to make his point. Here is one footnote:

Not everybody does the same thing in the church. Some preach, some keep records, some teach Sunday school, change diapers, take up collection or welcome members, some do Thursday night visitation...

I would add that everyone else sits in his own pew, looking at the backs of each other's heads. You can know for certain that all Christians can see in Christianity about those *good works, prepared beforehand to walk in* (Eph 2:10), is what happens in their church on Sunday. That is all they can conceive of. There is absolutely no connection to a *life*. There is nothing else to do, except what they see every week in church, as far as

“building up the Body of Christ” goes. Even the Boy Scouts were supposed to do three good deeds every day. They don’t have any greater conception of the Body of Messiah.

I’m not trying to condemn them. When he got home from church, my daddy didn’t know what to do to build the Body until the next Sunday or the Wednesday night service. He did do good deeds, though. What else could he do? They can’t do anything that builds the Body up as we do, all functioning in coordination, working together, with each member doing his or her part, everyone doing what they do for others, not for themselves.

Eph 4:16 — *Building up the Body in love* can only be done in a community, which is growing with a *growth from our Father* (Col 2:19). Our Father causes the garden to grow, to bring forth its plants. The seed dies and new life *springs forth*. You can see the whole essence of everything in Eph 2:20-22, which tells us of the place our Father will dwell in eternally by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will dwell in the Body, which is the Edah, *the dwelling place*, which will dwell *among men*, meaning this *dwelling of God* will dwell *among* or *with* the men of the nations.

Rev 21:3 — We are not the *men* it is referring to; we are *the dwelling place of God*, which is dwelling *with men*. No one else understands that “men” refers to men of the nations. Christians think it is talking about God dwelling with “us.” God will dwell *in* us, but we are the dwelling place that dwells “with men” (male and female). So we are being prepared to be that *dwelling place of God*. This is what we are building every day that we live. We’re building His Temple.

Only those who are willing to do His will can and will be able to see. How does faith come to a person? First he sees, then he hears, and then what? He understands. He sees the play, hears the narration, and then understands with his heart (Mt 13:15). Then he turns and is healed.

Nobody knows what *the dwelling place of God* really is, because they don’t see and understand that *men of the nations* will be worthy of a second life, to populate the whole

universe continually. These righteous people had suffered in death (Rev 21:4). *Death will be no more* — hardship will be no more for them, because they suffered in death to pay for their sins. They had enough human worth left in them to pay for their sins. *We will wipe the tears from their eyes.*

Our Master paid for our sins, but they, the people of the nations, have to pay for their own sins in death (Rom 6:23, RSV). He paid for ours. They have to pay for their own sins, and the only way a human being can pay for his sins is in death. But there are some sins which you never can pay for. The people who commit those sins go to the Lake of Fire.