

We Are the Living and True Body of Messiah

I am convinced that we do not fully grasp what it means to not just be in the Body of Messiah but to actually be the Body of Messiah. The Body of Messiah has the authority of Messiah *Yeshua*: *“¹⁸And Yeshua came up to them and spoke to them, saying, ‘ALL authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...’ (Matthew 28:18-19a)”* That means the authority of Deity! Making disciples of all nations (which is Israel’s calling to be a light to all nations) includes making disciples of ourselves, our children, our spouses, our family, our neighbors, our cities, our State and ultimately our Country! Rebbetzin said last week: *“When we speak and declare the Word of Yehovah from our mouth, as the **actual and real** Body of Messiah, thereby declaring & proclaiming the given authority of Yeshua, it **INDEED** releases the Power of the Godhead to **whatever we speak to.**”* James (Ya’akov the brother of *Yeshua*) stated unequivocally: *“¹⁰From the same mouth comes blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, these things should not be. ¹¹A spring doesn’t pour out fresh and bitter water from the same opening, does it? ¹²My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree produce olives, or a vine produce figs? Neither can salt water produce fresh water.” (James 3:10-12).* I am compelled to repeat James’ words to us: *“My brothers and sisters, these things should not be,”* but they are. Since we are responsible for every word: *“³⁶But I tell you that on the Day of Judgment, men will give account for every careless word (idle word, KJV) they speak. ³⁷For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned” (Matthew 12:36-37)”*; Rebbetzin also said: *“Yehovah has given us words to live by and every word we say is a prophetic word having the power to bring life (Adonai’s Word) or death (our own fleshly words or Satan’s words) to **everyone** who hears those words (including our own ears). So, we can curse ourselves and others and Satan’s angels will bring that to pass, or we can bless ourselves or others and Adonai Tzva’ot and His Angel’s Armies will bring that to pass. It will change people, it will change ourselves, kings, kingdoms, and nations. We have been given that authority.”* Therefore, it is Your (and mine’s) Choice! I got this message today listening and taking into my spirit her words of life to us last week. Let us briefly review the Mystery of the Body of Messiah.

Let elucidate further. *Yeshua* placed us in His Body as it pleases Him (*“¹⁸But now God has placed the parts – each one of them – in the body just as He desired... ²⁷Now you are the body of Messiah, and members individually” (1 Cor. 12:18, 27)* because (*“Unless Adonai builds the house, the builders labor in vain...” Ps 127:1*) – and therefore, as Believers, we are all placed into the Body of Messiah. The apostle Paul wrote: *“For just as we have many parts in one body – and all the parts do not have the same function – so we, who are many, are one body in Messiah and everyone parts of one another” (Romans 12:4-5).* The fact is that we did not choose Him – He chose us. It is not up to us to gift ourselves in His service – He gifts us. We are not *like a body* – we *ARE the Body of Messiah*. He gave us the privilege. He did not (and does not) have to use us because, in reality, He does not need us. He could use rocks as easily as He could use you and I – and perhaps rocks would be easier! But He has given us both the *responsibility, privilege, and opportunity* of being used. Let those words penetrate us: **He has placed us in His body. We are the Body of Messiah.**

So, If *Yeshua* desires to: (1) **express tears of compassion** – He uses **our eyes**; (2) **speak words of comfort** – He uses **our mouths**; (3) **extend a helping hand** – He uses **our hands**; (4) **hug someone in need of love** – He uses our arms; or (5) **walk across the street to visit someone** – He uses **our feet**. When He desires to **bless His congregation** with the *Aaronic Benediction*, **he uses me!** In His sovereignty, *Yeshua* has chosen us, **His Body**, to **accomplish His Ministry** on the earth today. You are a part of it and so am I. You have a function, and so do I. We will only be personally fulfilled and successful if we fulfill the function in the Body of Messiah that He has intended for us, individually and collectively. What is a member of His Body to do? How do we as His Body know what to do?

Since I have a purpose in life, I know why I exist. Because I know why I am here, I understand *Adonai’s* purpose in allowing me to be part of His body, and I am greatly fulfilled and happy in His service. People are in unhappy spaces because they are not used in His service like they want to be. *Yeshua* said: *“blessed is the man who gives”* and the more one gives to the Lord, the happier we become/are.

Similarly, the less you give to the Lord, the more frustrated and depressed you become/are. The key to happiness is usefulness, which is being used while you are here in this world in serving the Lord. Today we want to focus on bringing to pass in our space the *Word of Yeshua*. Among these is my favorite ministry Scripture: *"The thief (Satan) comes only to steal, slaughter, and destroy. I have come that they might have life, and have it abundantly! (John 10:10)"* I want to **choose giving life** (to myself and to others), don't you? Since what we say will come to pass, then indeed Rebbetzin was right on target when she exhorted us last week. We are indeed the *Mouth of God*, and I will choose to declare abundant life which includes physical healing, forgiveness, hope, miracles, changing of hearts, changing of circumstances, restoration of relationships, healing of relationships, building up (not tearing down) people (especially the people of God), and releasing and not condemning people since after all, *Yeshua* is the real judge and not ME. Rebbetzin said: *We do not get this*, but we are going to whether you did last week when she said it and led us to pray and repent, or whether today.

She also pointed out that the real Armor of God is the Armor of *Yeshua*. The armor of *Yeshua* is not Roman armor, it is Kingdom Armor. Scripture confirms that *Yeshua* was and is **King, Priest, and Prophet**. Well, the **Body of Yeshua** functions in the very *same realm* with the very *same authority*. Do we get this? We are **kings and priests to serve our God**: *"⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession (am segulah), so that you may proclaim the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9, cf. Exod. 19:5-6 and Isa. 42:6)"*... *"⁹And they are singing a new song saying, 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals. For You were slain, and by Your blood You redeemed for God those from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. ¹⁰You have made them for our God a kingdom and kohanim (kings and priests, KJV), and they shall reign upon the earth'"* (Rev. 5:9-10).

As kings we proclaim edicts with kingly sovereignty when we proclaim **King Yehovah and His Son Yeshua's edicts**. As priests we lead people in the **Worship of Yehovah and His Son Yeshua**. Leading implies our very own participation and involvement in whatever activity we are leading. Do you lead yourself, your family your friends and neighbors (your jurisdiction or your dominion, so to speak) in the **Worship of the King**? As prophets we speak the **Words of Yehovah and His Son Yeshua** which are **Words of Life, Words of Wisdom, Words of Healing, Words of Peace, Words of Repentance, Words that can change spouses, sons and daughters, family, people, ourselves, all other earthly kings, earthly kingdoms, and nations**. We have been called to fulfill the function in the Body of Messiah on this earth and to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to planet earth. I believe we are prepared and equipped to do just that, but only if we answer His call. Can you think of things that you said this week that were not **Yehovah's** words? I can. I am only asking about this week but how about last week, two weeks ago, this year, the last few years, maybe my lifetime? Have I ever spoken with the mouth of *Yeshua*?

I think we need to respond to *Yeshua* and His Father's (*Yah or Yehovah*) bidding today with a resounding Yes and Amen! I need to repent, but so do you! Let us pray and commit to being the **Real and True Body of Messiah Yeshua** starting today, in fact, right now. Our life and future depends on it. **Shabbat Shalom!**