

Intent

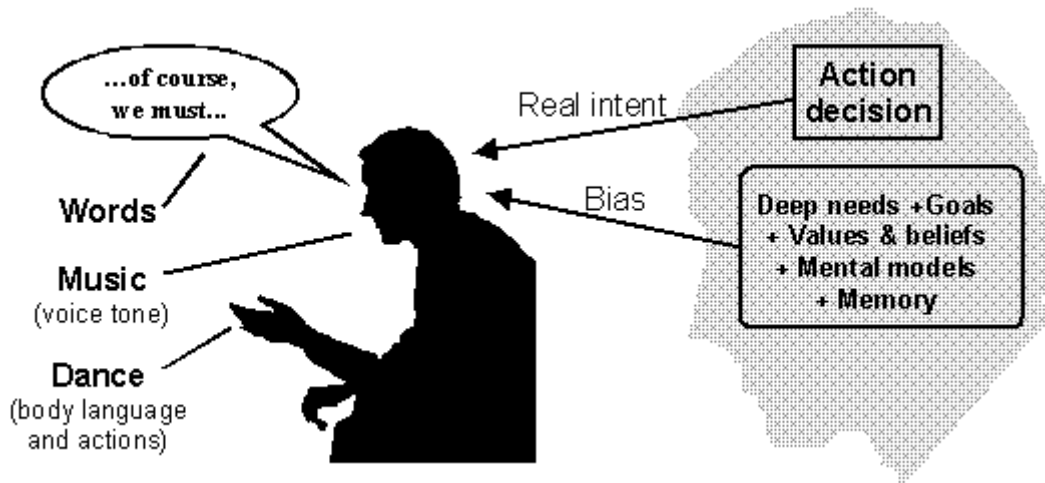
Intent counts for a lot when you speak. Words are only a description, not the thing in itself. Words and the ritual are only a focus or vehicle for your will or intent. Things and people are influenced by the attitude you take when you communicate in thought, word or deed. The focusing of the intent can be aided by the ritual, such as the lifting up of hands or the laying on of hands. If you choose to do a ritual without words, then keep what you want to accomplish in your mind.

"Before speaking, consider the interpretation of your words as well as their intent." (Andrew Alden)

I want you to realize something; our language is a poor medium through which to communicate our real intent. We omit

huge amounts of detail, assuming the other person knows what we are talking about or what we're thinking, even though words mean different things to different people. As a people we are genuinely suspicious about the intent of everyone but ourselves.

When you seek to bless, thank, convince, persuade or otherwise change things, another person's mind, or ourselves the language we use is extremely important. Each word is a little packet of meaning from which others infer understanding. It gets even more complex when words are formed into entire sentences and paragraphs. The more you speak, the more you need to watch your words you are inflicting on others.



The reaction of others to our words, even though those words are repeated syllable for syllable on different occasions, differs precisely according to the intent with which they were spoken. Intent and its meaning can only be experienced.

Bias

Our intent is affected by our bias. Our bias is formed by our beliefs and values. Our bias is programmed into us when we were very young. Words spoken without consideration will always be biased and at least a little accuracy is lost in this way. When we later get better information and rationally change our mind, the bias can still remain and sneak into our communication causing us to appear double-minded. Our spirit may understand the issues but the bias in our mind may not line up with our spirit, and can subtly affect our communications and actions. Watch what you say and to what other people say and listen carefully to them. What they say, how they say it, how they move and what they do.

Case in point Mayor Ray Nagin said January 17th, 2006, Martin Luther King Day, that "Surely God is mad at America. He sent us hurricane after hurricane after hurricane, and it's destroyed and put stress on this country... Surely he doesn't approve of us being in Iraq under false pretenses. But surely he is

upset at black America also. We're not taking care of ourselves." But what most troubled me is what he said next, "It's time for us to come together. I don't care what the people uptown think. It's time for us to rebuild New Orleans...the one that should be a chocolate New Orleans...This city will be a majority African American city. It's the way God wants it to be. You can't have New Orleans no other way. It wouldn't be New Orleans." Describing an imaginary conversation with Rev. Martin Luther King, the late civil rights leader, "I said, 'What is it going to take for us to move on and live your dream and make it a reality?' He said, 'I don't think that we need to pay attention any more as much about other folks and racists on the other side.' He said, 'The thing we need to focus on as a community _ black folks I'm talking about _ is ourselves.'" Mayor Ray Nagin sounded like a cross between Louis Farakan and Willy Wonka!

By January 17th, Mayor Nagin said "I said some things that were totally inappropriate. ... It shouldn't have happened...I was caught up in the moment." He also said that although he spoke to mostly black spectators that was not the forum for such speech. Mayor Nagin said his comments about "God" were inappropriate and stemmed from a private conversation he had with a minister earlier. "I need to be more sensitive and more aware of what I'm saying," he said.

Now Mayor Nagin's bias shows that he religiously believes that his god does not favor a conservative agenda, white inclusion in New Orleans nor US foreign policy and that his view of the perfect society in New Orleans is blacks only. That is racist. If a white politician had stood up and said we need a vanilla society he would have been run out on a rail by other whites. Racial intolerance in any form is unjust. To justify himself he says he should not have said these comments openly. But what he does not realize is every time he speaks on such matters his intent and bias will leak out.

Mayor Nagin might be pandering to the old biases in his nature and the racism of those blacks that surround him but he has new worries. Studies show that New Orleans will be more vanilla than he hopes for. A Brown University sociologist says that if the city's population could only live in undamaged neighborhoods, 80 % of the city's black population wouldn't return. The study also finds that about half of the city's white population wouldn't come back.

The report shows that storm-damaged areas are 75 % black, compared to 46 % black in undamaged areas of the city. The sociologist says that there is a reason for concern that New Orleans "will not be a place for the people who used to live there."

In other words, the people that couldn't find ways of evacuating the city during the storm, now cannot or will not find a way to return? And even if they did, where would they live? Most of those who are returning are the wealthier "uptowners" that are predominately white. Mayor Nagin has offended the very people that could keep him in office. What could have been his intention?

Description of Intent

- 1) It ceaselessly functions within us, and is behind every thought, emotion, decision and action.
- 2) It directs awareness as to how and upon what it will focus.
- 3) Because intent directs awareness and awareness patterns energy as a result, energy follows intent. The act of creation, (manifestation) is the implementation of intent
- 4) Intent is a body-wide consideration sowing up in body language.

Employment of Intent

- 1) Be aware of your current state of body/mind, (this is accomplished through meditation).
- 2) Be familiar with what you're going to say and is it intended?
- 3) Inventory your intent holding it steady in your mind, is this what you mean?.
- 4) Understand intent creates reality in the person it is directed to.

Words contain intent. And intent is power. Everything is about intent. That is where the soul speaks from.

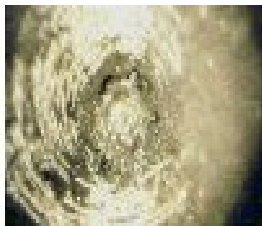
Thursday I was sitting in a hotel room in Houston Texas and I turned on the television to watch the news. The last story of the evening was about an unusual mother and daughter. When the child was 5 years old the doctors found out she had stage 4 cancer. The mother was told she did not have long to live. So the mother took her best friend and went down to the hospital chapel. There she cried out to our Heavenly Father, "Father, heal my baby, don't let her die. Take the cancer and put it on me!"

As she returned to the daughter's hospital bed, the little girl was sitting up in bed plying with her dolly. Over the next few days, months and years she continued to show signs of recovery.

As the mother cared for her ever-growing daughter, she became tired and she noticed a yellow paler to her skin. She went to the doctors and after several tests they informed her she had stage 4 liver cancer and it was only a matter of time.

The mother lived long enough for the doctors to declare that the daughter was now cancer free. This little mother sacrificed her life for the life of her daughter. Before she died she asked her best friend to please explain to her daughter how much she loved her. At the graveside the daughter asked the friend, "Why did she have to die?" The friend said, "To give you life." Now, that's pure intentional love.

Dr. Emoto's Finding of Intent



To the left the water molecule was told – "You Fool!" To the right the water molecule was told, "Thank you very much." In other words, given a blessing.



In his book, "*The Hidden Messages in Water*," noted Doctor of Alternative Medicine, Dr. Masaru Emoto found that water, the most primitive of source material reacted to intent. He said, "Water is reacting to the actual words (with intent). For example, for our trip to Europe we tried using the words "thank you" and "you fool" in German. The people on our team who took the actual photographs of the water crystals did not understand the German for "you fool," and yet we were able to obtain exactly the same kind of results in the different crystal formations based on the words used."

Then he did an experiment where he focused his intent farther and farther from the water until he was clear across Japan and the water was still affected. Again listening to Dr. Emoto's findings. "...from that experiment, distance did not seem to matter. The intention and prayers of the person still influenced the water. We have not yet tried further experiments from a long distance. However, my feeling is that distance would not make much of a difference. What would make a difference is the purity of intent of the person doing the praying. The higher the purity of intent, the less of a difference the distance itself would make.

In the first experiment done Dr. Emoto took a cup of pure water from a spring. He kept the water in a very cold room just above freezing using a technique employing a very powerful microscope along with high-speed photography, he photograph newly formed crystals of frozen water samples as they were forming and something astonishing could be seen..



To the left is pure water before it was prayed over. Then as the students began to earnestly pray over the water molecule it changed. To the right you can see the change dramatically.

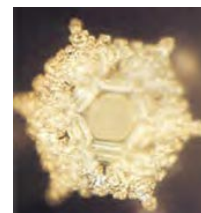


As you can imagine I have had a tremendous response to my sermon, "Bless Yahweh O My Soul," in which I first reported Dr. Emoto's findings.

One person expressed sorrow for what he had done to his family through his verbal abuse over the years. While I expressed to him that his words intended did affect the formation of his children physically, mentally and spiritually it was not too late. As you see in the transformation of the water molecule above the formation did not end until frozen. The way we become "frozen in time" is through death. So, it is not too late unless they're dead. We can still be a positive catalyst for productive change in those we love.

Personally, I would start by telling them that I love and appreciate them. Then I would confess my shortcomings to them and ask for forgiveness. Then I would begin building a healthy, loving relationship with them.

To the right this is water molecule was told, "I love and appreciate you!"



Another person called me from Australia and said, “Did you know that [Dr. Emoto] was a Buddhist?”

I told him I had reckoned so since he was Japanese.

“How can we believe anything a Buddhist says?” he questioned.

I said, “He’s a medical scientist. I don’t care what his belief system is, I care about his science. Now, how he interprets the findings of his scientific findings could be biased by his belief system but not the findings themselves. The science stands true.”

I then asked him if he had a cell phone. He informed me he did. I asked what the name of that cell phone was. He told me Samsung. I shrieked, “That phone technology was engineered by a Buddhist!” You’ll have to get rid of it!”

He did not understand that line of logic at all. So, I told him if you will not accept Dr. Emoto’s findings as logical because he is a Buddhist, then you cannot accept the technology of his cell phone because it was engineered by a Buddhist. If you believe Buddhism has so much power it can skew scientific findings – science is science – then his cell phone is contaminated.

Now, we know that is not the case. So, everyone use their cell phones with confidence. But be careful what you say to one another.

Still another person wrote: “...I want to share something with you, Rabbi: I have always enjoyed science and just recently I have come to the conclusion that in spite of the faults that many "religious" people want to find in the cold, heartless/Yahweh-less realm of science, I see (with this teaching, as well as with other experiences) that science is Abba Yahweh's way of handing us a magnifying glass [or] microscope [or] telescope to delve into the mysteries of His Awe-full-ness (In reference to my past sermon, “Have An Awe-Full Day”). Even though I believe He'd much rather see us studying Torah exclusively, it helps a lot when members of our corps dedicate part of their time [or] curiosity to search for explanations to the wonders of Yahweh's Creation. So, in other words, I appreciate that people have wandered into Yahweh's wonders to explain WHY it's [good] to wash our hands, or why we shouldn't eat parasite infested pork products, or why what we think and say affects 75-100% of the environment in which our nepheshim (soul) [and] ruachim (spirit) dwell.

Also, meditating on the [water] teaching: If sound and thought have such an impact on [water] and other forms of matter, and if we are composed of [water] (to say at least that) to the 75% degree, and if [water] can have such an impact on its surroundings [and] vessels such as the basin of the Grand Canyon, any river bed, or a simple rock fallen victim to a continuous dropping of water, then how are we not to expect the vessels in which our [water] flow and upon which our [spirit] hover NOT to be shaped by the force of our mouths' blessings [or] cursings? I'm planning to share this teaching with a lot or should I say with every one of the people I know.

Words That Offend

“What do you think he meant by that?” How many times in your life have you asked that question thinking you already knew the answer to the question? “No Good!” Isn’t it the height of arrogance to think that someone would take out the time just to build a conspiracy to destroy your happiness? The funny thing is, most people think very little about what they say so sometimes sentences are built very poorly and the language could unwittingly offend without the person intending to be offensive.

But what if the person meant to be offensive how should I look at it? There is possibly no more offensive creature than the spider. Deep fear of spiders, or arachnophobia, is among the most common of animal phobias. In studies done in the Netherlands and Britain among adults, the spider was among the top five most feared creatures. 32 % of females and 18 % of males reported that spiders made them feel anxious and nervous or very frightened. One woman I heard of was so frightened when she saw a spider inside her car as she was backing out of the driveway, she jumped out while the car was still moving.

While on the other hand, most people have very peaceable feelings about hummingbirds. If we saw a hummingbird hovering outside our window most of us would stop and admire the grace and beauty of the hummingbird.

What does a spider have to do with a hummingbird? 90% of the hummingbird’s nest is spider web. If we got rid of all the spiders in the world, the hummingbird would have no nest. Without a nest, there can be no eggs. Without eggs, there is no more hummingbird. All we would have to tell our children is a vague memory of the most beautiful, unique and tiniest of birds.

That’s the same way with the “offensive remark” we need them to build us into the person Yahweh wants us to be. Instead of reacting to the “offensive remark” take two steps back left your hands

with open palms and say, "I am so sorry, I did not mean to offend you!" That will defuse the moment and force the other person to reflect on their remarks.

"...you also are among those who are called to belong to Messiah YahShua. To all ... who are loved by Yahweh and called to be saints: grace and peace to you from Yahweh our Father and from King Messiah YahShua. First, I thank my Elohim through Messiah YahShua for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. Yahweh, whom I serve with my whole heart in preaching the Full Messianic Message of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by Yahweh's will the way may be opened for me to come to you. I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong (Romans 1:6-11)."

Did you notice how much intent expressed by words is mentioned in this passage? **"you also are among those who are called... to be saints... your faith is being reported all over the world... I serve with my whole heart in preaching... I remember you in my prayers at all times... so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong."**

That is my intention for this teaching, that I may impart to you **"some spiritual gift to make you strong!"** But in truth, the **spiritual gift** does not come from me but by the ministry of our High Priest, Messiah YahShua coming from our Heavenly Father flowing to us by the Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit).

Intend to be Converted

"At that time the disciples came to Rebbe YahShua and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? (Matthew 18:1)"

You have read this passage probably a thousand times. How Messiah YahShua had to use a small child to teach a valuable lesson to his very hard headed, self-centered and arrogant Talmidim (disciples). Can you imagine? The Talmidim, men of great faith, reduced down to mere man by arguing **"Who is the greatest in the Kingdom from heaven?"**

"He called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you be converted (do Teshuvah) and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself (repents) like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom from heaven. (Matthew 18:2-4)"

Children are strikingly good at learning the meanings of names for things. There is considerable evidence that they solve this mapping problem through inferring the referential intentions of other people. Since they do not know definitions or usages of things they pay attention to the intent of the person's language speaking to them. Which is kind of like mind reading. They assume everyone is trying to teach them and so they accept their position of ignorance as a student. Children crave to learn and embrace an ever changing mobility of self.

What an awesome lesson – Teshuvah – change – conversion – is basically the same idea as humility. **"Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom from heaven."** Conversion or humility is becoming submissive to the intent of the Word of Yahweh, which is the expressed intent, or will of Yahweh.

One day, **"Rebbe YahShua entered a house... Rebbe YahShua's mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."**

"Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked. Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does Yahweh's will is my brother and sister and mother." (Mark 3:20, 31-35)"

Our humble Messiah is not trying to disrespect his family. Rather, he is saying the true Family of Israel are those that know the intent of the Heavenly Father because they search His Word out.

"My mother and brothers are those who hear Yahweh's word and put it into practice. (Luke 8:21)"

Remember what our Messiah said, **"It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of Yahweh.' (Matthew 4:4)"** Where is it written? Where can we find this intent of the Father? According to **Deuteronomy 8:3**, it's the Torah!

The Prophet Isaiah expressed this intent of the Father: **"This is what Yahweh says: "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. Where is the house you will build for me? Where will my resting place be? Has not my hand made all these things, and so they came into being?" declares Yahweh. "This is the one I esteem: he who is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word. (Isaiah 66:1,2)"** But if you approach him in your arrogance, thinking you are better than you are,

your sacrificing of worship **“...is like one who kills a man, and whoever offers a lamb (without humility), like one who breaks a dog's neck; whoever makes a grain offering (without humility) is like one who presents pig's blood, and whoever burns memorial incense (without humility), like one who worships an idol. They have chosen their own ways, and their souls delight in their abominations (Isaiah 66:3)”**

“...if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. (Matthew 5:23, 24)”

Teshuvah just means to turn around. Turn around from what – our old biases and intentions. **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly perverse and corrupt and severely, mortally sick! Who can know it [perceive, understand, be acquainted with his own heart and mind]? (Jeremiah 17:9)”**

That's a hard reality. Most people that you meet, their heart is **“exceedingly perverse and corrupt and severely, mortally sick!”** They are not concerned neither are they doing the will of our Heavenly Father, they're just being normal.

“...they have refused to take correction or instruction. They have made their faces harder than a rock, they have refused to repent and return to You... Surely these are only the poor; they are [sinfully] foolish and have no understanding, for they know not the way of the Lord, the judgment (the just and righteous law) of their Elohim. I will go to the great men and will speak to them, for they must know the way of the Lord, the judgment (the just and righteous law) of their Elohim. But [I found the very reverse to be true] these had all alike broken the yoke [of Torah] and had burst the bonds [of obedience to Him]...Hear now this, O foolish people without understanding or heart, who have eyes and see not, who have ears and hear not...But these people have hearts that draw back from Elohim and wills that rebel against Him; they have revolted and quit His service and have gone away [into idolatry]. (Jeremiah 5:3-5, 21, 23)”

This describes normal human beings. It's hard to receive **“correction or instruction.”** In the natural we **“are a stiff-necked people. If [Yahweh] were to go with [us] even for a moment, [He] might destroy [us]. [So he says to us] Now take off your ornaments and I will decide what to do with you. (Exodus 33:5)”** Convert or not to convert, that is the question.

“For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those *who live* according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded *is* death, but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace. Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against Yahweh; for it is not subject to the law of Yahweh, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please Yahweh. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of Yahweh dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Messiah, he is not His. (Romans 8:5-9)”

“O Sovereign, if I have found favor in your eyes...then let our Sovereign go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance.” Then Yahweh said: **“I am making a covenant with you. Before all your people I will do wonders never before done in any nation in all the world. The people you live among will see how awesome is the work that I, Yahweh, will do for you. (Exodus 34:9,10)”**

This is a perfect picture of who is a true Israelite and who is not.

“A man is not a Jew if he is only one outwardly, nor is circumcision merely outward and physical. No, a man is a Jew if he is one inwardly; and circumcision is circumcision of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the written code. Such a man's praise is not from men, but from Yahweh. (Romans 2:28-30)”
“And if Messiah *is* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin, but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness. (Romans 8:10)”

To be **spiritually minded** is to know the intention of the Father.

“But if the Spirit of Him who raised Rebbe YahShua from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Messiah from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. (Romans 8:11-13)”

Remember the goal of the New Covenant: **“... this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says Yahweh: I will put My Torah in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their elohim, and they shall be My people. “(Jeremiah 31:33)”**

“You shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All Torah and the Prophets hang on these two commandments. (Matthew 22:38-40)”
"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. (John 13:34, 35)"
“But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: “ Elohim resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble. (Proverbs 3:34)” (James 4:6)”

When people leave the Fellowship generally it is because of a confusion of intent upon their pride.
Elohim ... gives grace to the humble.

“Therefore submit to Yahweh. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to Yahweh and He will draw near to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *you* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *you* double-minded. Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and *your* joy to gloom. Humble yourselves in the sight of Yahweh, and He will lift you up. (James 4:7-10)”

He will lift you up spiritually, in this lifetime and physically in the Resurrection.

Humility, or the submission to Yahweh, is the essence of conversion – teshuvah – turning to Yahweh.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom from heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. (When is the last time you extended mercy?)

Blessed are the pure in heart (pure in intentions), **for they will see Yahweh.**

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of Yahweh. (When is the last time you forgave someone? When was the last time you asked someone to forgive you?)

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom from heaven. (When was the last time you were a peacemaker instead of a troublemaker?)

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (Matthew 5:3-12)”

These are beatitudes or “Beautiful attitudes.” This is what our Messiah said should be our intention. This is the goal we are to shoot for.

“Messiah is the goal of the Torah so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Moses describes in this way the righteousness that is by the law: "The man who does these things will live by them.(Leviticus 18:5)" (Romans 10:4,5)”

If you have reached the goal of the Torah – Messiah – that sets your intentions.

“Since, then, you have been raised with Messiah, set your hearts on things above, where Messiah is seated at the right hand of Yahweh. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Messiah in Yahweh. When Messiah, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. (Colossians 3:1-4)”

“...children of Yahweh...we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. (1 John 3:2)”

“Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of Yahweh is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. (Colossians 3:5-7)”

Remember where you came from. Don't get too proud. Once upon a time you too were a sinner.

“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of Yahweh? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of Yahweh. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of King YahShua and by the Spirit of our Elohim. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)”

“But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self (The inner part of us that is being changed by the steady communication of Yahweh's divine presence called the Spirit.), which is being renewed in knowledge (Through the intense study of Yahweh's Word.) in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Greek or

Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian (Scythia, where the greatest concentration of Lost Israel was.), **slave or free, but Messiah is all, and is in all. (Colossians 3:8-11)**

Then Rabbi Sha'ul takes us to the next level of conversion:

“Therefore, as Yahweh's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as Yahweh forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. (Colossians 3:12-14)”

Let me be blunt, you can choose to play the victim in your conflicts with one another or you can be the agent of forgiveness. From time to time one of you will try to drag me into your conflicts with one another, and you get so frustrated with me because the first thing I'm going to do is work on the one in front of me – YOU! Then you get all self-righteous and inform me its not you your having a problem with – it's the other person that doing wrong. I want you to try a new tactic – **“Bear with each other** (with a little more loving kindness) **and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another.”** **“...if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Messiah forgave you, so you also must do. (Colossians 3:13)”** Wouldn't we be such a stronger community if we could get that concept into our hearts. That's a higher level of conversion that is hard to attain.

“Over all these virtues put on love, which binds [us] all together in perfect unity. It's the glue that holds a community together. “Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as Yahweh for Messiah's sake hath forgiven you. (Ephesians 4:31-33)”

What do you mean **“even as Yahweh for Messiah's sake hath forgiven you.”** You see, even though we were an offense to the Messiah, he asked the Father, **“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing. (Luke 23:34)”**

“And let the peace of Yahweh rule in your hearts to which also you were called in one body (Colossians 3:15).”

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to Yahweh. And the peace of Yahweh, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Messiah YahShua. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:6-8)”

If we did this, we as a people would be more peaceful.

“Be thankful (Philippians 4:8).” As I said earlier, one of the most elemental flaws in our nature is the urge to get something for nothing. If you take something without giving a thanks you stole it from the Heavenly Father. We are to bless the object we consume and thank Yahweh for the giving of anything or anyone we receive in pleasure or sustenance. **“The earth is Yahweh's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it (Psalm 24:1)”**

I am thankful that our Heavenly Father met me while I was at Seminary at Southern Bible College. I am thankful for godly Grandmother and Father who taught me the realities of the Word of Yahweh. I am thankful that he called me out of the Church to bring this message of the New Covenant. I am thankful He let me study with the Rabbis so that I could reverse my mind from a Western Man into a Child of Israel. I am thankful for my visitation into the Heavenly Realms. I am thankful He gave me the revelation of the “Three Pillars of Our Faith.” I am also thankful he revealed the mystery of the ages that the Majority of people are Israelites in these Last Days that need to be sifted from the Gentile World. I am eternally thankful from this Fellowship – Agudat Bris – our home. I thank Him for you. I thank Yahweh for the Covenants and I am thankful my name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. And I am thankful that the coming of Messiah is closer now than it was yesterday.

“Let the Word of Messiah dwell in you richly in all wisdom...(Colossians 3:15).” Our goal in this age is to learn to think like Messiah – that is to think like Yahweh. We do this by learning the intent of His Words. **“...teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Yahweh (Colossians 3:16).”** That can only happen in communal worship. **“You shall not forsake our assemblies like that which is the custom of some but each of you shine all the more as you see the Day come near. (Hebrews 10:25)”** Personally, I cannot wait to meet you here to worship with you. **“I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the House of Yahweh. (Psalm 122:1)”**

“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of King YahShua, giving thanks to Yahweh the Father through Him...And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to Yahweh and not to men...But he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality. (Colossians 3:16, 23, 25).”

“{Messiah YahShua} said, “Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 18:3)”

What are your intentions?

“Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love *is* the fulfillment of the law. And *do* this, knowing the time that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation *is* nearer than when we *first* believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. (Romans 13:10-12)”

Let all of us rise up from our slumber. The world is changing. Soon we will be plunged into the end of the Epoch of the World we have known. Let us heed the words of Rabbi Sha’ul: **“Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Messiah YahShua is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? And I trust that you will discover that we have not failed the test. Now we pray to Yahweh that you will not do anything wrong...our prayer is for your perfection. (2 Corinthians 13:5-7, 9)”**

“We have examined this, and it is true. So hear it and apply it to yourself. (Job 5:27)”

We need to look inside of our heart to see what are our intentions. To what level have we converted? To what degree are we submissive to the Word and will of Yahweh? How fare down the narrow road of change have we traveled and how much farther do we need to go? Let us intend to be Children of Yahweh rich in love and careful in speech knowing we effect one another.

