

**Study of of Ephesians 6**  
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**Ephesians 6:1-24**

*Verse 1 Children, obey your parents in YHVH: for this is right. 2 Honour your father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise).*

As always Paul is telling us to **KEEP** and **PERFORM** the Commandments of Elohim, for each and every one of YHVH's Commandments **ARE A BENEFIT** to those that willingly and lovingly choose to keep and perform them.

*Verse 3 That **IT MAY BE WELL** with you, and you **MAY LIVE LONG** on the earth.*

Paul is confirming to us that one of the benefits of obeying YHVH's Commandments with a loving surrendered heart is that **WE WILL HAVE A LONG LIFE**.

*Verse 4 And, you fathers, **DO NOT** provoke your children to wrath: **BUT** bring them up in the nurture and admonition of YHVH.*

Here in *Ephesians 6* we see that Paul **IS NOT ONLY** speaking to children **BUT** that he is also speaking **to their parents** and giving them godly advice on how to raise children.

*Verse 5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Messiah; 6 Not with eye service, as men pleasers; **BUT** as the servants of Messiah, doing the will of Elohim from the heart; 7 With **good will, doing service**, as to YHVH, and **NOT TO MEN**: 8 Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man does, **THE SAME SHALL HE RECEIVE OF YHVH**, whether he be bond or free.*

Here Paul is talking to servants and bond slaves and he commands them to serve their masters willingly from the heart as **IF THEY WERE SERVING MESSIAH AND DOING THE WILL OF YHVH**. As you can well imagine this **IS** the exact opposite of the way that the world thinks. **WHY** does Paul command them to obey their masters with willing hearts? **IT IS BECAUSE** Paul understands that we reap what we sow, and when we obey YHVH, especially when **IT IS DIFFICULT TO DO, WE ARE THE ONES THAT BENEFIT, for obedience pleases YHVH** and obedience manifests His countless blessings that are contained in YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, His Torah of Life and activated by obedience.

*Verse 9 And, you masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that **your Master** also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with Him.*

Now like the advice to the parents about their children, Paul **IS** admonishing these masters to treat their servants, bond slaves and their employees with **RESPECT** and **KINDNESS** because as masters, they too have someone **WHO IS THEIR MASTER IN HEAVEN** whom they are to serve and that Master **IS NO RESPECTER OF PERSONS** and He will recompense people according to their obedience or disobedience to His Commandments, regardless of what position you hold here on earth..

*Verse 10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in YHVH, and in the power of His might.*

Here Paul is admonishing us to understand and believe **in the power and might** of YHVH. **Why** does Paul want us to believe in **the power and might** of YHVH? First of all, Paul wants us to believe in **the power** of YHVH **because IT IS real and because it strengthens a person's belief in the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when one does**, and **it also** encourages a person to know, that *No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of YHVH, and their righteousness IS OF ME*, says YHVH. *Isaiah 54:17*. These are the kind of blessings that are embedded in the Word of YHVH **AND ACTIVATED** through **OBEDIENCE**, and I have to tell you that there are so many blessings for obeying YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions that I cannot even begin to outline them all.

*Verse 11 Put on the whole armour of YHVH, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.*

What is the armour of YHVH? And how has most of Christianity depicted or described this armour of YHVH? Well if you look at most Christian commentaries, the armour of YHVH **IS** compared to the armour that was worn by a Roman soldier, including his sword and shield, however that would be an absolutely false definition of the armour of YHVH, for the armour of YHVH **CANNOT** and **SHOULD NOT** be compared **TO ANY MAN MADE ITEMS OR COVERINGS**. As you read on in this study I will show you what **THE ARMOUR OF YHVH IS** according to Scripture, and what protects us and permits us to stand against the wiles of the devil.

*Verse 12 For we wrestle NOT against flesh and blood, BUT we wrestle against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.*

Here Paul is explaining to us that there are forces at work in this world that war against YHVH, and that our ultimate battle **IS NOT AGAINST EARTHLY ENEMIES, BUT** the real battlefield **IS IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS** where we fight against the lusts of our own flesh, including giving into any and all of our sexual urges, eating what YHVH has said is **NOT** food for us, giving in to the enticing ways of this world, the enticement of fame, fortune and or power, the deceitfulness of riches, loving money more than Elohim. These are all areas that are influenced by **THE DECEIVER, the prince of the power of the air, satan, THE FIRST BUT NOT** the only enemy of our heavenly Father, and he became an enemy of our heavenly Father because **OF HIS PRIDE**.

*Verse 13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of YHVH (which according to Scripture IS ALL of the Words of His Torah of Life) that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.*

Here Paul informs us that the **WHOLE ARMOUR** of YHVH (which is **ALL** the Words of His Torah of Life) **WILL CAUSE US TO BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND EVIL**. What **IS EVIL** according to Scripture? **ALL SIN IS EVIL** according to Scripture, and **SIN** is defined in *1John 3:4 Whosoever commits SIN transgresses also the Torah (Law): for SIN IS THE TRANSGRESSION OF THE TORAH (Law)*. **IF** according to Scripture **EVIL IS SIN**, then please answer me this question, **HOW** can the armour of a Roman soldier **PROTECT ANY OF US AGAINST SIN**? I am sure that you can see that the armour of YHVH which protects us against **SIN CANNOT BE FROM ANYTHING**

**THAT IS MAN MADE, INCLUDING ALL MAN MADE DOCTRINES AND THEOLOGIES.**

Therefore I am compelled to inform people who read *Ephesian 6*, to really question what they have been told by their Christian Pastors or Catholic Priests, what the armour of YHVH is?

*Verse 14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with **TRUTH**, (the Words of YHVH's Torah of Life, Psalm 119:142) and having on the breastplate of righteousness;*  
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Now here in *verse 14* we can see the armour of YHVH starting to be defined. First of all we are told by Paul that **WE ARE TO GIRN OUR LOINS WITH THE TRUTH**. What is **TRUTH** according to Scripture? Let me show you what the Bible defines as **TRUTH!**

*Psalm 119:142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and **YOUR TORAH (Law) IS THE TRUTH.***

*Psalm 119:151 You are near, O YHVH; and **ALL YOUR COMMANDMENTS** are **TRUTH.***

*Psalm 119:160 You **WORD IS TRUE** from the beginning: and every one of **YOUR RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENTS ENDURES FOR EVER.***

*John 17:17 Sanctify them through Your **TRUTH: YOUR WORD IS TRUTH.***

*Ephesians 1:13 In whom you also, after that you heard the Word of **TRUTH, THE GOSPEL OF YOUR SALVATION:** in whom also after that you believed, you were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise.*

As you can see for yourself, the Scripture defines the word **TRUTH** as YHVH's **TORAH, HIS COMMANDMENTS, HIS WORD**, and in Ephesians it is called the **GOSPEL** of Messiah, for **IT TOO, THE GOSPEL IS** called the **TRUTH**. Therefore when Paul instructs us **TO GIRN OUR LOINS WITH YHVH's TRUTH**, Paul is actually telling us **TO GIRN OUR LOINS WITH THE WORDS OF THE INERRANT AND EVERLASTING TEACHING AND INSTRUCTIONS OF YHVH, HIS WORD, HIS COMMANDMENTS, HIS TORAH, HIS GOSPEL.**

Next we are told to take hold of **THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**. I therefore have to ask, **WHAT IS** the breastplate of righteousness and **HOW DO WE ACQUIRE IT?** I am **NOT ASKING YOU WHAT YOU THINK THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS IS**, I am asking you **HOW THE SCRIPTURES DEFINE THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**. Let's first look at the word breastplate.

Scripture tells us exactly what **THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS IS** in *Exodus 28:15* *And you shall make the **BREASTPLATE OF JUDGMENT** with cunning work; after the work of the ephod you shall make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shall you make it.*

This breastplate is something that was made **FOR AND ONLY WORN BY** the High Priest, for **IT IS** part of the garments of the High Priest that Israel was ordained by YHVH to make in a very specific manner and design. The breastplate was made of Gold which speaks of the value and purity of YHVH and His Word, found throughout Scripture, the colour blue speaks of heaven, the colour red

speaks of man and the colour purple which is a colour that is derived when we mix red and blue together, and as you can see the colour purple is 100% percent blue and 100% red, which means that it is 100% from heaven (blue) and 100% man (Adam), which in turn describes our Messiah perfectly, for He was fully YHVH and came from heaven to earth to take on the likeness of man, and He became as you and I are, fully man while still being fully YHVH. Therefore the breastplate of Righteousness **IS** the Living Torah our Messiah, who is the one that we are to put on. *Romans 13:12-14 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us **put on the armour of light**. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and wantonness, not in strife and envying. **BUT PUT ON OUR MASTER YESHUA MESSIAH** (the Living Torah), and **DO NOT** make provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.*

Next we have to look at the word **RIGHTEOUSNESS** and its definition in Scripture. For that definition let's look at *Deuteronomy 6:24-25 And YHVH Commanded us **TO DO ALL THESE STATUTES**, to fear YHVH our Elohim, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. 25 And **IT SHALL BE OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS, IF WE OBSERVE TO DO ALL THESE COMMANDMENTS** (Torah, Word, Gospel) before YHVH our Elohim, as He has Commanded us.*

Therefore when we combine the two words **Breastplate** and **Righteousness**, it tells us that we are to take hold of the Words of YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, take **HOLD** of, **OBEY** and **DO** ALL the Words of His Torah of Life, and become the High Priests that are to guard our own temples, our own bodies.

Prior to telling us what **RIGHTEOUSNESS IS** in *Deuteronomy 6:24-25*, YHVH said to Moses in *Deuteronomy 5:29-33 O that there were such a heart in Israel, that they would fear Me, and **KEEP ALL** My Commandments **ALWAYS**, that it might be well with them, and with their children **FOR EVER!** Go therefore Moses and say to them, Get you into your tents again. But as for you Moses, stand you here by Me, and I will speak unto you **ALL** the Commandments, and the Statutes, and the Judgments, which you shall teach Israel, that they may **DO THESE COMMANDMENTS** in the land which I give them to possess it. You shall **OBSERVE TO DO** therefore as YHVH your Elohim has Commanded you: you **SHALL NOT TURN ASIDE TO THE RIGHT HAND OR TO THE LEFT**. You shall walk in **ALL THE WAYS WHICH YHVH YOUR ELOHIM HAS COMMANDED YOU, THAT YOU MAY LIVE**, and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you shall possess.*

These verses confirm for all of us, that YHVH's Righteousness **IS** the Words of His Torah of Life.

*Verse 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace (the Torah);*

Here Paul tells us that we are to prepare ourselves by being **SHOD** or **FITTED** with *the Gospel of peace*. In *Ephesians 1:13* we are told that the **Gospel of our Salvation IS** the **TRUTH** and as we have discovered previously, the **TRUTH IS ALSO DEFINED AS THE WORDS OF THE TORAH, THE COMMANDMENTS OF YHVH**, furthermore we are told that when we truly believe and internalize YHVH's **TRUTH**, when we internalize the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions of YHVH, **IT WILL SET US FREE**, and freedom **IS** the necessary component needed to have peace in our lives. Therefore **IT IS** quite clear that Paul is telling us to **SHOD OUR FEET** with *the Torah, the Commandments, the Word and the Gospel* of our heavenly

Father, and the fact that we are to **SHOD OUR FEET** speaks of the walk or the Path that our heavenly Father wants **ALL OF US TO BE ON**, and that my friends **IS THE WALK OF OBEDIENCE TO THE WORDS OF HIS INERRANT AND EVERLASTING WORD, HIS TORAH OF LIFE**. Amen

*Verse 16 Above all, taking the **SHIELD OF BELIEF** (emunah, faith), wherewith you shall be able to quench **ALL** the fiery darts of the wicked.*

The first mention of the word **SHIELD** in the Hebrew Scriptures is in *Genesis 15:1* After these things the Word of YHVH came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: **I AM YOUR SHIELD**, (Magen, מִגֵּן) and your exceeding great reward.

The Hebrew word translated as shield is Magen, מִגֵּן, and the very same spelling of the word but with different vowel points produces the word Migan, מִיגָן, which means, **from the garden**, and with yet another form of the word with the very same letters we have the word Migen, מִיגֵן, which means **delivered**. Next we have to look at the word faith. This word is translated from the Hebrew word *emunah*, אֱמוּנָה, which means **belief, faithful, faithfulness, steady, truly, truth**. It is from the root word Emet, אֱמֶת, which means, stability, sureness, faithfulness, certainty, truth, he verified, confirmed, authenticated, and as you can see the first and last letters of this word are the letters Aleph and Tav, אַת, which are the first and last letters of the Hebrew Alphabet, and together they represent Messiah, the first and the last, the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega. Furthermore, we see that the letter Mem is in between the letters, Aleph and Tav, and the letter Mem, מ, in Scripture, is often a shadow picture of a womb, therefore this Hebrew word Emet, אֱמֶת, that has been translated as the word **TRUE** or **TRUTH** in English, means that **IT IS** the Words of Messiah/YHVH, the Words of the Living Torah, made flesh, being birthed within us, that is the **ONE** and **ONLY TRUTH** that men and women **ARE** to rely on, **IF** they want to spend eternity in the kingdom of Elohim as the bride of Messiah, *Psalm 119:160 Your Word IS TRUE from the beginning: and every one of Your righteous judgments endures for ever, Psalm 119:142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and Your Torah IS the TRUTH*

Therefore when we put **ALL** the definitions of these words together we can truly see and understand the message that Paul is communicating to us. Paul is telling us to take this **SHIELD, THE PROTECTION** which comes from **THE TREE OF LIFE, IN THE MIDST OF THE GARDEN OF YHVH**, and **PROTECTS US AND DELIVERS US FROM THE DECEITFULNESS, AND THE BLOWS OR FIERY DARTS OF THE ENEMY**, for that **IS** the function of a **SHIELD**, the Magen. What we have to understand **IS** that in the midst of the Garden of YHVH **IS** the **TREE OF LIFE**, which **IS** yet another manifestation of the **PURE WORD OF YHVH** as Messiah **IS A MANIFESTATION OF THE PURE WORD OF YHVH**. We are also told that **THIS SHIELD IS** the **SHIELD OF FAITH** and in Scripture we are told that the word **FAITH** really means **BELIEF, BELIEVING THE TRUTH, AND BEING FAITHFUL TO THAT TRUTH** in every aspect of our lives. Therefore when Paul tells us to take the **SHIELD OF FAITH**, he is actually telling us to take the Word of YHVH, the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life and let our **BELIEF AND FAITHFULNESS TO YHVH'S WORD DEFLECT, DESTROY, AND OR MAKE WHATEVER THE DEVIL THROWS AT US OF NO EFFECT**. And YHVH confirms that in:

*James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to YHVH. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*  
*Isaiah 54:17 NO WEAPON That is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. THIS IS THE HERITAGE of the servants of YHVH, and THEIR RIGHTEOUSNESS IS OF ME, SAYS YHVH.*

*Verse 17 And take the helmet of salvation,*

What is the helmet of salvation spoken of here in *Ephesians*? Well, as I have told you in the past, we have to let Scripture answer Scripture. It says in *Isaiah 59:17* *For he put on RIGHTEOUSNESS as a breastplate, and a HELMET OF SALVATION upon his head; and he put on the GARMENTS OF VENGEANCE for clothing, and was CLAD WITH ZEAL as a cloak.* The words **HELMET OF SALVATION** are the Hebrew words *Vecova Yeshua* וְכוּבֵעַ יְשׁוּעָה, and the literal translation **IS THE HAT OR HELMET OF YESHUA**. Scripture makes it very clear that Yeshua **IS** the Living Word of YHVH, His Living Torah made flesh, and we have also discovered that the Word of YHVH, His Torah, His Commandments and His Gospel are **ONE AND THE SAME ENTITY**; therefore the **HELMET OF SALVATION**, which in Hebrew is really called *Vecova Yeshua*, וְכוּבֵעַ יְשׁוּעָה, *VeKova*, **THE HELMET OF YESHUA**, is therefore by definition **THE COVERING OF YHVH, IT IS HIS** inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, His Torah of Life made flesh **THAT COVERS ALL BELIEVERS**, and **CAUSES THEM TO EASILY ELIMINATE ALL DOUBT**, furthermore we are told in the Hebraic and Apostolic Scriptures exactly what this **HELMET IS**. In *Exodus 39:30* *And they made the plate of the HOLY CROWN of pure gold, and wrote upon the Holy Crown (the Helmet of Salvation) a writing, like to the engravings of a signet, which says HOLINESS TO YHVH*, which means **SET APART for the purposes of YHVH**; and in *1 Corinthians 2:16* we are told that **WE**, the believers have the **Mind of Messiah**, which means that spiritually we are wearing the Helmet of Yeshua (וְכוּבֵעַ יְשׁוּעָה, *VeKova Yeshua*); *For who has known the mind of Messiah, that he may instruct Him? BUT WE HAVE THE MIND OF MESSIAH*, which basically means true Believers are to wear *the Helmet of Salvation*, the Torah of Moses every day of their lives.

Based on **ALL** this evidence **IT IS** or should be very very clear to **ALL** people that the Helmet of Salvation **IS** the inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions of our heavenly Father, the Words of His Torah of Life, the Words of His directives for everlasting Life, our Messiah, whom our heavenly Father manifested in the **FLESH** in order that Messiah could be an example to **ALL** who would willingly choose to believe, that our heavenly Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions are **VALID, AND IN FULL FORCE FOREVER**, and therefore we are to wear our heavenly Father's *Helmet of Salvation* everyday of our lives.

*And the sword of the Spirit, which IS the Word of YHVH:*

In Scripture in *Hebrews 4:12* we are told what **THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT IS**: *For the Word of YHVH IS quick, and powerful, and sharper than ANY TWO EDGED SWORD, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is A DISCERNER of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*

Again we have to go back to the definition of the words that Paul is using, and here Paul is saying that **the SWORD OF THE SPIRIT OF YHVH IS the WORD of YHVH**, and as I mentioned above we have already established that the *Word of YHVH IS* synonymous with the *Torah of YHVH*, the

*Ten Commandments, the Gospel of Messiah, therefore Paul **IS** telling us to take **the Word, the Torah, the Commandments and the Gospel of Messiah AS OUR DEFENCE MECHANISM**, and **IF** and when we do indeed willingly surrender our lives to our heavenly Father and accept and internalize His Word, **IT WILL GUARANTEE** us our eternal victory, **BECAUSE** we chose to willingly and lovingly **CARRY** the Sword of YHVH, His eternal **WORD, WITH US EVERYWHERE WE GO**.*

*Verse 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for **ALL** saints;*

*Here Paul is telling us exactly what he told us in *1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing. 18 In every thing give thanks: for this **IS THE WILL** of YHVH in Messiah Yeshua concerning **YOU**. 19 **DO NOT** Quench the Spirit. 20 **DO NOT** Despise prophesying. 21 Prove **ALL** things; hold fast that which **IS GOOD**. 22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.**

*Furthermore Paul tells us to pray in the Spirit. What does it mean to **PRAY IN THE SPIRIT** and **HOW DO WE DO THAT?** Now again we must let Scripture tell us what this means and **NOT LET MAN'S DOCTRINES AND OR MAN'S THEOLOGIES INTERFERE WITH THE TRUTH OF SCRIPTURE**. In *Ezekiel 36:26-28 A new heart also will I give you, and a **NEW SPIRIT** will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put **MY SPIRIT** within you, and **CAUSE** you to walk in **MY STATUTES**, and **YOU SHALL KEEP MY JUDGMENTS**, and **DO THEM**. 28 And **YOU SHALL** dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and **YOU SHALL** be My people, and I will be your Elohim.**

*According to these verses the only way that we can pray in the Spirit **IS IF** we willingly and lovingly surrender our wills to our heavenly Father's Holy Spirit and **ALLOW** His Holy Spirit to **CAUSE US TO OBEY AND DO** all the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, **ALLOW HIM TO CAUSE US TO LEARN AND FOLLOW HIS PROMPTING, THE PROMPTING OF THE SPIRIT OF YHVH**. One cannot go against the instructions of the Holy Spirit of YHVH, who, according to Scripture, was given to every surrendered heart to **CAUSE** him or her, to **KEEP** and **DO** the Torah of Moses and **THEN** expect that when a person willingly chooses **NOT TO OBEY** nor **FOLLOW** the prompting of the Holy Spirit, to believe, follow, obey and do All the Words of the Torah of YHVH, **THAT THAT PERSON IS PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT OF YHVH; BECAUSE** according to the Word of YHVH, the **ONLY TIME THAT WE ARE IN THE SPIRIT, IS WHEN WE ALLOWING HIM TO CAUSE US TO OBEY** the Spirit of YHVH **WHO** was given to us with the **VERY SPECIFIC PURPOSE** of **CAUSING US TO WALK OUT YHVH'S TORAH**, His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions. Let me show you a few more verses in Scriptures that support Paul's position.*

*Proverbs 28:4 They that forsake the Torah (Law) praise the wicked: **BUT** such as **KEEP THE TORAH (Law) CONTEND** with them.*

*Proverbs 28:7 Whosoever **KEEPS the Torah (Law) IS A WISE SON**: **BUT** he that is a companion of riotous men (lawless or Torahless Men) **SHAMES HIS FATHER**.*

*Proverbs 28:9 He that turns away his ear from hearing (shemah) the Torah (Law), **EVEN HIS PRAYER shall be ABOMINATION**.*

If you are willing to let the Scriptures teach you, **RATHER THAN MAN MADE DOCTRINES OR THEOLOGIES, THEN** Scripture makes **IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR** that the **ONLY WAY THAT ONE CAN PRAY IN THE SPIRIT IS BY THE PROMPTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF YHVH** and the Holy Spirit of our heavenly Father will only **PROMPT** those that have **WILLINGLY CHOSEN TO SURRENDER THEIR HEARTS TO YHVH and CHOSEN TO ALLOW THE HOLY SPIRIT TO CAUSE THEM TO OBEY THE WORDS OF YHVH's INERRANT AND EVERLASTING TEACHING AND INSTRUCTIONS, THE WORDS OF HIS TORAH OF LIFE.**

Paul goes on to tell us that the responsibility of our brethren in Messiah, **IS** put squarely upon our shoulders, and he tells us that we are to be watching with all perseverance and supplication for **ALL the saints**. As believers in the Word of YHVH we **ALL** have to answer the question which states, **AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER, IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**, because we are called the family of YHVH and the **BODY** of Messiah, and therefore we are to watch out **FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS AS WELL AS THE MEMBER OF OUR BODY.** Amein

*Verse 19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the MYSTERY of the Gospel (Torah),*

What **IS** the **MYSTERY** of the Gospel? *Colossians 1:26 Even the mystery which has been hid from ages and from generations, BUT NOW IS made manifest to His saints: 27 To whom Elohim would make known what is THE RICHES OF THE GLORY OF THIS MYSTERY among the Gentiles; WHICH IS MESSIAH IN YOU, THE HOPE OF GLORY.*

In *John 1:1* we are told *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim. And in verse 14 And the Word was MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of GRACE and TRUTH (Torah).*

In the book of Colossians we are told that the **MYSTERY** of the Gospel **IS MESSIAH (the Words of the Living Torah made flesh) IN US**, and in the book of John, we are told that Messiah **IS** the Word of Elohim **MADE FLESH**. We have also learned that *Word of Elohim, the Words of His Torah, His Commandments and His Gospel* are all **ONE** and the **SAME ENTITY**, they are synonymous terms. Therefore we have to realize that Paul is asking us to pray for him and for all leaders and teachers so that he and they, may **preach and make known the MYSTERY OF THE TORAH OF YHVH IN US**, and that mystery my friends is that Messiah and our heavenly Father will come and make their abode within each and every person who willingly and lovingly chooses to surrender their wills to His and walk in total surrendered loving obedience to the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life.

*Verse 20 For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.*

If Paul, who says he is an ambassador in bonds to Messiah, speaks boldly about the Gospel of Elohim, **THEN WE** ought to do the same, we ought to **ALSO** be Ambassadors of Messiah and speak **BOLDLY** about the **mystery of the Gospel**, which of course **IS** Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh **IN US**, then **WE TOO** ought to make it a daily practice to speak boldly about the **MYSTERY** of the Gospel of Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah within us? The only

thing stopping us, **IS OURSELVES**. And please remember that an ambassador does **NOT** speak his own words, he **ONLY** speaks the words of the **ONE** that sent him.

*Verse 21 But that you also may know my affairs, and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in YHVH, shall make known to you all things: 22 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that you might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts.*

Paul wants his life to be an open book so he therefore sends Tychicus to Ephesus to let the people of Ephesus know how and what he is doing.

The final *verse* is Paul's farewell message and it is very encouraging.

*Verse 23 Peace be to the brethren, and LOVE WITH BELIEF (faith, emunah, faithfulness) from Elohim the Father and Adonai Yeshua Messiah. 24 Grace be with all them that love our Adonai Yeshua Messiah IN SINCERITY. Amen. To the Ephesians written from Rome, by Tychicus.*

The only way to express **SINCERITY** and show our love for Adonai Yeshua, is by heeding, believing and **DOING** His Word, that He gave us in *John 14:15 If you love Me, KEEP My commandments.*

In Scripture YHVH is very specific with His instructions. For example when He instructed Moses on how to build the temple He gave Moses some very specific instructions.

*Exodus 25:40 And look that you make them after their pattern, which was showed you in the mount.*

*Hebrews 8:5 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of Elohim when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, said He that you Moses make ALL things according to the pattern that was shown to you in the mount.*

*Exodus 25:9 According to all that I, YHVH SHOW YOU, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of ALL THE INSTRUMENTS THEREOF, even so SHALL You MAKE IT.*

It is quite clear that YHVH wanted Moses to build the tabernacle and **ALL** of its instruments after the exact **PATTERN** that was shown to Moses on Mount Sinai, which I believe was a window directly into heaven where YHVH's Temple is.

YHVH made it abundantly clear that Moses was **NOT** to deviate in any way, shape or form from the pattern that was shown to Him on the Mount. **OK** now that we are clear about that, let us look at the Menorah, the Lamp-stand and see what it says

*Exodus 25:31 And you shall make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same. 32 And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side: 33 Three bowls made like unto almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, with a knop and a flower: so in the six branches that come out of the candlestick. 34 And in the candlestick shall be four bowls made like unto almonds, with their knops and their flowers. 35 And there shall be a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same,*

*and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick. 36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it shall be one beaten work of pure gold. 37 And you shall make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against it.*

Now let me ask you a question, **IF** Moses thought that it would be better to put an alloy with the Gold just to make the Candlestick much more sturdy, would that have been acceptable to YHVH? What **IF** Moses was to say that six branches were to much and that it would be better to have four or five branches, would that have been acceptable to YHVH? What **IF** Moses didn't want to put as many knops as YHVH wanted, because it would look better or that it would be good enough, would that have been acceptable to YHVH?

I can assure you that **NONE OF THESE CHANGES** would be acceptable to YHVH, because He was painting a picture of Messiah with the Menorah; therefore it had to be constructed exactly as YHVH had Commanded or else the people gazing upon this revised Menorah design would **NOT** be able to see the Picture of Messiah that we can see in *Isaiah 11:1-2, which IS the pattern that describes the attributes of Messiah: And there shall come forth a **ROD** out of the stem of Jesse, (the center post of the Menorah) and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: 2 And the spirit of YHVH shall rest upon him,* next we see the six branches of the Menorah:

*The spirit of **wisdom and understanding,***

*The spirit of **counsel and might,***

*The spirit of **knowledge and of the fear of YHVH***

Had Moses changed YHVH's instructions and built the Menorah any other way, **THEN** the picture of Messiah would have been lost forever. That **IS WHY** YHVH instructed Moses to build the Menorah, **ALL** the utensils, and all the Tabernacle, exactly as it was shown to Moses on the Mount, **BECAUSE** YHVH has an overall plan and **HE KNOWS HOW HE WANTS TO EXPRESS IT TO US**. We on the other hand have absolutely **NO** idea whatsoever, as to what YHVH wants until He tells us what He wants and therefore **IT BEHOOVES** us to follow **ALL** of His inerrant and everlasting instructions exactly as it was given to us in His Torah. That is the Pattern of our heavenly Father, For He says: I have made it perfect, **DON'T** change a thing or else **YOU WILL MISS THE MESSAGE**.

Now let us look at the armour of Elohim once more. It is quite evident by the Scriptural evidence that Paul, who says he is a Pharisee of Pharisees, and who was raised at the feet of Gamaliel and who had apparently memorized the Torah by the time he was thirteen years old, would refer to what he **KNEW**, the Torah of Moses and what it said about **THE ARMOUR OF YHVH**, about **THE HELMET OF SALVATION**, about **HAVING HIS FEET SHOD WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE**, the **SWORD OF THE SPIRIT, THE GOOD NEWS**, for **ALL** these items described **AS THE ARMOUR OF YHVH ARE ACTUAL PHYSICAL DESCRIPTIONS OF THE GARMENTS WORN BY THE HIGH PRIEST** of Israel who of course **IS A SHADOW PICTURE** of our Messiah.

Therefore through describing **THE ARMOUR OF YHVH**, Paul was painting a picture of our **ULTIMATE HIGH PRIEST, OUR MESSIAH AND IF** we use any other description than the One that Paul provided us with, which of course is the garments of the High Priest of Israel, **THEN** we are painting a **FALSE PICTURE AND MISSING THE MESSAGE** that YHVH is giving us through His Word. *Galatians 1:8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any **OTHER***

**GOSPEL** (anything other than the **TRUTH, THE WORDS OF THE TORAH OF YHVH**) unto you than that which **WE HAVE PREACHED UNTO YOU**, let him be accursed. 9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any **MAN** preach **ANY OTHER GOSPEL** (anything other than the **TRUTH, THE TORAH**) unto you than what you have received, let him be accursed.

The incredible arrogance of the church fathers' that believe and teach satan's deceptive message that **THE ARMOUR OF YHVH IS** the armour of a Roman soldier, **IS** like saying that **MAN MADE THINGS ARE EQUIVALENT OR BETTER THAN** what YHVH has created and or ordained; **IT IS AKIN TO SAYING THAT WE CAN PRAISE AND WORSHIP YHVH WITH OUR OWN MAN MADE FEASTS, OUR OWN MAN MADE DOCTRINES AND THEOLOGIES, OUR OWN WISDOM**, even though our heavenly Father has told us that **THE WISDOM OF MAN IS FOOLISHNESS** to Him.

Let's read what YHVH had to say *Deuteronomy 12:29* When YHVH Your Elohim shall cut off the nations from before you, where you go to possess them, and you succeed them, and dwell in their land; 30 **TAKE HEED** to yourself that **YOU ARE NOT SNARED BY FOLLOWING THEM**, after that they be destroyed from before you; and **THAT YOU INQUIRE NOT AFTER THEIR (MAN MADE) GODS**, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? **EVEN SO WILL I DO LIKEWISE**. 31 **YOU SHALL NOT DO SO** unto YHVH your Elohim: for **EVERY ABOMINATION TO YHVH WHICH HE HATES, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods**. 32 **Whatever thing I command you, OBSERVE TO DO IT: YOU SHALL NOT ADD THERETO, NOR DIMINISH FROM IT**.

We have to understand that by believing that **THE ARMOUR OF YHVH**, which are clearly described as **THE GARMENTS OF THE HIGH PRIEST, IF** one cares to search the Scriptures to find the **TRUTH**, and **SUBSTITUTING THE GARMENTS OF THE HIGH PRIEST AND SAYING THAT THE ARMOUR OF YHVH IS A PICTURE OF THE ARMOUR OF A ROMAN SOLDIER, THEN THE CHURCH FATHER'S ARE ADDING** to the Word of YHVH and **DIMINISHING** it's effectiveness in the lives of believers, and YHVH **WILL NOT STAND FOR THAT**. Amein

*Studying and keeping Torah together as a community.*

*Have a great Elohim blessed week and may Yahweh bless your every thought, and your every deed. Until we meet again, שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵיכֶם, Shalom Aleykem. Amein*