



Topic: "Identifying with Messiah Yahshua" Pt 7  
Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:12  
Definition: "Called to Persecution"

## Identifying with Messiah Yahshua

- Part 1: Yahshua's Unity with YHWH the Father
- Part 2: Yahshua aligned His will with the Father's will.
- Part 3: Yahshua walked in the Light, the Father's instructions
- Part 4: Walking in Newness of Life (walking in the Spirit!)
- Part 5: Looking at Yahshua's "Life & Conduct"
- Part 6: Fruits of the Spirit

### ***Part 7: Called to Persecution***

When we are delivered from the penalty of death for our crimes against YHWH, because Yahshua paid the price for us, we are called to walk as He (Yahshua) walked. To walk a life that brings glory and honor to the Father.



We are no longer our own. We have been bought with a price. Earlier lessons we looked at those teachings and instructions from the Father.

However, further study into today's 'church' shows a much different story than that of our Messiah. Remember Yahshua came to only do the will of His Father. The instructions the Father gave from the beginning, a God who changes not, is as relevant today as it was when it was first revealed to mankind.

Today the enemy has craft-fully deceived believers to think that accepting Yahshua for the forgiveness of our sins gives us the liberty to do whatever we want based on our beliefs and interpretations of Scriptures. Beliefs that are church doctrines that are in direct opposition to what Scripture.

### ***Here are some Quotes that are popular in Christianity today that propitiate lies...***

"God loves us too much to indulge our every whim." Max Lucado

- Why does he care about the number of the hairs on our head? Is Yahweh not more than capable to know and be intimately involved in our lives? Often true love expressed in the little things.



“God’s greatest attribute is not his power, though it is omniscience; not his glory, though it is burning majesty: it is his love.” Al Bryant

- The Father doesn’t have one quality of character or might that is greater than the other. He Is! Each part of the Father is exhibited in the fullness of who He is. All of the Father’s attributes work in harmony with each other and are equal beyond our understanding.

“God is love, and as pure love, He is always inclusive, and I believe that we should be, too.” Mary Vasques

- He’s where we often go wrong. The Father does love all of His creation. He’s not willing that any should perish. However, Mary’s belief here negates the Scriptural fact that YHWH is sovereign. He is going to destroy those who practice evil. He tells His people to not live the same lifestyle as the world. He commanded Israel to kick the people out of His land and if they didn’t go they were to be killed. Does that sound like He is all inclusive? I think not.

“By the time kids are five I want them to know three things - God made me. God loves me. Jesus wants to be my friend forever.” Carey Nieuwhof

- By five kids are able to comprehend far more than just a few clichés we throw out there. Yahshua is far more than just their friend, He is their salvation. He is their King, He is the very Son of YHWH. He is the very expression of YHWH’s love. We have dumbed down the gospel so much we have no sustenance to what we are saying. Stretch children and adults to reach high to the Father. It’s an exercise with eternal value.



“I’m absolutely convinced that nothing - nothing living or dead, angelic or demonic, today or tomorrow, high or low, thinkable or unthinkable - absolutely nothing can get between us and God’s love because of the way that Jesus our Master has embraced us.” Mary DeMuth

- Speaking of the Father’s characteristic of Love that statement is mostly true. Speaking of how we accept that love is a whole different matter. We can refuse His love no matter how much He exhibits it, distributes it, bestows it. If we reject it we don’t reap the benefits of it. Yahshua speaking of YHWH’s chosen (those who believe in Him [Hebrews/Israel: both native born and grafted in]), “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!” KJV

“As a pastor once said, we must love the sinner but not accept the sin. We have to accept the person and love them, after all God does.” Jason Ponzi

Careful how you quote God! Make sure you know what your talking about...

**YHWH's Word says...(28 verses, both Older and Newer Testimony)**

**YHWH hates the sinners**

YHWH HATES ALL WORKERS OF INIQUITY Psalms 5:5

THE BIBLE SAYS YAHWEH HATES SINNERS, NOT JUST THE SIN:



Leviticus 20:23: And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nations which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I ABHORRED THEM.

Leviticus 26:14-30: If ye will not hearken unto Me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise My statutes, or if your soul abhor My judgments, so that ye will not do all My commandments, but that ye break My covenant, I also will do this to you... [send plagues, famine, drought, destructive armies, wild beasts who shall devour your children, pestilence, captivity in a cruel land...] And if ye will not for all this hearken unto Me, but walk contrary to Me; Then I WILL WALK CONTRARY TO YOU IN FURY... I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols, and MY SOUL SHALL ABHOR YOU.

Deuteronomy 18:12 For all that do these things are an ABOMINATION TO THE LORD, and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

Deuteronomy 25:16: ...ALL THAT DO UNRIGHTEOUSLY ARE AN ABOMINATION UNTO THE LORD.

Deuteronomy 28:62-63: Because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the Lord thy God... it shall come to pass, that as the Lord rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the Lord will REJOICE OVER YOU TO DESTROY YOU, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it. (In Deuteronomy 27, 28, and 29, 124 CURSES are promised upon the Israelites who refused to obey Gods commandments.)

Deuteronomy 32:16-20: They provoked Him to jealousy with strange gods, with abominations they provoked Him to ANGER... And when the Lord saw it [people sacrificing to devils - v.17], HE ABHORRED THEM...

Psalms 2:4-9: The Lord that sits in the heavens shall LAUGH [at rebellious men]: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall He speak unto them in His WRATH, and VEX THEM IN HIS SORE DISPLEASURE... [and Christ shall] break them with a rod of iron: Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potters vessel.

Psalm 5:5-6: The foolish shall not stand in Thy sight: THOU HATEST ALL WORKERS OF INIQUITY. Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing (lies): THE LORD WILL ABHOR THE BLOODY AND DECEITFUL MAN.

Psalm 7:11-13: ...God is ANGRY with the wicked every day. If he turn not, He will whet His sword; He hath bent His bow, and made it ready. He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; He ordaineth His arrows against the persecutors.

Psalm 10:3: For the wicked... blesseth the covetous, WHOM THE LORD ABHORRETH.

Psalm 11:5-7: The Lord trieth the righteous: but THE WICKED AND HIM THAT LOVETH VIOLENCE HIS SOUL HATETH. Upon the wicked He shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup. For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness...

Psalm 50:22: Now consider this, ye that forget God, LEST I TEAR YOU IN PIECES, AND THERE BE NONE TO DELIVER.

Psalm 78:59: When God heard this He was wroth, and GREATLY ABHORRED ISRAEL.

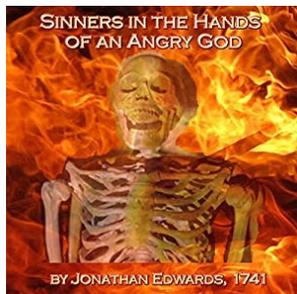
Psalm 106:40: Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against His people, insomuch that HE ABHORRED HIS OWN INHERITANCE.

Proverbs 3:32-33: For the froward is an ABOMINATION TO THE LORD... The CURSE OF THE LORD is in the house of the wicked: but He blesseth the habitation of the just.

Proverbs 6:16-19: These six things doth THE LORD HATE: yea, seven are AN ABOMINATION TO HIM... A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among the brethren.

Proverbs 16:5: Every one that is proud in heart is an ABOMINATION TO THE LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

Proverbs 17:5: He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are ABOMINATION TO THE LORD.



Proverbs 22:14: The soul of strange women is a deep pit: HE THAT IS ABHORRED OF THE LORD shall fall therein.

Jeremiah 17:5: Thus saith the Lord, CURSED BE THE MAN that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.

Hosea 9:15: All their wickedness is in Gilgal: for there I HATED THEM: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of

Mine house, I WILL LOVE THEM NO MORE...

Malachi 1:3-4: And I HATED ESAU, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness...thus saith the Lord of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and the people AGAINST WHOM THE LORD HATH INDIGNATION FOREVER.

Romans 9:13: As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but ESAU HAVE I HATED.

I Corinthians 16:22: If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be ANATHEMA MARANATHA [which means ACCURSED, THE LORD COMETH].

James 4:4: Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that friendship of the world is ENMITY (or HATRED) WITH GOD? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is an ENEMY OF GOD.

I Peter 3:12: For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers: but THE FACE OF THE LORD IS AGAINST THEM THAT DO EVIL.

Revelation 14:10-11: [Sinners] shall drink of the wine of the WRATH OF GOD, which is poured without mixture into the cup of HIS INDIGNATION; and he shall be TORMENTED WITH FIRE AND BRIMSTONE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY ANGELS, AND IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LAMB; And the smoke of their TORMENT ascendeth up for ever and ever; and they have NO REST DAY NOR NIGHT...

### **The all-to-often thought of the teachings found in churches today...**

*When I do good,  
I feel good.*

*When I do bad,  
I feel bad.*

*That's my religion.*

-Abraham Lincoln

“He soon developed a style of his own, relying less on the Bible and more on stories about people who had triumphed over great hardship.” Speaking of Joel Osteen in the Houston Chronicle.

He became more life coach than theologian, extolling the power of positive thinking in revealing God's plan. Interpretations of the Scriptures, with their wrenching dramas and divine mysteries, became simpler and fewer.

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Miles McPherson has it right...”Having God’s unconditional love does not mean you have God’s unconditional approval.”

“If you know that God loves you, you should never question a directive from Him. It will always be right and best. When He gives you a directive, you are not just to observe it, discuss it, or debate it, you are to Obey it.” Henry Blackaby

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**What does Yahshua say to His disciples?** (and by-the-way if you and I are His disciple [true believers in Him for our deliverance] these apply to you as well.)

Hear Messiah teach us the Father’s Will and how it applies and effects us today...

Matthew 5:10-12 “Blessed are they who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake! For theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are you when they shall curse you, and persecute you, and shall say every evil word against you, lying, on account of Me. Rejoice and leap for joy, for your reward is great in Heaven; for in this way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”



Luke 6:22-23 “Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they cut you off, and will reproach you, and will cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man; rejoice in that day, and leap for joy; for, behold, your reward is much in Heaven! For their fathers did according to these things to the prophets.”

Mark 10:29-30 “But answering, Yahshua said, Truly I say to you, There is no one who forsook house, or brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My sake and the good news, that will not receive a hundred-fold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the coming age, eternal life.”

Matthew 10:22 “And you will be hated by all on account of My name, but the one enduring to the end shall be saved.”

Mark 13:13 “And you will be hated by all on account of My name. But the one who endures to the end, that one will be kept safe.”

Luke 21:17 “And you will be hated by all because of My name.”

Matthew 24:9 “Then they will deliver you up to affliction, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name.”



John 15:18, 21, 25

15:18 "If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before you."

15:21 "But all these things they will do to you on account of My name, because they do not know the One who sent Me."

15:25 "But that may be fulfilled the Word that has been written in their Torah, "They hated Me without a reason." (Psa. 69:4)



***Shaul (Paul) declares...***

2 Timothy 3:12 "Likewise, all those desiring to live a righteous life in Messiah Yahshua will be persecuted."

Galatians 4:16 "Have I become an enemy to you because I proclaimed to you the truth?"

***Peter declares....***

1 Peter 5:8-9 "Be sensible, watch, because your adversary the Devil walks about as a roaring lion seeking someone he may devour; therefore resist him, being steadfast in the faith: and know that the same sufferings befall your brethren that are in the world."

***Ya'akov (James) declares...***

James 4:4 "Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that the friendship of the world is enmity with Elohim? Whoever, then, purposes to be a friend of the world is an enemy to Elohim."



Next week: Dying to self