

# YAIY NEWS



Elohim is Spirit, and those who worship Him need to worship in Spirit and Truth.

John 4:24 TS

## Love in the Spirit

*Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened, Matthew 7:7–8 ESV.*

Do we believe Yahshua's own words here and what He is telling us? He is saying that everyone that asks receives. We have to consider this in context of Scripture. We can ask for many things. We can even ask for a gift that will help the brethren and others in general.

When we say "in context of Scripture," we cannot ask for things which are sinful or unlawful.

We also must consider what we're asking for. Is it a selfish request or one that will help others? Believing, without doubting, of course, is also a necessity. And, when we ask, it cannot be with the following attributes: Sinful; Unlawful; Forbidden; Self-Seeking; Self-Gratifying; Selfish; Unbelieving; Doubtful; Without Faith; Fleshly.

### Confirmation

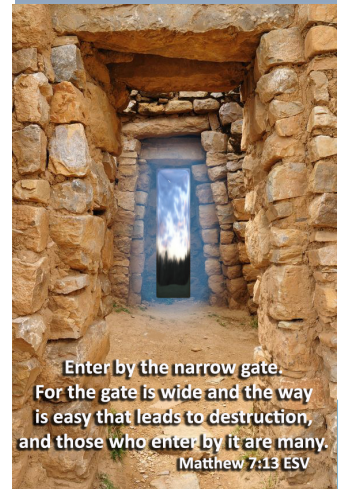
It's interesting that when we search for verses to prove these points, it is James that confirms them. As it turns out, it wasn't just Paul who had to set the brethren straight in many areas of their lives. James, too, has some harsh words to get the brethren's attention as well as the dispersion (James 1:1).

We read in James 4:2–3 NASB, *You lust and do not have; so you commit murder. You are envious and cannot obtain; so you fight and quarrel. You do not have because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.*

A fitting word to speak to all the peoples of this country and abroad. He says earlier in his letter, *...if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of Yahweh, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Master, James 1:5–7 NASB.*

So why should we ask for spiritual gifts? In part, James also answers this, by saying, *Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no change, nor shadow of turning, James 1:17 TS.*

It's a good thing to receive a good and perfect gift, the main one being a portion of the Spirit itself. But the Spirit provides us with teachers and evan-



Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. Matthew 7:13 ESV

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## Love in the Spirit...,cont.

gelist and others to help us be united in the body of Messiah, in the love of Yahweh.

### Love Above All

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Messiah's have impaled the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit, Galatians 5:22–26 KJV.*

The fruit, singular, is given as love. The other things are connected to it, but if you have them in abundance, then you have love in abundance.

Having Messiah rule our lives from within, means we're impaling or putting to the stake the deeds of the flesh and the lusts thereof.

If we are submitting to the Love within us, that is Messiah according to Yahweh's Spirit, then we will not be fulfilling our own lusts or things contrary to the law of Yahweh. There is no law within Yahweh's law saying you cannot express meekness, there are no laws against self-control. The idea is that the Spirit gives us self-control along with meekness and all the other attributes associated with the Spirit, none of which are unlawful.

This is why, among the gifts of the Spirit, Paul tells us to seek after love most of all, and that it is better and above the rest. And this is not just his understanding. Peter also has a list in which he sets love as the main goal (2 Pet. 1:5-7), because true love incorporates all of the other attributes he mentioned.

"...earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way," 1 Corinthians 12:31 ESV. Paul then goes on in chapter 13 to explain that love is paramount.

*If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing, 1 Corinthians 13:1–2 NASB.*

This is really profound, and many take this to mean, loving feelings toward one another and that the law is no longer needed.

### True Love

But "true love" means we keep the 7<sup>th</sup> day holy and it means keeping our temple undefiled and clean by not eating pork or other designated unclean things that Yahweh has forbidden as food for human consumption. It means calling upon His Name and not following the traditions of men who end up breaking Yahweh's commandments by keeping their traditions.

The Spirit working within us in strength, should alert us and keep us from walking in former lusts of the flesh and errors of the traditions of men. Messiah will bring to our minds the Word of Yahweh so we can follow it and be in-line with true love.

*If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing, 1 Corinthians 13:3 ESV.*

Paul emphasizes throughout this chapter how important it is to express love in our lives and to seek it with earnest. The idea of his body being burned is better translated in the NIV as follows: *If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing, 1 Corinthians 13:3 NIV.*

The scholars here must have realized that the Aramaic word used was *yaqad*, which can mean either "to burn" or "to boast." It is most likely better translated in context here as "to boast."



## Love in the Spirit...,cont.

It's interesting that many scholars still keep with the tradition that the New Testament was originally in Greek, when the evidence clearly points to a Semitic origin.

### In Conclusion

In conclusion, it is appropriate to ask for gifts from above. Keep in mind, however, as we walk through this life and toward the next, we are not only to pay attention and obey every word that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh, as Yahshua said (Matt. 4:4), but we are also to seek to walk in the Spirit.

This, along with obedience, allows us to express the true love thereof which we find exemplified in Messiah Yahshua. Let's walk as He did and still does, as He continues to live His life in us, through the gift and love of the Spirit. Let's also not forget that Yahweh is Love. *Beloved ones, let us love one another, because love is of Elohim, and everyone who loves has been born of Elohim, and knows Elohim. The one who does not love does not know Elohim, for Elohim is Love,* 1 John 4:7-8 TS.

Elder David Brett

## Trip to Australia

Please pray for us and for Australia. Currently we do not have a travel date, but are tentatively planning for an elder to be in Melbourne, Australia, before this year's end. If you are in Australia (or New Zealand) and have been interested in being baptized into Yahshua's Name, pre-counseling is now available to you via Skype, telephone, and/or e-mail. We thank you for your prayers and consideration in this matter. And, as always, praise Yahweh!



Yahweh's Assembly In Yahshua  
is planning a trip to:

MELBOURNE

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Australia

## The Word to the World

We were able to send out boxes of the YAIY Beacon Magazine, all going overseas, here last month. Praise Yahweh, we were also able this month to send out the newest ones.

In sending these out, we're reminded of what Yahweh's purpose is for the tithes and offerings. It is for building the Spiritual Temple of Yahweh.

## Temple Law Changed; Tithing Remains

The law of circumcision and animal offerings has come to an end in the Messiah. All of the temple requirements have been met in the Messiah Who fulfilled these "shadows" of the Levitical priesthood. However, the tithing law still stands, for the Melchizedek priesthood has replaced the Levitical. Yahweh is now building a Spiritual Temple for Himself, and the tithes and offerings collectively build the Temple.

From Genesis to Revelation the theme of overcoming our carnal nature of satisfying the lusts of the flesh and the pride of life are evident on every page. Yahweh's commandments are given us so that we will grow to be more like Him. His laws have as their ultimate goal to change us, to put Yahweh and our fellow believers first.

His laws are as necessary and good for us today as they were when He gave them to Israel at Sinai. Just as a parent has rules for the good of the son and daughter, Yahweh has rules for us. We are to stay out of the way of the Evil One, not to lower our standards to the world's but to elevate them to Yahweh's plane. In giving His people His holy law, Yahweh showed the way to an abundant, joy-filled, and productive life. And those who remained faithful would receive everlasting life.

Excerpt from: The Temple Tenth

## Prayer List

Dolores Parker, Terrell Frasure, David & Barbara Creel, Charlie Pelton, Robert Dorchester, R.C. Fernald Family/Friends, Karen van Schalkwyk, Robert Creech, Elder Lionel and Sandra Gets, Diana Murphy, Stella Rogers, Sean Rogers and Family, Loretta Reyes and Family, Michael Hutchinson, Georgiana Greene and Family, Linda Franchino, Al J. Pagano, Lois Firth, Hap Tew, Richard Rodriguez and Family, Kathy English, Jeff Gilman, Arthur Journey, Mark Strahan, Michael Davis, Shirley Morin, Mae Flowers, Alice Goodchild, Merle Tyler, Heidi Fleischmann, Chauncey Hargrove, Dirkie & Francious Swarts, Jordan Vira and Family, Olivier B. Muzima, Estevan Garcia and Family, Winifred Marie, Charles Scott Jr. and Sr., David & Nancy Wilson Family/Friends, Audrey Wilkes, Adeline Black, Audrey Steadman, Adi Stahlin, Mary Giles, Kareem Greene Family/Friends, Ja'Quon & Schosche MucSarney, Rueben & Desire McIntyre, Henry Sunderman and Family, Tisha Palmory, Victor Kiiru, Kenya Evalo Washington, Roger Norman, Ngozi Anyaegbu Ikeogu, Onwuchekwa Veronica Nneamaka, Ememka John Wade, Errol Hunt, Chris and Marisca Barnard, Michael Johnson, Bob Covey, George and Kenya Washington, Terryn Willard, individuals seeking Yahweh from within prison facilities and for their families. Overseas brethren and the peace of Jerusalem.



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