



MATTHEW 6

The Lilies of The Valley

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A New Beginning

New beginning requires a personal spiritual sacrifice. Repentance is an opportunity of acknowledgement of sins and wrongs in order to ask forgiveness or offer forgiveness before a new beginning can make way.

We all know that rejection hurts and it can cause long term damage until the mind let go and found complete surrendered peace. It can also inflict damage to our psychological well-being that goes beyond emotional pain.

We can relive and re-experience the pain of being rejected or not accepted more vividly than we can physical pain. Our brain does not process emotional pain and physical pain identically but prioritizes rejection experiences because we are created with the need of companionship.

Rejection destabilizes our "need to belong." We all have a fundamental need to belong to a family or a friendship. The desire is for someone who can relate to our needs and love us unconditionally.

Feeling alone and disconnected after a rejection, has an overlooked impact on a person's behavior. Rejection can turn into surges of anger, aggression, rebellion and often cause a health problem. Suffering from continues rejection destroy a person's self-esteem. Often these people will find themselves either as attention seekers or retracting from society. Sadly some will often go to the extend to take their own life.

Everyone makes mistakes and some are hidden, while others exposed. Sometimes the ver same mistakes are repeated patterns that cause a typical addiction.

While a person acknowledge their wrongdoing and repent about it, others will be bystanders waiting to keep judgment.

There is an old saying, "I can forgive, but I can't forget". This is one of the worst things to say because forgiveness is about beginning a new way. Starting a new beginning is to let the old go and never to return to it.

To keep judging a person for their former mistakes, you indeed place them in bondage and return them into the hands of the enemy.

Matthew 7 :1-4

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?"

Let us begin by stressing the importance of forgiveness that is commanded.

Colossians 3:13

and YHVH will bless you when you forgive those who have sinned against you.

Forgiveness decreases resentment. Like water on fire, forgiveness extinguishes bitterness and resentment by eliminating its fuel.

When you forgive someone, you do not excuse their actions, but you refuse to use their actions as a weapon against them. It involves an intentional decision to not dwell on the offense, but to hand the resentment and the punishment over to YHVH.

When resentment decreases, peace increases. Forgiveness increases awareness of our own sin. As our love for YHVH grows, our desire to please Him will grow as well.

Forgiveness promotes the love for YHVH and others. YHVH modeled the act of forgiveness of our sins. He handles the punishment and does not dwell on our sin.

As the son do what the Father does, Yeshua HaMashiach taught us the way of love is to be prepared to lay down your life for another. Yeshua asked YHVH on the stake of the cross to forgive those who persecute him.

Yeshua became a living sacrifice for the Atonement of sins. A few Hebrew words like Kaphar means to make atonement, or make reconciliation. The price of a life or a ransom is known in Hebrew as "Kopher" which is in a shape of a Mercy seat. The word "Kippur" is translated as purge, atone, expiate, and propitiate. Yeshua took possession of the sins of the world and by his blood on the Mercy seat, he made atonement by the price of his life in return of our salvation.

The Kapporet played an important role in the Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) ceremony.

We are reminded of Afrikaans word koffer which is the square shaped holder (suitcase) that keeps our possessions safe.

Colossians 3:13 tells us to forgive as we have been forgiven.

True forgiveness is an intentional decision that encourage the necessary step in reconciliation bringing the lost back home.

We cant hide our sins and it is required that there must be repentance. An error covered up may be much more difficult to deal with later.

The best learning experiences come out of learning from errors.

Think about building constructors making a mistake with a foundation. As they keep quiet about it and hope for the best, it might fail later into a greater disaster.

1 Peter 2:5

You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Yeshua HaMashiach."

Proverbs 10:17

People who accept discipline are on the pathway to life, but those who ignore correction will go astray.

It is better to encourage another and build up instead of breaking down.

Romans 15:5

May YHVH who gives endurance and encouragement, give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Yeshua HaMashiach had."

2 Corinthians 4

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

2 Corinthians 12:9

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Yeshua's power may rest on me.

The High Priest had access once a year on Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) to the Holy of Holies. To enter in, the High Priest would go through the Parokhet (veil or curtain) that separated this holiest of places from the rest of the Temple.

Because of the sacrifice that YHVH's Son made for us, we now have direct access to the Father through the Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit) that same Spirit that once dwelled solely on the Mercy Seat in the ancient Temple.

With the day of Atonement following soon, let us remember forgiveness is a commandment and token of the purest form of true love.

Lesson continue.

Be blessed and stay blessed 🌷