

Living Waters and Quenching the Spirit

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Shabbat Shalom Brethren,

Anger and quenching the spirit.

Brethren I have had a dispute going on the past few weeks which has angered me and upset me a great deal. In the heat of the argument I have said things I later regretted. But it was too late as those things had already gone out from me.

I have hated myself during this time. I have asked why has this happened a hundred times and thought no answer was coming. I remembered I had asked Yehovah to show me my secret sins. He now has. I was shown in one day by a few Christian radio shows what it was I had to learn; why my brethren and I were going through this.

We have all seen it in most of the ministries as a dispute arises and tempers flare and then words are exchanged and then volumes of hate thrown at each other like there was not tomorrow. Only to wake up the day after, like you had a hangover with the worst taste in your mouth.

It mattered not who was right now; the initial cause was no longer important; but how are you going to exact revenge is all that now counts. And all these evil thoughts flood into your mind every day you do not address the issues. Satan has now gotten a toe hold on your mind and the longer it goes on the better grip he is able to secure.

Mat 5:21 "You heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder,' and whoever murders shall be liable to judgment. 22 "But I say to you that whoever is wroth with his brother without a cause shall be liable to judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raka!' shall be liable to the Sanhedrin. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be liable to fire of Gehenna. 23 "If, then, you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother holds whatever against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar, and go, first make peace with your brother, and then come and offer your gift. 25 "Be well-minded with your opponent, promptly, while you are on the way with him, lest your opponent deliver you to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and you be thrown into prison. 26 "Truly, I say to you, you shall by no means get out of there till you have paid the last penny.

This teaching that Yeshua spoke here to the Pharisees is for us today to take heed of. Why should we pay attention?

So many times I have read this and never gave it any thought as I was not a murderer and therefore it did not apply to me; but now because of this dispute I have come to realize I am a murderer.

When we murder or get angry at our brethren we are in fact murdering the image of Yehovah.

Gen 9:6 "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood is shed, for in the image of Elohim has He made man.

The reason we are not to murder is because we are made in the image of Yehovah. It is an insult to Yehovah to kill another human who is made in His image.

We are told in Exo 20:13 "You do not murder

It does not refer to war or state execution, but murder by you upon a victim; planned in advanced and executed for the purpose of killing another person.

Exo 21:14 "But when a man acts presumptuously against his neighbour, to kill him by treachery, you are to take him even from My altar to die.

Num 35:16 'But if he has smitten him with an instrument of iron, so that he dies, he is a murderer. The murderer shall certainly be put to death. 17 'And if he has smitten him with a stone in the hand, by which one could die, and he does die, he is a murderer. The murderer shall certainly be put to death. 18 'Or if he has smitten him with a wooden instrument that could kill, and he does die, he is a murderer. The murderer shall certainly be put to death. 19 'The revenger of blood himself puts the murderer to death. When he meets him, he puts him to death. 20 'And if he thrusts him through in hatred, or throws an object at him while lying in wait, so that he dies, 21 or in enmity he smites him with his hand so that he dies, the one who smote him shall certainly be put to death, for he is a murderer. The revenger of blood puts the murderer to death when he meets him.

Gen 4:8 And Qayin told Hebel his brother. And it came to be when they were in the field, that Qayin rose up against Hebel his brother and killed him. 9 And Yehovah said to Qayin, "Where is

Hebel your brother?" And he said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's guard?" 10 And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground. 11 "And now you are cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.

Anyone who uses an object to kill is a murderer and this urge to murder comes from Satan.

Joh 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you wish to do. He

was a murderer from the beginning, and has not stood in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks the lie, he speaks of his own, for he is a liar and the father of it.

The weapon of choice does not have to be of iron or wood or stone, it can also be the tongue.

Jas 3:1 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, knowing that we shall receive greater judgment. 2 For we all stumble in many matters. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the entire body. 3 Look, we put bits in the mouths of horses, for them to obey us, and we turn their body. 4 Look at the ships too: although they are so big and are driven by strong winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot intends. 5 So too the tongue is a little member, yet boasts greatly. See how a little fire kindles a great forest! 6 And the tongue is a fire, the world of unrighteousness. Among our members the tongue is set, the one defiling the entire body, and setting on fire the wheel of life, and it is set on fire by Gehenna. 7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. 8 But no man is able to tame the tongue. It is unruly, evil, filled with deadly poison. 9 With it we bless our Elohim and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of Elohim. 10 Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brothers, this should not be so. 11 Does the fountain send forth the sweet and the bitter from the same opening? 12 My brothers, is a fig tree able to bear olives, or a grapevine figs? So neither is a fountain able to make salt and sweet water. 13 Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by his good behavior his works in meekness of wisdom. 14 But if you have bitter jealousy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast against and lie against the truth. 15 This is not the wisdom coming down from above, but it is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. 16 For where jealousy and self-seeking are, there is confusion and every foul deed. 17 But the wisdom from above is first clean, then peaceable, gentle, ready to obey, filled with compassion and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. 18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.
Footnote: 1Philip 1:1.

Our anger comes from an unclean heart. This is where all our problems all our sins come from.

Mat 15:19 "For out of the heart come forth wicked reasonings, murders, adulteries, whorings, thefts, false witnessing, slanders.

Brethren if we do not fix this corrupted way of life; if we fall into corruption and just decide to stay there then Yehovah will allow us to get our stomachs full of the corruption we have allowed ourselves to dwell in.

Rom 1:28 And even as they did not think it worth- while to possess the knowledge of Elohim, Elohim gave them over to a worthless mind, to do what is improper, 29 having been filled with all unrighteousness, whoring, wickedness, greed, evil; filled with envy, murder, fighting, deceit, evil habits; whisperers, 30 slanderers, haters of Elohim, insolent, proud, boasters, devisers of evils, disobedient to parents, 31 without discernment, covenant breakers, unloving, unforgiving, ruthless; 32 who, though they know the righteousness of Elohim, that those who

practice such deserve death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.

Gal 5:19 And the works of the flesh are well-known, which are these: adultery,¹ whoring, uncleanness, indecency, Footnote: ¹Only Textus Receptus contains adultery. ²⁰ idolatry, drug sorcery, hatred, quarrels, jealousies, fits of rage, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, murders, drunkenness, wild parties, and the like – of which I forewarn you, even as I also said before, that those who practice such as these shall not inherit the reign of Elohim.¹ Footnote: ¹¹ Cor. 6:10.

All of us need to read this again. If we allow our hearts to dwell on these things, then we will not be in the kingdom of Yehovah. This is very serious and if your anger is out of control you are in danger. Think about what you have just read; hatred, quarrels, jealousies, fits of rage, envy all add up to murders. I know this does not apply to any of you but it has applied to me and I have not known it until now. And murder is an abomination to Yehovah, even when it is in the infant stage just in your mind as hatred; it is an abomination.

Pro 6:16 These six matters Yehovah hates, And seven are an abomination to Him:
Pro 6:17 A proud look, A lying tongue, And hands shedding innocent blood,
Pro 6:18 A heart devising wicked schemes, Feet quick to run to evil,
Pro 6:19 A false witness breathing out lies, And one who causes strife among brothers.

Rev 22:14 “Blessed are those¹ doing His commands,² so that the authority shall be theirs unto the tree of life, and to enter through the gates into the city. Footnotes: ¹See Mt. 19:17. ²Long before the books were compiled to form “The New Testament,” Rev. 22:14 was quoted, as it is here given, by Tertullian (CE 208), and by Cyprian (CE 251) – see the well-known Antenicene Fathers.

Rev 22:15 “But outside are the dogs and those who enchant with drugs, and those who whore, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and all who love and do falsehood.¹ Footnote: ¹See 21:27, ² Thess. 2:11.

If we continue to fight and be angry with each other then we will not be eating of the tree of life. Do we get it? Do I get it? This article is written to me as much and more so than it is for you.

Mat 5:21 “You heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder,’ and whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.

Mat 5:22 “But I say to you that whoever is wroth with his brother without a cause shall be liable to judgment. And whoever says to his brother, ‘Raka!’ shall be liable to the Sanhedrin. But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ shall be liable to fire of Gehenna.

Because they did not murder is one way they convinced themselves they were righteous. What Yehshua is showing them is that you are not righteous just because you kept the letter of the law and did not murder. But if in your heart are all these hatreds and angers and schemes to

cause trouble then you are just as guilty as if you had murdered the people you are doing this to.

Mat 5:20 “For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees,¹ you shall by no means enter into the reign of the heavens. Footnote: 1Mt. 15:3-9, Mk. 7:7-13, John 7:19, Acts 7:53, Rom. 2:23-27, Gal. 6:13.

Not murdering is not enough. You have to check your heart. Your view of yourself is not enough. Because you have not done evil is not enough. Rabbinic tradition is what Yeshua is referring to. You shall not kill and because many people do not murder they believe they are righteous because they have obeyed the letter of the law. But the torah does not go far enough is what Yeshua is showing them and us. We have to check our hearts. The reason why is explained in Mathew.

Mat 22:36 “Teacher, which is the great command in the Torah?” 37 And Yeshua said to him, “‘You shall love Yehovah your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your being, and with all your mind.’ 38 “This is the first and great command. 39 “And the second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ 40 “On these two commands hang all the Torah and the Prophets.”

We are to love Elohim with a clean heart and with all of our heart. If our heart is corrupted and seeks evil on our brethren then how can we love Yehovah?

Judgement refers to the local court.

So the teaching they had was that if you murder you will be in judgement of the civil court. Do you know what is wrong with that? It does not go far enough.

They were saying don't kill because you will get in trouble with the local court. It stops short of intents of the mind and the inward parts.

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It is the issue of anger and hatred in your heart. If this is in your heart you are the same as a murderer.

We hate people, we get so angry with people and we detest people. Anyone who is angry with his brother is guilty of murder and as such we are subject to be executed. It does not matter whether or not you kill someone, but what matters is what is in your heart.

1Jn 3:15 Everyone hating his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has everlasting life staying in him.

We all justify ourselves. We consider ourselves good no matter how bad we have been. No one can see themselves for what they are but we all can see just how bad everyone else is. In truth we are worse than those we point the finger at. Think about this.

Everyone in prison is innocent, but the guy in cell block 38; he is the real bad one. The rest of us have been wrongly misunderstood.

Yehshua strips us stark naked and shows us for what we are; we are all murderers. Hate brings you nearer to murder than any other emotion. Hate is the extension of anger and it leads to murder and it will eat you alive on the inside.

Who so ever is angry will be in danger of judgement. This is serious. This is not talking about righteous indignation. We ought not to be so complacent that nothing gets us upset. But we who are supposed to be walking this way of life should not be getting angry with our brothers because they differ in their understanding of the scriptures. Argue the scriptures and do not hate the person. Do not throw insults at the person because you have no scriptural support for your position. Hate the sin but not the person, because you too were just like that person a short while ago and may still be just like them now.

Eph 4:26 "Be wroth, but do not sin." Do not let the sun go down on your rage, 27 nor give place to the devil.

Something has happened and you are hopping angry with a brother. Do not hold a grudge, or hold on to bitterness and if you do you are as guilty as one who murders and are subject for execution. You are allowing Satan to take up a place in your emotions.

Whoever says to his brother, 'Raka!' shall be liable to the Sanhedrin That is one who curses another, with the poison under the tongue cast at someone else. If you have contempt towards another, you too are guilty of murder and subject to the execution.

But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be liable to fire of Gehenna. A fool was one who rebelled against Yehovah. So if you do this out of hatred then you are once again found guilty and should be executed.

Mat 5:23 "If, then, you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother holds whatever against you,²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar, and go, first make peace with your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Reconciliation is more important than the sacrifice. The state of the heart is more important than your righteous appearance. We all need to work on our heart before we can go and pray to our Father.

Let me say this again brethren. I have struggled with this. I feel I am right in my indignation and justified to be angry at those who have offended me. I am right and I am going to stay here and continue to be right. But Yehovah says if our brother is angry with you then you must leave your gift or the prayers we are trying to offer up and go and repair the damage. I really hate

this and do not want to do it. And yet this is exactly what we are told to do. To repair the breach that has developed.

Our prayers which are our burnt offerings of our lips; our gifts will not be heard or accepted until we do make amends.

Because of our anger we have become murderers and have blood on our hands.

Isa 1:11 "Of what use to Me are your many slaughterings?" declares Yehovah. "I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts. I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs or goats. 12 "When you come to appear before Me, who has required this from your hand, to trample My courtyards? 13 "Stop bringing futile offerings, incense, it is an abomination to Me. New Moons, Sabbaths, the calling of meetings – I am unable to bear unrighteousness and assembly. 14 "My being hates your New Moons and your appointed times, they are a trouble to Me, I am weary of bearing them. 15 "And when you spread out your hands, I hide My eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I do not hear. Your hands have become filled with blood. 16 "Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes. Stop doing evil! 17 "Learn to do good! Seek right-ruling, reprove the oppressor, defend the fatherless, plead for the widow. 18 "Come now, and let us reason together," says Yehovah. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool. 19 "If you submit and obey, you shall eat the good of the land; 20 but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword," for the mouth of Yehovah has spoken.

Did you catch that? If you refuse to submit and you refuse to reason together but rebel then the sword is coming for you. Stop and think about this. In the current Sabbatical cycle we are going into a time when brother will betray brother which is the current Sabbatical cycle. We will be hated and murdered for His name.

But the next Sabbatical cycle is the one of the sword which is war and it is coming to those who will not obey, who hate and refuse to come to the wedding feast.

Mat 24:7 "For nation shall rise against nation, and reign against reign. And there shall be scarcities of food, and deadly diseases, and earthquakes in places. 8 "And all these are the beginning of birth pains. 9 "Then they shall deliver you up to affliction and kill you, and you shall be hated by all nations for My Name's sake. 10 "And then many shall stumble, and they shall deliver up one another, and shall hate one another. 11 "And many false prophets shall rise up and lead many astray. 12 "And because of the increase in lawlessness, the love of many shall become cold.

Mat 10:16 "See, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. 17 "But beware of men, for they shall deliver you up to sanhedrins and flog you in their congregations. 18 "And you shall be brought before governors and sovereigns for My sake, as a witness to them and to the gentiles. 19 "But when they deliver you up, do not worry about how or what you should speak. For it shall be given to you in that hour what you shall speak, 20 for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking in you. 21

“And brother shall deliver up brother to death, and a father his child. And children shall rise up against parents and shall put them to death. 22 “And you shall be hated by all for My Name’s sake. But he who shall have endured to the end shall be saved.¹ Footnote: ¹See 24:13. 23 “And when they persecute you in this city, flee to another. For truly, I say to you, you shall by no means have gone through the cities of Yisra’el before the Son of Adam comes. 24 “A taught one is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. 25 “It is enough for the taught one to become like his teacher, and a servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more those of his household! 26 “Therefore do not fear them. For whatever is covered shall be revealed, and whatever is hidden shall be made known.

Isaiah then goes on to tell us what will happen when we do turn from our anger and make peace with our brother.

Isa 58:5 “Is it a fast that I have chosen, a day for a man to afflict his being? Is it to bow down his head like a bulrush, and to spread out sackcloth and ashes? Do you call this a fast, and an acceptable day to Yehovah? 6 “Is this not the fast that I have chosen: to loosen the tight cords of wrongness, to undo the bands of the yoke, to exempt the oppressed, and to break off every yoke? 7 “Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; when you see the naked, and cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh? 8 “Then your light would break forth like the morning, your healing spring forth speedily. And your righteousness shall go before you, the esteem of Yehovah would be your rear guard. 9 “Then, when you call, Yehovah would answer; when you cry, He would say, ‘Here I am.’ “If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and the speaking of unrighteousness, 10 if you extend your being to the hungry and satisfy the afflicted being, then your light shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness be as noon.¹¹ “Then Yehovah would guide you continually, and satisfy your being in drought, and strengthen your bones. And you shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.

Our anger, our murder is an abomination to Yehovah and yet we do not think it that bad a deal.

Jer 7:8 “See, you are trusting in false words, which do not profit – 9 stealing, murdering, and committing adultery, and swearing falsely, and burning incense to Baal, and walking after other mighty ones you have not known. 10 “And you came and stood before Me in this house which is called by My Name, and said, ‘We have been delivered’ – in order to do all these abominations! 11 “Has this house, which is called by My Name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Look, I, even I Myself have seen it,” declares Yehovah.

Mat 5:23 “If, then, you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother holds whatever against you,

Even if you know that your brother is angry at you, then you must go and make it right between them and you.

Many leaders are so zealous in the work they are doing. All of us believe that what we are doing is the most important thing in the world. I am guilty of this. And when others do not get on board with us or get in our way we get mad with them. Our zealousness gets in our way so many times. If we had swords how many times would we have sliced each other up. We do not have swords, but we do have tongues that do even more damage.

And when we do this it grieves the Holy Spirit. Have you thought of this? When you fight with your brethren you are in fact grieving the Holy Spirit.

Eph 4:30 And do not grieve the Set-apart Spirit of Elohim, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and displeasure, and uproar, and slander be put away from you, along with all evil. 32 And be kind towards one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as Elohim also forgave you in Messiah.

Keep reading this verse until it sinks in. Those of us with a knuckle head should read it a dozen times each day because He has not chosen the brightest people of this earth, but the lowliest ones to do His work with; if this is you then read the verse above a few more times.

1Co 1:28 And Elohim has chosen the low-born of the world and the despised, and the ones that are not, that He might bring to naught the ones that are, 29 so that no flesh should boast in His presence.

1Th 5:15 See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all. 16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 in all circumstances give thanks, for this is the desire of Elohim in Messiah Yeshua for you. 19 Do not quench the Spirit. 20 Do not despise prophecies, 21 prove them all. Hold fast what is good. 22 Keep back from every form of wickedness. 23 And the Elohim of peace Himself set you completely apart, and your entire spirit, and being, and body – be preserved blameless at the coming of our Master Yeshua Messiah! 24 He who calls you is trustworthy, who also shall do it.

Again we are told not to quench the Spirit. We do this each and every time we are cold hearted towards our brethren

Rom 8:9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of Elohim dwells in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Messiah, this one is not His. 10 And if Messiah is in you, the body is truly dead on account of sin, but the Spirit is life on account of righteousness. 11 And if the Spirit of Him who raised Yeshua from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Messiah from the dead shall also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit dwelling in you. 12 So then, brothers, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13 For if you live according to the flesh, you are going to die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you shall live. 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of Elohim, these are sons of Elohim.

1Co 6:19 Or do you not know that your body is the Dwelling Place of the Set-apart Spirit who is in you, which you have from Elohim, and you are not your own? 20 For you were bought with a

price, therefore esteem Elohim in your body and in your spirit,¹ which are of Elohim. Footnote:
1See 7:23, 1 Peter 1:18-19.

In the same way as the Torah was given on Mount Sinai on the 50th day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was given also on the day of Pentecost in 30 CE. And if we are grieving the Holy Spirit by our anger towards one another, then we are also grieving the Torah and quenching it or putting it out of lives so that after a while it will not be seen in us. If you succeed at quenching the spirit then there will be no light in you and as such you will not be able to witness to others the truths you are learning.

This is very serious, because who that spirit comes from. You want it in your life every day, but if Yehovah's spirit is not in you then another one will be and he has already been identified as the father of lies and murderer from the beginning.

Joh 14:16 "And I shall ask the Father, and He shall give you another Helper, to stay with you forever – 17 the Spirit of the Truth, whom the world is unable to receive, because it does not see Him or know Him. But you know Him, for He stays with you and shall be in you. 18 "I shall not leave you orphans – I am coming to you. 19 "Yet a little while, and the world no longer sees

Me, but you shall see Me, because I live, and you shall live. 20 "In that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.²¹ "He who possesses My commands and guards them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me shall be loved by My Father, and I shall love him and manifest Myself to him."

Brethren our anger towards one another is the same as murdering our brother and it is this evil spirit that grieves the Holy Spirit and as we do this long enough, it will eventually quench the spirit in us.

We also read in

Eph 5:26 in order to set it apart and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word,¹
Footnote: 1Rev. 19:8-9.

Rev 19:8 And to her it was given to be dressed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteousness's of the set-apart ones. 9 And he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who have been called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me, "These are the true words of Elohim."

Like baptism we are to wash ourselves of our old ways and renew ourselves in the daily reading of the Torah. When we do this, then we are putting on the righteous linen of the Saints which is what we must have on to be at the wedding supper.

It took me a long to time to come to this realization. When I did I loathed myself. Then other thoughts crowded my head. How can I save my honour, my self-respect? I then began to come up with other things to prevent me from reconciling with my brother.

What I did was to throw out all concern for myself and went and sought to repair the damage that was done and growing worse by the day and I did it hat in hand. The response from my brother was surprising and delightful and a great joy.

May Yehovah guide us all in our disputes to go forward in love and concern.