Book 12: The Letter of Shaul (Paul) to the Colossians

Chapter 1

¹SHA'UL, an emissary of Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah by the will of Yah, and Timotiyos *our* brother,

2 To the Set-Apart Ones and emunahful brethren in the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah which are at Colosse: Chen *be* to you, and peace, from Yah our Father and Adonay Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah.

3 We give thanks to Yah and the Father of our Adonay Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah, praying always for you,

4 Since we heard of your Emunah in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua, and of the Chesed which you have to all the Set-Apart Ones,

5 For the hope which is laid up for you in Heaven, whereof you heard before in the word of the truth of the Good News;

6 Which is come to you, as *it is* in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* also in you, since the day you heard *of it*, and knew the Chen of Yah in truth:

7 As you also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for you a emunahful minister of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah;

8 Who also declared to us your Chesed in the Spirit.

9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that you might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

10 That you might walk worthy of Yah the Eternally Self-Existing to all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of Yah;

11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, to all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

12 Giving thanks to the Father, which has made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the Set-Apart Ones in light:

13 Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated *us* into the Kingdom of his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15 Who is the image of the invisible Yah, the firstborn of every creature:

16 For by him were all things created, that are in Heaven, and that are in Earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

¹ The letter of Shaul to the Colossians.

- 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
- 18 And he is the head of the body, the assembly: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the pre-eminence.
- 19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;
- 20 And, having made peace through the blood of his Stake, by him to reconcile all things to himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in Earth, or things in Heaven.
- 21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in *your* mind by wicked works, yet now has he reconciled
- 22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you Set-Apart and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:
- 23 If you continue in the Emunah grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the Good News, which you have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under Heaven; whereof I Sha'ul am made a minister;
- 24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the assembly:
- 25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of Yah which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of Yah;
- 26 *Even* the mystery which has been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his Set-Apart Ones:
- 27 To whom Yah would make known what *is* the riches of the Kavod of this mystery among the Ha-goyim; which is the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah in you, the hope of Kavod:
- 28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua:
- 29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which works in me mightily.

Chapter 2

FOR I would that you knew what great conflict I have for you, and *for* them at Laodicea, and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh;

- 2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in Chesed, and to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of Yah, and of the Father, and of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah;
- 3 In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
- 4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.

5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the steadfastness of your Emunah in the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

6 As you have therefore received The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Adonay Yahooshua, so walk you in him:

7 Rooted and built up in him², and stablished in the Emunah, as you have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Mighty One bodily.

10 And you are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

11 In whom also you are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah:

12 Buried with him in immersion, wherein also you are risen with *him* through the Emunah of the operation of Yah, who has raised him from the dead.

13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, has he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his Stake;

15 *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an Set-Apart day, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath *days*:

17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

18 Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of Messengers, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of Yah.

20 Wherefore if you be dead with the Anointed One of Yah from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are you subject to ordinances,

21 (Touch not; taste not; handle not;

22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and teachings of men?

23 Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

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² The Set-Apart Spirit of Yah that is in every Believer.

Chapter 3

IF you then be risen with the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, seek those things which are above, where the Anointed One of Yah sitteth on the right hand of Yah.

- 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the Earth.
- 3 For you are dead, and your life is hid with the Anointed One of Yah in Yah.
- 4 When the Anointed One of Yah, who is our life, shall appear, then shall you also appear with him in Kavod.
- 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the Earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
- 6 For which things' sake the wrath of Yah cometh on the children of disobedience:
- 7 In the which you also walked some time, when you lived in them.
- 8 But now you also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.
- 9 Lie not one to another, seeing that you have put off the old man with his deeds; 10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:
- 11 Where there is neither Greek nor Yahoodi'iy, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah *is* all, and in all.
- 12 Put on therefore, as the elect of Yah, Set-Apart and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;
- 13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as the Yahooshua forgave you, so also *do* you.
- 14 And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
- 15 And let the peace of Yah rule in your hearts, to the which also you are called in one body; and be you thankful.
- 16 Let the word of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in Tehillim³ and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with Chen in your hearts to Yah the Eternally Self-Existing.
- 17 And whatsoever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of Adonay Yahooshua, giving thanks to Yah and the Father by him.
- 18 Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands, as it is fit in Yah the Eternally

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³ Psalms.

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- 19 Husbands, Chesed *your* wives, and be not bitter against them.
- 20 Children, obey *your* parents in all things: for this is well pleasing to Yah the Eternally Self-Existing.
- 21 Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.
- 22 Servants, obey in all things *your* masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as men pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing Yah:
- 23 And whatsoever you do, do it heartily, as to Yah the Eternally Self-Existing, and not to men;
- 24 Knowing that of Yah the Eternally Self-Existing you shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for you serve Yah the Eternally Self-Existing the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.
- 25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he has done: and there is no respect of persons.

Chapter 4

MASTERS, give to *your* servants that which is just and equal; knowing that you also have a Master in Heaven.

- 2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;
- 3 Withal praying also for us, that Yah would open to us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, for which I am also in bonds:
- 4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.
- 5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.
- 6 Let your speech *be* alway with Chen, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer every man.
- 7 All my state shall Tuchikos declare to you, who is a beloved brother, and a emunahful minister and fellow servant in Yah the Eternally Self-Existing:
- 8 Whom I have sent to you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts;
- 9 With Onesimus, an emunahful and beloved brother, who is *one* of you. They shall make known to you all things which *are done* here.
- 10 Aristarchos my fellow prisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas, (touching whom you received commandments: if he come to you, receive him;)
- 11 And Yahooshua, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only *are my* fellow workers to the Kingdom of Yah, which have been a comfort to me.

- 12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of Yah.
- 13 For I bear him record, that he has a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.
- 14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.
- 15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the assembly which is in his house.
- 16 And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the assembly of the Laodiceans; and that you likewise read the *epistle* from Laodicea.
- 17 And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou has received in Yah the Eternally Self-Existing, that thou fulfil it.
- 18 The salutation by the hand of me Sha'ul. Remember my bonds. Chen *be* with you. Aměn.⁴

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⁴ Footnote in the KJV "Written from Rome to the Colossians by Tuchikos and Onesimus."