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# **Stop Chasing Those Who Move Away From You!**

This book is a translation of the original French version, which shall prevail in case of discrepancy of meaning.

"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night." (Psalms 1: 1-2, ESV).

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# Introduction

Let us no longer pursue carnal relationships that waste our time and open doors for the devil. The people we want around us should be those whom YHWH<sup>I</sup> sends and places by our side. When he removes someone from our side or at least allows separation, it is because he wants to take us to another level and release a blessing in our lives. Let us remember the story of Lot and Abram.

"There was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. At that time the Canaanites and the Perizzites were dwelling in the land. Then Abram said to Lot, "Let there be no strife between you and me, and between your herdsmen and my herdsmen, for we are kinsmen. Is not the whole land before you? Separate yourself from me. If you take the left hand, then I will go to the right, or if you take the right hand, then I will go to the left. And Lot lifted up his eyes and saw that the Jordan Valley was well watered everywhere like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt, in the direction of Zoar. (This was before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) So Lot chose for himself all the Jordan Valley, and Lot journeyed east. Thus they separated from each other. Abram settled in the land of Canaan, while Lot settled among the cities of the valley and moved his tent as far as Sodom." (Genesis 13:7-13, ESV).

What I want to emphasize is that, at some point in life, it is sometimes necessary to admit that things are no longer going well as before and to be able to separate if necessary for the good of both parties. Do not chase after people who decide to distance themselves from you for fear of ending up alone or losing the approval of the Lord in your life because the person in

<sup>1</sup> **YHWH or YHVH**: Translated by the Lord in the majority of French bibles, this Tetragrammaton is the name of God revealed to Moses in the book of Exodus. With time this Tetragrammaton became YaHWeH or YaHVeH.

question is a reputed man or woman of God. You can also miss out on the blessings that the Lord has planned for you and fall into depression. YHWH allows separation to keep us from distraction and carnal conflicts. Being in bad company can prevent you from reaching the spiritual level that the Lord has planned for you, and the Lord says in His word:

"Do not be deceived: 'Bad company ruins good morals." (1 Corinthians 15:33, ESV).

A company starts to become bad when the Lord is no longer at the center of the relationship, when disputes begin to arise, and when "Agape" love is no longer there. Bad company negatively affects your character, moral life, and even your spiritual life. That is why we must quickly get rid of it. But how? Simply by separating peacefully.

The reasons why some people separate from you

The first separation and rebellion, the Bible tells us, began in heaven when ELOHIM,

unable to tolerate the pride of Satan and his allies, ordered Miyka'el to expel them from heaven.

(Isaiah 14:12-15; Luke 10:18). We see that YHWH will separate from the dragon and his

angels because there is no relationship between light and darkness. That is why the Lord, in

creating the world, took the time to separate light from darkness because separation is a

principle in the agenda of our Heavenly Father. And because of the love he has for us, he will

not put a foreign yoke on us.

"And Yeshua ha Mashiach (Jesus Christ) said to the disciples: 'I saw Satan fall like lightning

from heaven' "(Luke 10:18).

"Yeshua (Jesus) himself never expelled the devil, because this work was given to the angels."

(**Revelation 12:7-8**).

In reality, we understand that there can be no relationship between darkness and light, for

what partnership is there between righteousness and lawlessness? Or what fellowship does light

have with darkness? Light cannot coexist with darkness. And that is why the Lord allows

separations in our lives to keep us from danger so that we may not be infected and affected

because bad company is dangerous.

"Do not be deceived: 'Bad company corrupts good morals." (1 Corinthians 15:33, Louis

Segond<sup>2</sup>).

"There was war in heaven. Miyka'el and his angels fought against the dragon. And the dragon

and his angels fought back, but they were not strong enough, and their place was no longer

found in heaven. The great dragon was hurled down - that ancient serpent called the devil, or

Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him."

(Revelation 12:7-9, BYM<sup>3</sup>).

"How you have fallen from heaven, Heylel, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the

earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to the heavens;

I will raise my throne above the stars of El; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on

the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make

<sup>2</sup> **Segond**: Translation in French bible.

<sup>3</sup> **BYM:** Bible of Yehoshoua Mashiah (Jesus-Christ) (translation in French bible).

myself like El Elyon.' But you are brought down to the realm of the dead, to the depths of the

pit. Those who see you stare at you, they ponder your fate: 'Is this the man who shook the earth

and made kingdoms tremble, the man who made the world a wilderness, who overthrew its

cities and would not let his captives go home? "(Isaiah 14:12-17, BYM).

"And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom

of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been

thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God." (Revelation 12:10, BYM).

In reality, in the Lord's plan, we were created to live together, in communion with one

another, in peace, love, and total harmony. But sin entered the world through Adam and affected

all of humanity, and that is why we find more and more horrific acts in the world.

At the beginning of Genesis, we already see the wickedness of man, Cain, who will kill his

brother Abel. And why did he kill him? Because his own actions were evil, and his brother's

were righteous. Through this word, we see that the seed of the enemy was already at work in

the life of man. And since the fall of the first Adam, the world needs a savior who must root out

the venom of the serpent in the lives of men.

Glory be to our Lord Yehoshua Mashiah (Jesus Christ), who triumphed on the cross of Calvary.

That is why if we want to be restored and saved, we must receive Jesus Christ into our lives as

our Lord and Savior.

When the Mashiah (Christ) arrives on the land of the living, his ultimate goal is to reconcile

men with the Father, a burden he carried in his heart. Quickly, and at the time set by the Father,

he will begin his ministry by preaching repentance because his desire was to see families on

earth saved and restored. But unfortunately, not all received him because of their unbelief and

wickedness of heart.

NB: Indeed, in life, many will separate from you...

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# 1. He distances himself from you because there was never AGAPE LOVE between you. (1 Corinthians 13:4-8)

We live in a century where the divorce rate is high precisely because people came together for carnal motives. For a relationship of friendship, brotherhood, or conjugality that is not based on the LOVE that is Mashiah (Christ) does not always withstand. For we understand that this style of love is founded on sand, and whatever the beauty of a building built on sand, it will eventually fall, and its ruin will be great. Let's take a closer look at the LOVE that Paul talks about. Today we already live in the end times where many who call themselves brother hate and betray each other because the love of many has grown cold.

The Bible declares: "If anyone says, 'I love Elohîm,' and hates his brother, he is a liar, for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love Elohîm whom he has not seen." (1 John 4:20, BYM).

My brother, know that ELOHIM is **LOVE**. We understand by this that the very character of YHWH (GOD) is love, and PAUL speaks of the mystery of love in its four dimensions: "so that you may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Mashiah which surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled up to all the fullness of Elohîm." (**Ephesians 3:18-19, BYM**). When we look closely, we understand that it is only through the cross that we can grasp the benefits that Yéshoua ha Mashiah (Jesus Christ) accomplished on the cross for us. And to grasp the love of Christ for us, we must understand the dimensions of this love for our lives.

# 1.1. The length and the width: Talk to us about the walk of Mashiah on the land of the living

The question we can ask is: Why the walk?

**Answer:** Because of his love for humanity, he decided to leave his throne and come to the land of the living. He traveled the width and length of the earth to manifest the affection and great love he has for us. Beloved, we can only walk to seek people we love; that's why Jesus Christ walked to meet us in our sin to remove it from our lives.

"How Elohîm anointed Yéhoshoua of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil because Elohîm was with him." (Acts 10:38, BYM).

"In this the love of YHWH was manifested toward us, that ELOHIM has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved YHWH, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins." (1 John 4:9-10, BYM).

"Then Jesus went from city to city and from village to village, preaching and announcing the good news of the kingdom of God, and the twelve were with him." (Luke 8:1, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

"But he said to them, 'I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.' "(Luke 4:43, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

"Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness." (Matthew 9:35, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

# 1.2. Depth: Referring to His burial and resurrection

We know that Christ died for our sins and rose again for our justification. Through His resurrection, we experience the new birth. In fact, without the death and resurrection of Yehoshua, our faith is vain and meaningless. We can understand that His resurrection guarantees our future resurrection and brings us into the depths of His power, for we no longer fear the powers of evil as the Resurrected One has overcome them! And through all of this, we see the manifest love of Yehoshua ha Mashiah (Jesus Christ).

"Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." (Romans 4:25, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

"Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?" (Ephesians 4:9, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

"For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." (Matthew 12:40, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

Jesus descended victoriously into the realm of the dead to take away Satan's authority and power over death (Revelation 1:18; Hebrews 2:14-15).

In **1 Corinthians 15:12-20**, the apostle Paul defends the historical nature of Yehoshua's (Christ's) resurrection. He recognizes that if Christ is not truly resurrected, then the Christian faith collapses like a building with a failed foundation.

The previous point emphasizes that our faith is based on a historical fact. But this objective fact (the resurrection) is much more than a mere "guarantee" that confirms our faith. If we have been given eyes to see and a heart to understand, the truth of the resurrection inspires and nurtures our faith.

Through the resurrection of Christ, His crucifixion takes on a completely different meaning: it is our source of deliverance!

"And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." (1 Corinthians 15:14, Darby Bible translation in French).

"God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear." (Acts 2:32-33, BYM).

"Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died--more than that, who was raised to life--is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us." (Romans 8:33-34, Ostervald 1881 bible translation in French).

# 1.3. The Height: It speaks to us about His Crucifixion

On the cross, suspended on the wood, the Messiah (Christ) demonstrated love for all of humanity. He carried our sins on the wood of the cross in such a way that the Father abandoned Him, and all of this was due to the great love He has for each of us.

## NB: Let us note here that the sufferings and death of Christ concern us all...

This is certainly how we must understand the sufferings and death of Christ. They concern me. They speak of the love that Christ has for me personally. It is my sin that separates me from YHWH (God). It is the hardness of my heart and my spiritual torpor that detract from the value of Christ. I am lost and dying. In terms of salvation, I have lost all right to appeal to

justice. I have nothing left but to implore mercy and compassion. Then I see the suffering and death of the Messiah. For whom?

It is said:

"Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her" (Ephesians 5:25, Louis Segond).

"Having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross" (Colossians 2:14, BYM).

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24, Louis Segond).

"When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross "(Colossians 2:13-15, Louis Segond).

# 2. They turn away from you because they do not find their interest when they are with you (Ruth 1:1-14)

We know the story of Ruth and Orpah. Orpah had separated from her mother-in-law to return to the idols of her parents because she did not find any interest in staying with Naomi, her mother-in-law. The Moabites were a people descended from Moab, the son of Lot, born of an incestuous relationship with his eldest daughter (Genesis 19:37).

We are in a generation where many are greedy, idolatrous, and love people for the sake of interest. Let us read the passage below...

" In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there. Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband. When Naomi heard in Moab that the Lord had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home. Therefore, she left the place where she had lived, along with her two daughters-in-law, and they set out on the road to return to the land of Judah. Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, « Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. » « May the Lord grant that you find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. » And they said to her, « No, we will return with you to your people. » But Naomi said, « Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? » « Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, » « Would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me. » Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her." (Ruth 1:1-14, Darby bible translation in French).

# 3. They separate themselves from you because they are uncomfortable and unable to do evil in your presence (Psalm 1:5-6)

When we closely examine the story of Saul and David, we observe that at a certain point in their lives, Saul could no longer tolerate David's presence because David had become a threat and an obstacle to him. Despite his position as king over the people, he did not guard his heart and displayed **jealousy**.

"David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him, so that Saul set him over the men of war. And this was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants. As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments. And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, « Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands. » And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said, « They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom? » And Saul eyed David from that day on. The next day a harmful spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand. And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, « I will pin David to the wall. » But David evaded him twice. Saul was afraid of David because the Lord was with him but had departed from Saul. So Saul removed him from his presence and made him a commander of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people. And David had success in all his undertakings, for the Lord was with him. And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him. "(1 Samuel 18:5-15, ESV).

It is almost impossible for sinners to resist in the midst of the saints, precisely because you become a mirror for them in which they see their flaws, and unable to repent, they decide to separate from you because the seed of the Lord is not in them. Without the Word of the Lord in us, we cannot resist sin. And we all know that the enemy of our souls does not stand on truth, which is why the Bible calls him the father of lies.

"For this reason, the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish." (Psalm 1:5-6, BYM).

# 4. They distance themselves from you because you do not share the same VISION. (Proverbs 29:18)

When we closely examine the life of Joseph, the Lord allowed him to share the visions he had received from the Lord with his brothers and parents. The Bible tells us that they hated him for it and he was rebuked by his father. This is just to encourage someone not to hide the words, visions, and dreams they receive from the Lord because tomorrow it will be a living testimony.

"What I tell you in the dark, speak in the light; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops." (Matthew 10:27, Darby bible translation in French).

"Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. He said to them, 'Listen to this dream I had: We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it.' His brothers said to him, 'Do you intend to reign over us? Will you actually rule us?' And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said. Then he had another dream, and he told it to his brothers. "Listen," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun and moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me." When he told his father as well as his brothers, his father rebuked him and said, 'What is this dream you had? Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow down to the ground before you?' His brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind. "(Genesis 37:5-11, ESV).

Due to their lack of vision, they chose to separate from their brother Joseph by selling him to the Midianites, as it was the will of the Lord. We all know the end of this very emotional story. I understand that the Lord has already planned everything, and if He separates us from our brothers, family, and friends, it is to prepare the way so that tomorrow we may be a subject of blessing for them, as in the case of Joseph. He could have sought revenge, but he forgave them.

"Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come close to me.' When they had done so, he said, 'I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you." (Genesis 45:4-5, Darby bible translation in French).

It is truly impossible to walk and work with people who do not share the same vision as

you. We live in a generation where many engage in ministry for money and the glory of men.

That is why many ministries do not work together, as there are wolves among us trying to snatch

the sheep that we are. Glory be to the Father, who is always with us. Therefore, when there is

no vision, disorder prevails. In a gathering, when the vision is destroyed, disorder sets in.

Samson, when he lost his vision, was led by his enemies. We understand that losing vision is

fatal for a Christian.

"Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds

wisdom's instruction." (Proverbs 29:18, BYM).

Father, help us to keep the vision that you have given us, in the name of Yeshua!!

5. They will separate themselves from you because they are not your friends, for a friend loves at all times (Proverbs 17:17)

If we are truly brothers and sisters in the Lord, an atmosphere of friendship and love should reign among us. I have always loved the case of **Jonathan** and **David**. After David had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. (1 Samuel 18:1). *Jonathan loved David more than he loved his own father, Saul*. Their love was true, pure, and unconditional. We need the grace and help of YHWH to love our friends, brothers, sisters, and all our neighbors according to YHWH.

Lord, help us to love one another with true brotherly love, without hypocrisy in the name of Yehoshua!!

## Jesus Christ gives a commandment in the new covenant:

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another, and that as I have loved you, you also love one another." (John 13:34, Darby bible translation in French).

Loving our neighbor is a commandment from the Lord, and it is by this that we recognize the true children of ELOHIM, **for whoever loves is of the lord**, for perfect love casts out fear of men.

"Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love." (1 John 4:8, King James).

Love is the mark of the true children of YHWH. Whoever is born of YHWH must love because the Father is love.

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of Elohîm; and everyone who loves is born of Elohîm and knows Elohîm. He who does not love does not know Elohîm, for Elohîm is love. In this the love of Elohîm was manifested toward us, that Elohîm has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved Elohîm, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if Elohîm so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has seen Elohîm at any time. If we love one another, Elohîm abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us." (1 John 4:7-12, BYM).

Beloved, as disciples of Yehoshua Ha Mashiah (Jesus Christ), we must increasingly learn

to be in solitude, at the foot of the Father, in his secret counsel. We can see this exemplified in

Yehoshua Ha Mashiah (Jesus Christ) our Elohim (God), who was willing to walk alone if

necessary, because his desire was to do the will of the Father. In his teachings, he repeated:

"For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me,

the Father."

Father, give us the grace to do your will and to obey you regardless of what the people of

my generation may say, in the name of Yeshua.

When we closely examine the history of men like Moses, Joseph, Paul, David, John,

Jeremiah, they were solitary men. In the end times, those who will stand firm against adversity

are those who will be in the secret counsel of the Father, away from the crowd of this world,

learning every day to know the heart of the Father. For, if we do not have the revelation of

the Father's love for us, we will not withstand false accusations, slander, defamation, and bad

reports from people against us. The tongue of man is more dangerous than the bite of a serpent.

For they have dug a pit to take me and have hidden snares for my feet. But you, O Lord, know

all their plots to kill me (Jeremiah 18:18).

Let us take a closer look at the life of Yehoshua ha Mashiah (Jesus Christ) our EL (God).

When he came to earth, he gathered disciples around him, and at one point in his journey, the

Bible tells us that some of his disciples abandoned him.

Question: Why did they abandon him?

Answer: It was precisely because they no longer believed in him due to the harshness of his

words. The Lord, seeing this, did not beg them to stay or ask them to return. Instead, he turned

to those who still stood by him and asked them: "Do you want to go away as well?" (John

**16:32**). The Lord knew that he was not alone, but that he was with the Father.

The key to the Christian journey is to be with the right shepherd and not with men. Why do I

say this? I have seen authentic ministries that were more attached to men than to the one who

called them, and they missed the essential. This reminds me of Saul, who loved the glory of

men more than the glory of the One who had chosen him.

**Conclusion** 

Lord, thank you for freeing and healing many through this message in the name of

Yehoshua Mashiach (Jesus Christ). May the grace of our Lord Yehoshua Mashiach be with

your spirit! Amen! Amen!

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