

## LOVING THEM RIGHT INTO HELL

It is very hard for me, and I'm sure some of you, to live in this day of "political correctness," and "don't hurt their feelings," types of values. As most of you know, I have Facebook Accounts and I look at the quite often. I actually have two accounts; one that is specific for family and those who are so close they are like family; and I have another where I speak my mind (and the mind of scripture) about issues, events and yes, even people.

Now, there is a problem with having two Facebook accounts; that problem being that sometimes I forget that I'm on the family page and I'll post something I meant to place on the "free for all" page. Oft times my wife catches these things and she'll always ask me, "did you mean to put that on your family page?" I often run to change it around for what I meant originally. The problem, as I see it is if people had the strong convictions that I have, or at least would accept them or my expression of them, things would be okay. However, there are a few people that are liberal in thought that happen to be family and they're very quick (under the auspices of grace) to jump all over me when I happen to express my feelings or opinions. The funny thing about people with liberal modes of thinking is that if you think like they do, you're a hero; if you hold differing morals or values then they are quick to demonize you. Back in my day, liberals would often say, "I might not agree with what you are saying, but I will die to defend your right to say it." Nowadays, they take the attitude, "I don't agree with what you say and because you said it I hope that you die." Liberal people want you to be tolerant, but they exercise the freedom to be harsh and not express tolerance if you disagree with them.

When I read something on any format, whether electronic or printed media, and I don't agree with what they have written I most times take those thoughts and ponder them. Everyone is different and they present things differently. A good writer will cause people to think about thinking. If a person thinks in spiritual terms (led by the Ruach Ha Kodesh) and they think in literal terms, they will be able to determine the meaning of any author and his or her true intent.

Let me give you an example of what I mean. About three years ago my wife and I moved into a 55+ manufactured home community. We just wanted to live there for a couple of years until our finances were more stable and we could start looking for a house. Our neighbor was a cranky man, whom through talking to others and also observing his actions and such, determined that he was a homosexual. Having lived near the Bay Area of California a person often has homosexual neighbors or coworkers and while the sin of homosexuality offends me, the people

are sinners just like everyone else, just not saved by the Blood of Yeshua, therefore unrepentant. Having discernment through the Ruach Ha Kodesh we know that there is a spiritual war between the entities that convince people that they are homosexuals, and the Ruach Ha Kodesh and the Holy Malak of Yahweh. People often don't recognize that this war exists, but the unregenerate will many times manifest in behalf of the enemies of righteousness.

The war became quite evident when we moved into the home in that 55+ community. We met our neighbor one time and he seemed like a nice guy, even telling us that if we needed anything to just let him know. We thanked him and said the same in kind. Somehow, the neighbor found out that we were believers in Yeshua. I believe that the manager of the community, a supposed "Christian" who was into Karate and called his soul his "inner Chi," was involved in the strife between the neighbor and ourselves. After that first meeting the guy turned hostile to us, complaining about the most trivial things and the tension was so thick that one could cut it with a knife.

As this one-sided war ensued, I made a comment on my family Facebook that the "homosexual" next door was warring with us and that we were victims of his unprovoked hatred. A relative was quick to call my wife on the phone and complain about my post, telling my wife that I was "homophobic," and that I didn't need to place the fact that the guy was "homosexual" on Facebook. That relative often lives in a one-dimensional world where she lives by convictions that are based on what is supposedly politically correct and what her interpretation of "grace" really is. Now, I have to admit that this woman's way of looking at things sometimes bothers me, but I've matured enough in our faith that I just pray and place her in Yeshua's hands to correct, while at the same time praying that if I'm wrong in my convictions that He'll tell me and correct me.

Now here's the deal. People like me who think multidimensional tend to look at all facets of anything presented to us. If I look down at the top of a box, I see a square because I see only one dimension. However, if I move my perspective, I notice that the square is two dimensional and I move a bit more I notice that it exists in three dimensions. The same principal works in my "homosexual" statement. To someone who thinks in one dimension I would seem to be bigoted in my thinking. Furthermore, if we see the spiritual connotation to my statement, we see something else. In my statement, by stating that the person is a homosexual, I am stating that because of his chosen lifestyle, he has placed himself at odds with natural processes and against the Creator of The Universe; Yahweh. Because he has chosen that lifestyle, he has chosen to be an enemy of Yahweh and since my wife and I are followers and lovers of Yahweh Yeshua, it is

only natural for a hater of Yahweh to hate us. So, by stating our neighbor's sexual orientation, I was showing people why he has a unnatural hatred toward us, not to defame the man, but to show why the hatred existed.

As an aside to this story, one might ask how we treated this neighbor. Realized that this man had unwittingly placed himself in an enemy camp caused us to want to love him more. Yes, there were times when we became frustrated with the situation, but outwardly I did things like water his plants, inform him when the gardeners broke his flower pot and blew the leaves from his driveway in Autumn. And, because of this attitude from us, this man, just before we moved, approached me and apologized for his actions and wanted to be friends. We were quick to verbally forgive him and we talked and laughed a lot during our last month as neighbors.

Judging in Righteous Judgment:

I think that I would get a big AMEN when I say that the Church today is all messed up. There are very few people out there that have any sense about scripture and what it actually says. Yeshua referred to people as sheep, and this works great with believers because sheep tend to follow each other into mayhem. This is why sheep need a shepherd. Christians are great at straining at gnats while a camel walks right by them. They'll pick up on one little thing and make a doctrine out of it. They're also good at listening to people and not checking what is said with what Scripture actually says.

One of these little areas has become the Christian portion of political correctness. The Christian PC battle cry is to accuse people of being judgmental. They'll always quote Jesus' words where He says, "Judge not, lest you be judged," without realizing that the Brit Hadasha was written in Greek and that language has several different words for Judge and/or judging. Let's look at those words before we progress any further:

- *Krites: (Strongs 2923) pronounced "kree-tace," which means the person of a judge. 17 references in the New Testament – Always means a judicial person.*
- *Krino: (Strongs 2919) pronounced "kree-noh," which means to distinguish, decide or punish.*

*88 references mean to "judge," as in punishing.*

*7 references mean to “determine,” as in deciding.*

*5 references mean to “condemn,” which is self explanatory.*

*2 references mean to go to law.*

*2 references mean “to call into question.”*

*2 references mean to “esteem,” as in to distinguish.*

*8 references are miscellaneous.*

*114 total references in the New Testament.*

- *Dikastes: (Strong's 1348) pronounced “dik-as-tace,” which means a “judge.” Much like a jury person, one who weighs the evidence. In Athens, the dikastes were the jury whereas the Krites was the presiding judge.*

*3 references in the New Testament, all meaning as mentioned above.*

- *Anakrino: (Strong's 350) pronounced “an-ak-ree-no,” which means to scrutinize, investigate, interrogate, determine or discern.*

*6 references mean to “examine.”*

*6 references mean to “judge,” – by way of truthful examination.*

*2 references mean to “ask questions.”*

*1 reference means to “search.”*

*1 reference means to “discern.”*

*16 total references in the New Testament*

- *Kriterion: (Strong's 2922) pronounced “kree-tay-ree-on,” means rule of judging or tribunal.*

*1 reference meaning “judge.”*

*1 reference meaning “judgment.”*

*1 reference meaning “judgment seat.”*

*3 references found in the New Testament*

- *Diakrino: (Strong's 1252) pronounced “de-ak-ree-no,” which means to separate thoroughly, to withdraw from, oppose, discriminate or hesitate.*

*5 references mean to “doubt.”*

*3 references mean to “judge.”*

*2 references mean to “discern.”*

*2 references mean to “contend.”*

*2 references mean to “waver.”*

*5 references are “miscellaneous.”*

*19 references total in the New Testament*

There you have it. There are six different Greek words used throughout the Brit Hadasha, all with different meanings and Christians run around slinging rocks at people without even knowing which word is used in which application. Let's look at the scripture that they most often use:

*Judge not, that ye be not judged. Matthew 7:1*

The word “*krino*” is used in this scripture three times. If you look at the scripture in proper context, using the Greek definitions the scripture is better rendered:

*Condemn not, lest you be sentenced by your own condemnation.*

That is so wonderful. Yes, we are not to pass sentence on someone, that is Yahweh's job and that will occur at the end of the age. We are however to judge with a discerning judgment:

*Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment. John 7:24*

It would seem that there is a contradiction in scripture if you compare the two that I've cited.

*Condemn not according to the outward appearance, but determine with a Godly justice.*

Here's an example. You get to work and your coworker comes in and treats you horribly. How do you treat this situation? Well, you could get mad and call your coworker a insensitive jerk, and that would be sentencing him or her. Or, you could consider things. You can recall that the coworker's father is sick, that their spouse is abusing them and that their child was just hauled into juvenile hall. After such consideration, you would feel more empathy for your coworker and you will probably approach them and tell them that if they need to talk, they can come to you and you'll lend a sympathetic ear. In the second scenario, you didn't condemn and you didn't come to a conclusion by reacting to their outward appearance, but you took time to look at the entire situation and come to the right conclusion.

It is okay to judge when we see that a person is bearing bad fruit, but we need to examine the tree and the fruit to make sure that the fruit isn't just damaged from environmental factors and such, and then we are free to assess the fruit to see if actually is bad fruit. Of course, sometimes it is easy, like when you see someone who tries to be an apple tree, but they're a cactus that gives the appearance of an apple tree and tries to convince us that it is growing apples. We are called by Yeshua to be fruit inspectors:

*Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Matthew 7:15-20*

I think its sort of foolish to chide someone who recognizes a wolf in the flock and tries to tell the rest of the flock that there is a wolf, by saying, "aren't you being a little judgmental brother, only Yeshua knows his heart." People who ridicule fruit inspectors try to guilt the righteous into silence. Fruit inspectors that care about the opinions of men will cave in and will become silent, however those who care about the flock will not remain silent.

Standing up for the rights of wolves and the tares is tantamount to suicide. Take for instance the hypocrisy of those who cry "racist" when something is said about the atrocities of Islam. Islam is a philosophy that is bent on world domination through the sword and through

deception. However, the national insanity says that being wary of Muslims and talking about the murderous deeds of Islam is wrong, that it is defaming a whole religion by the acts of a few. Muslims love this attitude and they're laughing at the PC crowd that is standing up for their rights. I find it interesting that it is liberals such as homosexuals and woman's right's advocates that cry the loudest when it comes to discerning Islam correctly. These are the very people who Islam will go after when they finally do take over our society. I'd rather go down proclaiming the ills of Islam rather than being an advocating "sheeple" for Islam and being sent to the slaughter for defending them. What liberals today are doing could be labeled as a suicide mission brought on by adherence to political correctness; it's truly insane.

The Bible talks about correction of people as being a good thing to do. We're told in several places that we're supposed to bring correction to people in error:

*He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.  
Proverbs 13:24*

And:

*Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far  
from him. Proverbs 22:15*

And:

*Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not  
die. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell. Proverbs  
23:13-14*

And:

*Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.  
Proverbs 22:6*

And, for those who think Grace replaces correction:

*Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them  
reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and  
live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our  
profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. Now no chastening for the present  
seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit  
of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Hebrews 12:9-11*

Some of you have no doubt heard me tell the story of my cousin Larry. Larry was the only child of my Uncle John and his wife Lois. Lois was a disciplinarian but John would not discipline Larry. Of course, Larry became close to his father and hated his mother. Because he received no correction from his father, Larry became rebellious as a teenager and also as an adult.

Larry got into drugs, went to jail once or twice and could never keep a job. Larry's life was a mess for sure. Larry swore that he would never come to faith in Yeshua and would not hear anything that was said about faith. Of course, when things got bad for Larry, my uncle tried to bring him to correction, but never in a harsh manner and Larry grew worse. I prayed for Larry for 25 years, and my prayers did not go unanswered.

When Larry was in his mid-forties, he met a girl who was a backslidden Christian. She witnessed to Larry and after a few more years, Larry accepted Yeshua into his life and made a commitment to Yahweh. Soon after, Marcia his girlfriend died from the AIDS virus she acquired as a result rape a few years earlier. Larry moved close to his father but died a couple years after.

What might Larry's life had been like if my uncle had corrected Larry like he should have corrected him? Because of my uncles' lack of regard for his wife's attempts to correct Larry their marriage ended in divorce. Perhaps they would have remained married if my uncle had enough love for Larry and Lois to correct Larry? Perhaps Larry would have felt loved and would not have turned to drugs to soothe his bruised psyche? Perhaps Larry would have come to faith earlier? Perhaps Larry would have met Marcia and/or been with her to protect her the day that men decided to rape Marcia? So many tragedies could have been avoided, but they weren't because my uncle didn't want to drive his son away by correcting him. If it weren't for the intervention by Yahweh Yeshua, Larry might be in hell today; but Yahweh is faithful and Larry is in Heaven's realm.

You see, not speaking the truth because of this fear of that fear could have eternal implications. I cringe when I'm out in a public place and I hear mothers yelling at their kids to behave. I've heard many times mothers doing the counting game; counting 1, 2, 3.... until the child responds. That is not correction, that is pandering. The Bible mentions repeatedly that we are born with Original Sin, meaning that we have the propensity to sin right out of the womb. We all know parents who have what we could consider "kids from hell," and we watch them grow progressively worse because parents today are afraid to spank in fear of having the child taken

away by social services if the authorities find out about the punishment. Well, if you don't spank them then sin will take them away anyway, it will just be delayed a few years.

Now I can't blame worldly people for acting worldly; that is what sinners are supposed to do. However, there is no excuse for those who follow Yeshua to act worldly. The Bible is rife with scriptures that exhort parents to chastise their children; I cited some of them above. But in addition, the Bible also has many scriptures that talk about correcting brothers and sisters when they fall into error. As I mentioned earlier, people often play the "thou shalt not judge," card in order to spurn correction and they guilt people into being silent where sin is concerned. Other times people cite Grace as a reason for being silent. Their mentality is that Yahweh will take care of things by ministering to the sinner through the Ruach Ha Kodesh. This might be true in some cases, but if the person is sensitive to the Ruach Ha Kodesh then they wouldn't be sinning to begin with and would hear the Ruach's voice. People often need a nudge from other people to confirm that they're hearing from the Ruach Ha Kodesh. How many of you have been corrected by worldly people? They have enough Bible knowledge to know right from wrong, or they just have enough common sense to know those things. The minute that a believer does something that is outside the box of what people know to be Christianity they will let you know about it. If you're walking with Yeshua then you feel convicted and have to admit that they're right, and then you repent, and hopefully thank them for correcting you.

Grace is a wonderful thing, but people often use it as an excuse to sin, or not to correct, as I mentioned above. Remember the story about my cousin Larry; his father basically loved him right into sin and rebelliousness. Inaction is actually an action, a negative one. In Ezekiel, Yahweh tells the prophet that he is a watchman on the wall of a city. Yahweh tells him that if he sees an enemy coming to the city and warns the city so that they are prepared, then he is a righteous man and if there is any blood spilled because of inaction by those in the city, the blood of those in the city is not on the hands of the prophet. However, if the prophet fails to warn the city and blood is spilled, the blood and guilt will be on the prophet. Yahweh is the same yesterday, today and forever, and his precepts do not change.

I don't know about you, but before I was saved Yahweh had to let me sink down to my lowest denominator so that I could see how miserable a human I had become. Would I call that Grace, yes I would. I call it grace because He cared enough about me to let me digress to the point where I recognized that I needed him. So too, isn't it grace when He uses us to offer correction to another brother or sister? Yes, it is.

The mistake that Christians make is that they have things all turned around. Yeshua tells us that we're supposed to be a light to the lost. He tells us that we're supposed to have nothing to do with this world, and that we're not supposed to take on the ways of the world. Why then do Christians take on political correctness? We're supposed to be so much like Yeshua that the world wants to be like us. Instead the Church takes on the world as clothing. Why would anyone want to dress in rags when we are supposed to be clothed in Righteousness? Why would any sane person want to take on the corruptible when we're offered the incorruptible? It's insanity to want to be like the world and lest we forget:

*Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. James 4:4*

Yes, not speaking the truth has eternal implications. For those of you who believe that a person can lose their Salvation; imagine that you didn't tell a brother or sister that they are sinning and getting worse and worse. They die before they have a chance to repent and they lose their salvation. On judgment day they are paraded past you and they ask you why you never told them that they were on the road to perdition. What could you possibly say to make things better? Absolutely nothing.

Now, for those of you who believe that once you're saved, you're always saved; what would you do if when the books are opened you realize that your brother or sister won't get many of the rewards that they would have gotten had you spoken a word of correction to them? And how will you feel knowing you won't get some of the rewards you would have gotten simply because you weren't faithful to talk to someone about their actions.

Sorry, but in either case there is nothing comforting about inaction when it comes to crying from the wall about the enemy's actions in someone's life. You are bound by the love that you're supposed to have for your brothers and sisters; bound to correct them out of love. But many in the Church have it the wrong way; they'd rather not say anything because they'd be thought to be "judgmental," and this they see as being loving. Well, that sort of attitude is loving someone right into hell, or at the very least, loving them into a lack of rewards they could get when we all get to Heaven. That sort of "love" is a selfish kind of love and in reality, is devoid of love. We're told that a time will come when things will be turned around; a time when bad will be called good and good will be called bad, and dare expound on that by saying that some will even go as far as saying that a selfish act is really an act of love. Yahweh help people to know,

see and act on the truth. Help them to quit offering their pearls before the swine and convince them to come out of the Church of Laodicea. Amen.