Transcript – Elder Benard Sukkot 2025

Chag Semeach. Shalom and praise Yahweh that we are here in the wilderness for Sukkot 2025. And Yahweh's blessing us and teaching us the messages that we need for this end time to be able overcome and to be able to endure to the end.

So, the message today is the parable of Lazarus and the rich one. And many do misinterpret the parable that Yahshua gave to show the Jewish religious people of this time that they needed to repent and to believe in Him. Otherwise, they risk losing out on their eternal life because Yahshua did say in **John 14 verse 6** ... I'm not going to read that now, but He is the way, the truth and the life no one can come to the Father except through Him.

So many uses that parable to show, or to just want to prove, that maybe the day in that Abraham is in Heaven. But we know from the Scriptures that clearly the dead are asleep. That also may be with the hellfire, the eternal hellfire, which is false. That actually the wicked will receive that eternal damnation through the lake of fire which is the second death.

So, as we are going to show from our Scriptures that actually this parable that Yahshua used was to show the religious people at that time, and even us in the end time, to be able to understand Yahweh's plan that actually it is only through the belief, through repentance that we believe in Yahshua to be able to receive eternal life.

This parable is recorded in the book of Luke and I believe that when we look at the full aspects of Yahshua, Messiah, the book of Luke portrays Yahshua as the faithful man that He came to save mankind.

And we're going to read that from the book of Ezekiel, chapter 1 ... Ezekiel chapter 1, verse 10. And it says:

Ezekiel 1:10 And the likeness of their faces: ... talking about the four living creatures ... the likeness of their faces: the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side to the four of them; and the face of an ox on the left to the four of them, and the face of an eagle to the four of them.

There's a footnote down there that says:

These faces show the 4 good news books and aspects of Yahshua Messiah. Matthew was written to the Jews and represents the lion, which is Judah's symbol. Mark shows Messiah as the servant of YHWH and is depicted by the ox who is the hardest working animal for man. Luke was written for the nations and shows the face of man that Messiah came for all mankind and John's good news message typifies the eagle who ascends to the heavens and represents Messiah as Elohim.

So, we see that the parable of Lazarus and the rich man is only in the book of Luke to show us that aspect of Yahweh being the Savior of mankind. So, we go to the parable itself in the book of Luke chapter 16. Luke chapter 16 verse 19. And we're going to read through the verses and be able to expound on each one of them as we continue in the parable so that we're able to understand each and allow the scripture to interpret itself. So, verse 19 it says:

Luke 16:19 And there was a certain rich man; and he was accustomed to don a purple robe and fine linen, making merry in luxury day by day.

So, this rich man we want to see from Scripture who is the rich man being here that the rich man is accustomed to don a purple robe and fine linen making merry in luxury day by day. Let's go to the book of Romans chapter 9. Verse 1 to 5 and then we'll come back again to the parable as we continue to read. Romans chapter 9 verses 1 through 5 and then we'll come back again to the parable as we continue with it. Roman's chapter 9 verse 1 to 5 says:

Romans 9:1-5 I tell the truth in Messiah, I do not lie, my conscience bearing witness with me in the Holy Spirit, that my grief is great, and a never ceasing pain is in my heart, for I myself was wishing to be a curse from Messiah for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to flesh, who are Israelites, to who belongs the sonship and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the Torah, and the service, and the promises; whose are the fathers, and from whom is the Messiah according to flesh, He being Elohim over all, blessed forever. Amen.

So, who is this rich man? He is like the Israelites, having the promises through Abraham, is that in the New Covenant, and the covenants, the glory, the sonship, the giving of the Torah, the service, and even the Messiah in the flesh, He is descended from them.

So actually, being given that blessing of being born an Israelite made some of them to think that they were having the inherent right to salvation, and to be given eternal life that because of the physical descendants. But as we're going to see, it is not that way. Any Yahshua used this parable to show to them, and even to show us now, that we have to believe in Him and have faith and build that faith to be able to receive eternal life.

So we go to the parable, verse 20, it says:

Luke 16:20 And there was a certain poor one named Eliazar and he would lay at the gate of that rich man, while being afflicted with sores.

So Eliazar is there, lying at the gate of that rich man, while being afflicted with sores. So Eliazar means it's Ephraimite, an **Ephraimite**, in Aramaic which means, *EL is my help*. So, Elohim is my help. Now, with the translations to Greek and from Greek to English, they took the name Lazarus, and **Lazarus means**, *without help*. So that is why it's talking about Lazarus and the rich man, so the rich, and the one who was not having any help.

But we allow the Scriptures to interpret itself. And now who is Lazarus? And who is Eliazar from Scripture in Hebrew? Let's go to Genesis chapter 15. Genesis chapter 15, verse 1 ... Genesis chapter 15, verse 1 and then we will continue from there to verse 6. It says:

Genesis 15:1-3 After these things the Word of YAHWEH came to Abram in a vision, saying, Do not fear, Abram; I am a shield to you, your reward will increase greatly. And Abram said, Adonai YAHWEH, what will You give to me? I am going childless and the son of the inheritance of my house is Eleazar of Damascus? And Abram said, Behold! You have given no seed to me; and lo, the son of my house is inheriting of me!

Genesis 15:4-6 And behold! The Word of YAHWEH came to him saying, This one shall not be your heir. But he that shall come forth out of your own bowels shall be your heir. And He brought him outside and said, Look

now at the heavens and count the stars, if you are able to count them. And He said to him, So shall your seed be. And he believed in YAHWEH. And He counted it to him for righteousness.

So, Eliazar is a faithful servant to Abraham, and that is why Abraham was looking at it, that maybe he is going to take the inheritance. And now the promises will be through Eliazar who was faithful.

And Yahweh told him, "No, no, no, as much as you want him to get the blessings also, there is judicial order, there is time for the nations to also get the promises". So, He told him that it is only your physical descendant who will be coming out of your own loins. So, we understand that from Scripture, that actually Isaac was born and being the son of the promise.

So, we see that there is judicial order of salvation, and now the Jews, they are the Israelites being descendants, the physical descendent, of Abraham, in a way regarded the Gentiles who know the promises of Yahweh being outside the covenant as dogs, or at the lower level as a dog. And we know from the book of Romans, chapter 2, let's go there ... Romans chapter 2. Paul talks about the judicial order of salvation that actually it was passed through the physical descendants, and then it was opened up to whoever believes in Yahweh and Yahshua. So, Romans chapter 2, verse 6 to 11, it says:

Romans 2:6-9 He "will give to each according to his deeds:" everlasting life truly to those who with patience in good work seeking glory and honor and immortality; but to the ones who are stubborn, and do not obey the truth but obey iniquity, He will render anger and wrath, trouble and pain on every soul of man that works out evil, both of Jew first, and also of Gentile.

Romans 2:10-11 But glory and honor and peace will be to everyone working out good, both to the Jew first, and to the Gentile. For there is no respect of persons with YAHWEH.

So, we see the judicial order there that it's actually to the Jew first and then to the Gentile. And in the life of a true believer, there are trials. There are trials, there are challenges, which can be compared to having sores and wounds on the body because of the belief in Yahshua that you have those trials, those challenges. And we see from the book of 1st Thessalonians chapter 1 ... 1st Thessalonians chapter 1 verses 4 to 6. It says:

1st Thessalonians 1:4-6 For we know that you are the elected ones my brethren and beloved of Elohim. For our good news did not come to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit, and in much assurance, even as you know how we lived among you for your sakes. And you became imitators of us and of our Master, welcoming the Word in much affliction with joy of the Holy Spirit.

So, we see that the brethren are believing Yahshua; they have those afflictions, which can be compared to in the parable. Yahshua is talking about Eliazar having sores on his body. And we continue with parable, verse 21, the book of Luke chapter 16, it says:

Luke 16:21 and longing to be filled from the crumbs that were falling from the table of the rich one. But coming, even the dogs licked his sores.

So, the dogs licking his sores means that he is regarded and the Jews regard the Gentiles as dogs, because they're outside of the covenant of Israel and they were not having any promise. And now you going to see in the book of Matthew 15 what happened when Yahshua was here on earth and in contact with a lady from the

Gentile nation - what it says there. So, Matthew chapter 15 verses 21 and all through to 28, we are going to read the chapter 15 verse 21, it says:

Matthew 15:21-24 And going out from there, Yahshua withdrew to the parts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan coming forth from those borders cried out to Him, saying, Have pity on me, Master, Son of David! My daughter is badly demon-possessed. But He did not answer her a word. And coming near, His disciples asked Him, saying, Send her away, for she cries out after us. But he answered and said to them, Have I not been sent except to the sheep which went astray from the house of Israel?

Matthew 15:25-28 But coming, she worshiped Him, saying, Master, help me! But answering, He said, It is not good to take the bread of the children to throw it to the little dogs. But she said, Yes, Master; for even the little dogs eat of the crumbs falling from the table of their Masters. Then answering, Yahshua said to her, O woman, great is your faith; let it be to you as you desire. And her daughter was healed from that moment.

So, we see from here, actually through the faith of that woman, a woman from Canaan, that her daughter was obviously healed, who was being badly demon possessed. And Yahshua said, the food is for the children. So, the food is on the table, and you cannot be able to take the food for the children and give it to the little dogs. But the Gentile woman said, even the little crumbs that falls from the table, and then the dogs end up eating that.

And now you see in the parable, Eliazar is eating of the crumbs that are falling from the table. And that means the little bit of the opportunity for salvation, meaning the faith of this Gentile woman, was able to get her daughter being healed. Verse 22, we continued through the parable:

Luke 16:22 And it happened, the poor one died and was carried away by the cherubs into the bosom of Abraham. And the rich one also died and was buried.

So, we see both of them died and they were buried. So none of them is being talked about being in Heaven, but they were buried. And then we see the same terminology being used by Yahweh to Moses in the book of **Numbers 11**, we were not going to go there. It shows that having the same promises being on the bosom of Abraham, and having the same covenant promises as Abraham was having. We continue verse 23, it says:

Luke 16:23 And being in torments in sheol, lifting up his eyes, he sees Abraham afar off and Eliazar in his bosom.

So being in torments means mental anguish. He is not in fire, but he is being resurrected in the second resurrection, and it is evidence that he is not receiving or being given eternal life, but his fate is to the lake of fire. So, with that torments he's lifting up his eyes and seeing Abraham and Eliazar afar, meaning Abraham and Eliazar already being given eternal life because they were in the first resurrection.

And with the resurrection, the one, the person who died, does not know death is like sleep, and they do not know that they have been dead for thousands of years or so many years, but it will be just like a second. And with the same mind, the same knowledge that they were having, now they are getting that hope. This is the effect, and there will be no change there that will happen in the second resurrection that will be done according to the rewards.

And we would like to read from the book of Revelation chapter 20 about the first resurrection, which Abraham and Eliazar are taking part in. They are part of the first resurrection because they are faithful. And it says:

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, ... chapter 20 verses 4 to 6 in the book of Revelation ... And I saw thrones, and they sat on them. And judgment was given to them, and the souls of the ones having been beheaded because of the witness of Yahshua, and because of the Word of YAHWEH, and who had not worshiped the beast nor its image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand. And they lived and reigned with Messiah a thousand years.

Revelation 20:5-6 This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one having part in the first resurrection. The second death has no authority over these, but they will be priests of YAHWEH and of His Messiah, and will reign with Him a thousand years.

So, these are covenant believers in Yahshua. In this time when they were alive and now if they fell asleep, if they died in the Master, then blessed are they, because they take part in the first resurrection. And fully they are to become priests and kings and reign with Yahshua a thousand years. And then after the one thousand years, everybody who ever lived will be resurrected. That is now the second resurrection, and we are going to read down to verse 11 to 15. It says:

Revelation 20:11-12 And I saw a Great White Throne, and the One sitting on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled; and a place was not found for them. And I saw the dead, the small and the great, standing before YAHWEH. And books were opened. And another Book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged out of the things written in the books, according to their works.

Revelation 20:13-15 And the sea gave up the dead in it. And death and the grave gave up the dead in them. And they were each judged according to their works. And death and the grave were thrown into the Lake of Fire. This is the second death. And if anyone was not found having been written in the Book of Life, he was thrown into the Lake of Fire.

So, we see the books are opened, and of course these books are also books of the Bible, because that will be ... the judgment will be based on the Word of Yahweh, that which has been written. And the ones who didn't believe in Yahweh and in Yahshua, then they receive the wages of sin, which is death, and it is death, that is the lake of fire, and they cease to live.

Then we continue with the parable there in verse 25, we go back to Luke verse [chapter] 16, verse 25:

Luke 16:24 And calling he said, Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Eliazar that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and moisten my tongue, for I am tormented by this flame.

There is a footnote there that says:

He is having mental anguish as he realizes that he is not in Yahweh's Kingdom and is about to be thrown into the Lake of Fire.

So that was happening at the second resurrection, the ones that received immortality, they have received eternal life, they will not be judged. And the ones who are being resurrected and judged according to their works will be going to the lake of fire.

If he was already burning in the fire, then it would be most odd that he is only asking for Eliazar to give him a drop of water and not buckets to put the fire out. The analogy is the water is representing the Holy Spirit and the rich man was not seeking the Holy Spirit from Yahweh.

The judgment is fire. So that is now the anguish that he is having and requesting for even the tip of the finger with some water to moisten the tongue, which the water represents the Holy Spirit, and there is only one way to receive the Holy Spirit to be sealed, and us to be the sons of Yahweh. It is through the belief, repentance that believe, and to be baptized in the name of Yahshua; to be laid hands on by an elder of Yahweh to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Verse 25 continues to say:

Luke 16:25 But Abraham said, My Son, remember that you fully received your good things in your lifetime, and Eliazar likewise the bad things. But now he is comforted, and you are tormented.

Abraham and Eliazar have received eternal life, and now the ones who thought that by being physical descendants of Abraham, how he had rights to receive eternal life, it is clearly being shown here that they will be a cast in the lake of fire, and the Scripture expounds on that.

Yahshua, in the book of Luke chapter 13, we go back to the book of Luke, chapter 13, verse 23 to 30, showing us that in the kingdom Abraham, and everybody who believed in Yahshua would be the kingdom. But the sons of the kingdom, those who were born as a physical descendent and did not receive the salvation through Yahshua, they will be cast in the lake of fire. So, I am going to read chapter 13 in Luke verse 23, and it says:

Luke 13:23-30 And a man asked Him, Master, are the ones being saved few? But Yahshua said to them, Labor to enter in through the narrow gate, for I say to you that many will seek to enter in and will not have strength. From the hour that the Master of the house rises and secures the door, then they will stand outside and knock on the door and begin to say, Our Master! Our Master! Open to us! And He will answer and He will say, I say to you that I do not know you from where you are.

Luke 13:26-30 Then you will begin to say, We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets. And He will say, I tell you I do not know you, from where you are. "Depart from Me all workers of falsehood!" There will be weeping and gnashing of the teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of Elohim, but yourselves being thrust out.

Luke 13:29-30 And they will come from east and west, and from north and south, and will recline in the kingdom of YAHWEH. And, behold, there are last ones who will be first, and there are first ones who will be last.

So even Paul talks about in the book of Romans, we are not going to go there, that Isaiah says, even the sons of Israel being as the sand of the sea, the remnant will be saved. So, it is not every last person being a physical descendant of Abraham would receive eternal life, but they have to have to make that choice and accept Yahshua as the Messiah. He continues the parable in verse 26, saying:

Luke 16:26 And besides all these things, a great chasm has been fixed between us and you, so that those desiring to pass from here to you are not able, nor can they pass from there to us.

So, we see there is a difference in the immortal, the ones who have received eternal life, and the ones who are being judged in this physical flesh, because they have been resurrected the way they are with their mortal bodies. So, there is a separation that has already happened, and there will be no change, no crossing over from the mortal who are being resurrected in the second resurrection of judgment to cross over to the immortality that already the ones who partook in the first resurrection will have received eternal life like that. Verse 26 continues, and after that verse 27:

Luke 16:27-28 And he said, Then I beg you, father, that you send him to my father's house; ... verse 28 ... (for I have five brothers, so that he may witness to them, that they not also come to this place of torment).

So, it is interesting that he is now making a reference that they are five brothers. So, who are they? In Isaiah I studied, looking at, in between the testaments, the last book of the Old Testament being the book of Malachi being written from between 450, before Common Era, to 400, before Common Era, and now the New Testament books.

In between there is a lot that happened, and now in the New Testament you have the groups that Yahshua is trying to show them that it happens if one belongs to a group, say the Pharisees or the Sadducees or the Herodian's, they will not make them to become sons of Yahweh just because they have their own self-righteousness, or righteousness according to the Torah that they were proclaiming at that time.

And we go to Matthew chapter 3, to show us these brothers, the five brothers who are they? Matthew chapter 3, verse 1 and 2, and then we will go down to verse 5 to 12. It says:

Matthew 3:1-2 Now in those days John the Baptist came preaching in the deserted places of Judea, and saying, Repent! For the kingdom of Heaven has drawn near.

Verse 5:

Matthew 3:5-9 Then Jerusalem and all Judea went out to him, and all the neighborhood of the Jordan, and were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins. But seeing many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, Offspring of vipers! Who has informed you to flee from the wrath to come? Therefore, bring forth fruits worthy of repentance. And do not suppose to say within yourselves, we have a father, Abraham. For I say to you that YAHWEH is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

Matthew 3:10-12 But already the ax is even laid at the root of the trees; therefore, any tree not bringing forth good fruit is cut off and is thrown into fire. I indeed baptize you in water to repentance; but He who is coming after me is stronger than me, of whom I am not worthy to remove the sandals. He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire, whose fan is in His hand, and He will cleanse His threshing-floor and will gather His wheat into the storehouse. But He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

So, we see here, Yahshua is ... or rather, John the Baptist is telling the Pharisees and the Sadducees, those who are coming to his baptism that they have to repent. Not belonging to a certain religious group, at that time,

made them to become righteous or to be able to be granted eternal life, but to repent and be baptized in water and to receive the Holy Spirit, because there is a judgment coming, where there will be unquenchable fire which depicts now the lake of fire which we have mentioned before.

So, we see two groups here, Sadducees and the Pharisees. The book of Matthew still, chapter 22 ... chapter 22 in the book of Matthew, verse 15 and 16, it says:

Matthew 22:15-16 Then going, the Pharisees took counsel so as they might trap Him in words. And they sent to Him their disciples with the **Herodians**, saying, Teacher, we know that You are true, and teach the way of YAHWEH in truth, and it does not concern You about anyone, for You do not look to the face of men.

So, we see another group there called the Herodian's. And the Herodian's, they were siding with the ruler ship for that time, who were heralding the head of the Romans at that time. And then we also have chapter 23, verse 1 through 3, it mentions about another group, verse 1 through 3, chapter 23 ... Matthew still, it says:

Matthew 23:1-3 Then Yahshua spoke to the crowd and to His disciples, saying, The **scribes** and the Pharisees have sat down on Moses' seat. Then all things, whatever he (Moses) tells you to keep, keep and do. But do not do according to their works, for they talk, and do not do.

So, we see the scribes being another group, and then we also have the zealots, and one of the disciples of Yahweh, Simon, who was a zealot. So those are the ones who believe that they wanted to find physically to have the kingdom of Israel back, at their hands.

And then we also have the Essenes, the Essenes who were in Qumran with John the Baptist, so there is another group of priests who said themselves apart when they saw corruption in the temple, and whatever was taken place at that time, and they wanted to sanctify themselves.

So being an Essene or being in that group, did not in any way, also make them to become the sons of Yahweh to inherit eternal life, but through the belief of Yahshua. And praise Yahweh that in the book of Acts it talks about priests who believe in Yahshua and they were baptized and they will be in the kingdom for that.

So that shows us the five brothers, I believe, that is what it's saying there, that it doesn't make any one of them bring in any of those groups to be the sons of Yahweh. Verse 29 in the book of Luke chapter 16, we continue the parable and it says:

Luke 16:29 Abraham said to him, They have Moses and the Prophets, let them hear them.

So now having Moses and the Prophets means that they had the Scriptures and Yahshua being the Messiah of Israel, there are more than 300 prophecies about the Messiah, in the Old Testament which was fulfilled to the tip by Yahshua Himself, the only one who fulfilled all the Scriptures. And that is why it mentions here that Abraham says to him, they have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them.

We go to the book of John chapter 5 ... John chapter 5, verse 39 ... the book of John, verse chapter 5, verse 39, it says:

John 5:39-42 You search the Scriptures, for you think in them you have everlasting life. And they are the ones witnessing concerning Me. And you are not willing to come to Me that you may receive life. I do not receive glory from men; but I have known you, that you do not have the love of YAHWEH in yourselves.

John 5:43-45 I have come in the name of My Father, and you do not receive Me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive that one. How are you able to believe, you who receive glory from one another, and the glory which is from the only Elohim you do not seek? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father; there is one accusing you, Moses, in whom you have hoped.

John 5:46-47 For if you were believing Moses, you would then believe Me; for that one wrote concerning Me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My Words?

So, we see that you are blinded to the Scriptures. You are reading the Scriptures and the Scriptures were talking about the Messiah, but they were blinded to that and they were coming to Him. So, they have Moses and they have the prophets, let them believe Moses and the prophet, and definitely they will come to the Messiah *if* they have that open heart to want to repent and to receive eternal life. We continue the Parable verses 30 and 31 it says:

Luke 16:30-31 But he said, No, father Abraham, but if one should go from the dead to them, they will repent. And he said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, they would also not listen and believe him if a man from the dead should rise they still would not believe him."

So, what is Yahshua giving here is that even him is going to die and resurrect - from the family. And with this resurrection, they will not believe Him also after His resurrection. So Yahshua here shows that even if they do not believe Moses and the prophets, if somebody resurrects from the dead to preach to them, they will not in any way believe.

And we know what happens after His resurrection in the book of Matthew 28 and we are going to read that, that they gave all money to the soldiers who witnessed the resurrection that "Oh, tell the people that these disciples came and stole the body when you are sleeping at night." And that report went through out even to this day, the Bible says, up to this day. So, showing that they didn't believe in Yahshua's resurrection and in that way, the lost out on the gift that Yahweh is giving out His grace to save mankind.

So, the Gentiles, who Eliazar represents and that they came to one to Israel through faith in Yahshua. Just like Abraham who believed in Yahweh and it counted to him for righteousness.

The book of Romans chapter 4, verse 16, verse 16 to 25, it says:

Romans 4:16-18 On account of this, it is of faith, that it be according to grace, for the promise to be certain to all the seed, not to that of the Law only, but also to that of the faith of Abraham, who is father of us all, according as it has been written, "I have appointed you a father of many nations;" before Elohim, whom He believed, the One making the dead live, and calling the things that are not as if they were. He against hope believed in hope, for him to become a father of many nations, according to what has been said, "So shall your seed be."

Romans 4:19-22 And being about a hundred years old, he never weakened in faith, even when he examined his old body, nor the deadness of Sarah's womb, And he did not hesitate at the promise of Elohim, as one lacking faith; but he was strong in faith, and gave glory to Elohim; and felt assured, that what YAHWEH had promised to him, he was able to fulfill. Because of this, "it was also counted to him for righteousness."

Romans 4:23-25 But it was not written for him only, that it was counted to him, but also on account of us, to whom it is about to be counted, to the ones believing on Him who has raised our Master Yahshua from the dead, who was delivered because of our offences, and was raised because of our justification.

So, Abraham believed in Yahweh and it was counted to him for righteousness. Even us, as we believe in Him, we are about to be counted for righteousness, also as it was. And any person, Yahshua came to His own and His own rejected Him, and to the ones who believed in Him, they were given opportunity to become the children of Elohim, even those who believe in His name.

The book of Galatians, chapter 3 ... the book of Galatians, chapter 3, verse 26 to 29, it says:

Galatians 3:26-29 for you are all sons of YAHWEH through faith in Messiah Yahshua. For as many as were baptized into Messiah, you put on Messiah. There cannot be Jew nor Aramean, there is no slave nor freeman, there is no male and female; for you are all one (echad), united in Messiah Yahshua. And if you are of Messiah, then you are seeds of Abraham, even heirs according to the promise.

So, we see that whoever believes in Yahshua the Messiah and is baptized, then whether he is a Jew, whether He is a Gentile, whether he is free, whether a slave, whether male or female, or one united, he has the same covenant promises as Father Abraham, and we have become heirs according to the promise.

The last scripture, the book of Ephesians, chapter 2, verse 8. The book of Ephesians, chapter 2, verse 8, it says:

Ephesians 2:8-11 For by grace you are saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves; it is the gift of YAHWEH; not of works, that not anyone should boast; for we are His workmanship, created in Messiah Yahshua unto good works, which Elohim before prepared that we should walk in them. Because of this, remember that you, the nations, were then in the flesh from the beginning and you were called Uncircumcision, differing from those called Circumcision, which is the work of the hands in the flesh;

Ephesians 2:12-16 that at that time you were without Messiah, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers of the covenants of promise, having no hope and without Elohim in the world. But now, in Messiah Yahshua you who then were afar off, are brought near by the blood of Messiah. For He is our peace, who has made both one (echad), and has broken down the wall of separation between them, in His flesh He has caused to cease the enmity due to the (man-made) laws in regulations, that He might in Himself create the two into one new man, making peace and He reconciled both in one body to Elohim and destroyed the enmity through the crucifixion.

Ephesians 2:17-22 And coming, He proclaimed "Peace to you, the ones afar off, and to the ones near." For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. So, then, you are no longer strangers and family members living abroad, but you are natives of the same family of the saints and children of the family of YAHWEH, being built up on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yahshua Messiah Himself being the

cornerstone of the building, in whom all the building being fitted together grows into a holy sanctuary in YAHWEH, in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of Elohim in the Spirit.

So, we know what was happening during the temple time that there was a court for the Gentiles, and called the dispersed Israelites coming from the nations, they were regarded as the nations out of the Gentile, and they used to sit in the court of the Gentiles, and that is why Paul is talking about bringing them to become one through the Messiah.

So, the same thing, whether being a physical Israelite or being born with a physical descendant of Abraham, is that of Jacob, or whether it is a Gentile who is being grafted in, we all have one promise, one faith, we become part of one body of Messiah, and we offer the spiritual sacrifices to Yahweh through Master Yahshua.

So, there is no boasting. It is through the believing in Yahshua that all believers are saved, and through them we have access by one Spirit to the Father, and being built up as a holy sanctuary to Yahweh, dwelling in us. It is clear from Scripture that those who reject Yahweh's free gift of eternal life through repentance and the shed blood of Yahshua Messiah, will simply have their mortal bodies burn in the lake of fire and cease to exist.

On the other hand, the lake of fire should stand as a warning to all who knows Yahweh's way of life, and still stubbornly refuse to obey. It is clear from this parable that we have to change now, and we have to work out our salvation with fear and trembling.

Yahweh bless, Chag Semeach.