

## Transcription – From Shepherds to Farmers to Shepherds

Chag Semeach again! And my message today is going to be a little bit deep—something you're going to have to think about. Because we've been having a few messages here on leaving society. And today, I want to talk somewhat about leaving society, but more on the mental part of it, instead of the physical part of it.

We know there's a Scripture in **Revelation 18:4**: *leave the land of her*; is literally what it says. Most translations say, *Come out of her My people*, same thing. But it's specifically talking about ... if you look the words they're leaving your home land, right? But leaving a place, going from one place to another ... well, I guess it's hard also ... but it's not really the fulfillment of the commandment as we know. As we also said Babylon is a system, right? And you have to leave the system as well as the land itself.

So today, I want to talk about, not the changing of the *place* but the changing of the *mindset*, okay? And the name of the message is called, *From Shepherds to Farmers to Shepherds ... From Shepherds to Farmers to Shepherds*. So in Scripture, starting with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Israelites were shepherds, right? So I don't think ... is there anybody here who is a shepherd? I know Petra's grandfather, I think it was, was a shepherd. And I'm going to show you it's a very different mentality from a shepherd to a farmer.

So, but when we look at the father of the faithful, right; whether you are Jewish, whether you're Muslim, whether you're Christian, Abraham is the father of the faithful to **all three** major religions, right? And Abraham was a shepherd. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were shepherds. When they went into the Promised Land they became farmers. And I want to explain the difference in here from this perspective of the mindset.

So from a shepherd to a farmer it's **a totally different mindset**. The way that you think is completely different lifestyle and way of thinking. One lives in a house; one is a nomad living in [a] tent. So as I'm talking about it today though, I'm not going to be talking about us **literally becoming** shepherds and going out with a staff and shepherding or planting in fields. Because as I'm going to show you most people that have *a farmer mentality*, they're not farmers. They're not literally planting. But I want to show you the mentality between a shepherd and a farmer.

So, what does a shepherd need? We'll start out with shepherds, right? Because Abraham, Isaac and Jacob before they came in the Promised Land they were shepherds. **A shepherd needs grass**, right, because a shepherd has a flock. And he needs grass that the flock can eat. And that's why he's a wanderer because he doesn't have a land. He goes wherever it is.

And it's interesting even in Israel, the name *Negev*, the Negev Desert, right ... where the desert starts is different every year, depending on how much rain you got because the desert doesn't start in a *place*. There's not a line. **The desert starts where there's no rain**, right? Its semi-arid environment, what means they get less than whatever it is, three inches of rain a year. So that changes from year to year depending on that.

**A nomad is usually living in tents in the wilderness away from society**. So the first thing I want to show you, I want to go to Genesis 46, starting in verse 31 ... is **to us**, because we love the Bible, we look at shepherds as the best people, right? Wow! A shepherd! And Abraham was a shepherd. But that's not the way shepherds are looked at. Shepherds are looked at as like the lowest of life. Like the people that ... Ugh! They're like nothing, they're shepherds. So Genesis 46 in verse 31:

**Genesis 46:31-34** *And Joseph said to his brothers, and to the house of his father, I will go up and report to Pharaoh. And I will say to him, ... this is when Joseph's family is coming and they're going to meet Pharaoh. And Joseph says ... I will say to Pharaoh, My brothers and the house of my father, who were in the land of Canaan, have come in to me. And the men are shepherds of flocks for they have been men of cattle. And their flocks and their herds, and all which belong to them they have brought in. And it shall be, when Pharaoh calls to you and says, What is your occupation? You shall say, Your*

*servants have been men of **livestock** from our youth even until now, both we and our fathers. This is so that you may live in the land of Goshen. For **the abomination of Egypt is every shepherd of flocks.***

Right? So, it's like that movie "Oklahoma". Remember the cowboy and the farmer should be friends because they're different? They're different people. And it's the same thing here. It was looked at as something **great** if you were working with cattle and you're a cowboy with a hat. They didn't have cowboys back then. But if you were a shepherd, like it says here, *For the abomination of Egypt is every shepherd of flocks.* So it wasn't looked at as something great and something powerful. And who does Yahweh call? He calls Abraham, Isaac and Jacob - three shepherds. But it's the mentality as I'm going to show you. Genesis 12, starting in verse 1:

**Genesis 12:1-4** *And YAHWEH said to Abram, Go out from your land and from your kindred, and from your father's house, to the land which I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation. And I will bless you and make your name great; and you will be a blessing. And I will bless those who bless you, and curse the one despising you. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed. And Abram went out, even as YAHWEH had spoken to him. And Lot went with him. And Abram was a son of seventy five years when he departed from Haran.*

So, what happens? We talk about this all the time, the faith of Abraham, right? "Abraham, get up and go!" Abraham gets up and go. But why? Because **he had the mentality of a shepherd**, right? Shepherds go. That's what they are, even if Yahweh didn't call him. If there's no grass here, they have to move. **They're nomads. They're not planted. They're not grounded.** So Yahweh couldn't do that to someone with a farmer's mentality because they would have said, "Where am I going? Is there a place here? Am I going to have a house?" But He called somebody with a shepherd's mentality. "Abraham, get up and go!" And Abraham got up and go.

So Abraham was a shepherd; picked up his flocks, his servants and he followed. **He relied on Yahweh to make the path, to protect and provide.** You know why? Because that's what shepherds do; **shepherds need Yahweh to make that path.** They don't know where they're going. They're following the path of Yahweh because they have to do that.

If we go to Hebrews 11, verse 8 and 9. We see the same thing. It says:

**Hebrews 11:8-9** *Having been called out by faith, Abraham obeyed to go forth to a place which he was going to receive an inheritance; and **he went out not understanding where he went.** By faith he **resided as a foreigner** in the land of promise, living ... where? ... **in tents** with Isaac and Jacob, the joint-heirs of the same promise;*

Right? He's a Bedouin. And I think of my good friend in Israel, the bus driver, who I've known for many years. And he was telling me about his father. That his father became very rich and they built this gigantic, big house. But because his father was a Bedouin, he was a shepherd, he would still sleep in the tent in front of the house. Even though he had this wonderful big house with air conditioning and heat and everything he couldn't sleep there. He wanted to sleep in the tent in front of the house because **he had that shepherd's mentality.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 7 in verse 4 ... because we're going to see who else had a shepherd's mentality ... King David, right? So the **people that were the closest to Yahweh** ... when you look at Abraham, you look at David, you look at Moses ... all of them had shepherd mentality. 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 7 in verse 4:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 7:4-6** *And it happened in the night, the Word of YAHWEH was to Nathan the prophet, saying, Go, and you shall say to **My servant, to David,** ... King Daveed ... So says YAHWEH, Will you build a house for Me, for My dwelling? For **I have not dwelt in a house even from the day of My bringing the sons of Israel out of Egypt, to this day; but I have been moving around in a tent, in a shepherds hut.***

**Comment:** So is Yahweh the Elohim of farmers, the planted ones? Or is He the Elohim of shepherds? That's what Yahweh was. And He allowed David, as we're going to see, to build it because his heart was right, but it was never His intention. **Yahweh was Elohim of shepherds.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 7:6-8** *For I have not dwelt in a house even to the day of bringing the sons of Israel out of Egypt, to this day; but I have been moving about in a tent, even in a shepherds hut. In all places in which I have gone with all Israel's sons, have I spoken a word with one of the tribes, those I commanded to shepherd My people Israel, saying, Why have you not built for me a house of cedars? And now, so you shall say to My servant, to David, So says YAHWEH of Hosts, I have taken you from the good **pasture**, from the following of the flock, to be ruler over My people, over Israel.*

So the reason why David was able to be king ... and I can't think of another king that says he was a shepherd in Israel ... but the reason why he was able to be such a king was because **he never lost that shepherd's heart**. He had that shepherd mentality. He kept it. And that's why Yahweh was able to use him.

Exodus 18 ... we see Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, right? He's not a pagan priest. He's the priest of Yahweh and he's a shepherd. And that's why. What was Moses saying to him? "Please come with us! You could be our eyes and our ears." He knows all the area because they **wandered** through those areas for generations and generations. Exodus 18 verse 1 says:

**Exodus 18:1** *And Jethro the priest of Midian, the father-in-law of Moshe, heard all that which Elohim had done for Moshe and for His people Israel, that YAHWEH had caused Israel to go out from Egypt ... verse 10:*

**Exodus 18:10-12** *And Jethro said, Blessed be YAHWEH who has delivered you from the hand of Egypt, and from the hand of Pharaoh; He has delivered the people from under the hand of Egypt. Now I know that YAHWEH is greater than all Elohim; truly, in the way in which He acted proudly against them. And Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, took a burnt offering and sacrifices to Elohim. And Aaron and all the elders of Israel came to eat bread before Elohim with Moses' father-in-law.*

Right? Wow. So if this was pagan they wouldn't have been doing that. But he was ... where did Yahweh dwell? In Mount Seir; before He was in Mount Sinai and even before he was in ... before Jerusalem and Mount Sinai, He lived in Mount Seir. And He was the Bedouin Elohim. We see this in the book of Job; oldest book in the Bible. That's where Yahweh is dwelling.

The other thing we see ... Luke 15, verse 4 through 6 ... we'll see something else about shepherds. **Shepherds are very compassionate people**. You see they're very compassionate. Luke 15 in verse 4:

**Luke 15:4-6** *What man of you having a hundred sheep, and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety nine in the open and go after the lost one until he finds it? And finding it, he puts it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And coming into the house, he calls together the friends and neighbors, saying to them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that had been lost.*

And again, if you don't have a shepherd's mindset, you'll think, "No, no, no I can't risk the ninety-nine to go after the one." But that's a shepherd's mindset. **The shepherd's mindset is he's filled with pity. He's filled with compassion. He's filled with mercy**. And he doesn't even want to let **one** let loose, one to go.

Psalms 78 in verse 70 ... we see this with King David ... Psalm 78 in verse 70:

**Psalm 78:70-72** *And He also chose His servant David, and took him from the folds of the flock; He brought him in from the suckling ewes; He brought him to feed His people Jacob, and His inheritance, Israel. And **he fed them in the integrity of his heart; and guided them in the skillfulness of his hands.***

And remember when the Prophet Nathan was trying to show David his sin with Bathsheba? And he had the woman come in and say, tell the story, there was this man and he had one little ewe lamb and this person had all them. **King David was furious** and was like, "That person should be killed!" and then he said, "The person is you!"

But the heart of a shepherd ... that here it is ... he's the king. And normally kings, what would they care about one person and one little lamb and everything else? "Don't bother me with this kind of stuff!" No. He had the shepherd's heart. He had the shepherd mentality and he never lost it. And that's what made him a good king. And that's what will make him rule with Yahshua forever. **David was a man after Yahweh's heart because he had a shepherd's heart.**

So now let's go into a farmer. Farmer's completely different mindset. Like I said, not just talking about going out and farming potatoes or whatnot ... we're not talking about the literal **work of it**. We're talking about the *mindset* of it. So what does a farmer need? Land! Right? So the children of Israel, four hundred years from Abraham's time that is, not the time they're in bondage. It's only about half of that after Joseph. But all together it's four hundred years that they're in Egypt and what **don't they have**? Land!

When Abraham came into the Promised Land, he lived in all the areas. The only land he had, was what? The burial place in Machpela, to bury his people, but he didn't have land. And that's why he wandered. He wandered all the way up from Hebron, going down to Beersheva. Jacob, the same thing; coming up from Shechem, coming all the way down, going into Egypt. They did not own any land. But **the farmer needs land**. You can't be a farmer without land. So that's the first thing: **the mentality of a farmer is to be grounded**. Right? So, a farmer needs land, a shepherd is a wanderer. A farmer is planted. He's stationary and he's **secure** because the security that he *thinks he has* is in that place.

And I'll tell you something, over the years I've been teaching about America being Babylon since the mid 1990's. You won't believe how many people were honest enough with me to say, "Yes, I see America is Babylon. There's no way to deny that from Scripture but I could never leave my house." They literally would say **a house**, a piece of wood that could burn down tomorrow, that **that is the reason** they would never leave. It's interesting, not even family or parents or something else but the house! They would never leave their house. What mentality is that? It's a farmer's mentality, right?

So now, the Israelites, first they were shepherds when they come into Israel, now, they're getting the farmer mentality. And this is what caused them problems to a large degree. So a farmer needs land. Yehoshua 14 in verse 1 ... book of Yehoshua 14 in verse 1 ... what happens as soon as they come into the Promised Land? They get their allotments.

**Yehoshua 14:1-3** *And these are they of the sons of Israel who inherited the land of Canaan, from Eleazar the priest and Yehoshua the son of Nun and the heads of the fathers to the tribes of the sons of Israel caused to inherit. Their inheritance was by lot, as YAHWEH commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and the half tribes; ... remember two and a half were on the other side where we are now ... for Moses had given the inheritance of two of the tribes and the half, beyond the Jordan; and he did not give any inheritance to the Levites among them.*

**Yehoshua 14:4-5** *For the sons of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim. And they did not give a portion to the Levites in the land, except cities to live in, with open land around them for their livestock and for their substance, as YAHWEH commanded Moses, so the sons of Israel did, and they allotted the land.*

So wow, so now the whole mindset, right? For forty years, they had a shepherd's mentality. They had their flocks and their goats and they're going around out in the wilderness. But now they're coming into the Promised Land. **And they're given land. They're given in their mind security**, right? They're given being able to be stationary and it's going to change everything how they think.

Leviticus 25:23 though ... that they kind of forgot. Right, what does it say? *The land is Mine*; Yahweh says that about that:

**Leviticus 25:23** *And the land shall not be sold in perpetuity; for the land is Mine; for you are aliens and tenants among Me.*

And this is the problem with the farmer mentality. There's nothing wrong with having land. There's nothing wrong with farming land. It's something that Yahweh's had from the beginning. **It's the mentality of thinking that something**

**belongs to you. It's the mentality of possessing.** And we know in Corinthians, what does it say? He says in the end time, **"we use but we don't possess"**. And that's why like I said, if I have a car I need then I use it. But if I don't need that car anymore I give it to somebody else that needs it more than me.

But you don't want to get that farmer's mentality; **the farmer mentality of possession**. Because once you get that, what happens? You don't want to leave your possession. And **you're thinking you're security is in the things that you have there, particularly land**. And Yahweh says first of all the land belongs to Him. It belongs to nobody else. And as we're going to see, when people have that farmer mentality, especially with land, they'll do anything. **They'll do anything to keep land. And they'll do anything to get land** because they're thinking that's where their security is going to come from.

Let's go to 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21. I'll go through one story here that kind of sets that point. 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21 ... I'll start in verse 1. And this is the story with Ahab, right, and Naboth.

**1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21:1- 3** *And it happened after these things, Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard in Jezreel, close to the palace of Ahab the king of Samaria. And Ahab spoke to Naboth, ... We've actually seen this area many times before, right? ... Ahab spoke to Naboth saying, Give me your vineyard, and it shall be a garden of herbs for me, for it is near my house. And I will give to you in its place a better vineyard than that. If it is good in your eyes, I will give silver to you, the price of this one. And Naboth said to Ahab, Far be it from me, by YAHWEH, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers to you.*

**Comment:** So Naboth had the right mindset, right? He knew it all belonged to Yahweh and he knew that Yahweh gave each tribe a certain area, a certain inheritance. So he's saying, "I don't care what you give me. I'm not going to give my father's inheritance to you." But what did Ahab have? He had the farmer's mentality. He had the mentality of "No, no, no this land is going to give me security and I'm going to get it anyway I can."

**1<sup>st</sup> King 21:4-6** *And Ahab came into his house sullen and angry over the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken. For he had said, I will not give the inheritance of my fathers to you. And he lay on his bed and turned away his face, and would not eat. For his wife Jezebel came in to him, and said to him, Why is your spirit sullen that you are not eating food? And he said to her, Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite and said to him, Give me your vineyard for silver, or if you desire, I will give you a vineyard in its place. And he said, I will not give you my vineyard.*

**Comment:** So why doesn't he just go and put a vineyard somewhere else? Because he has a farmer's mentality. He wants to possess it.

**1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21:7** *And his wife Jezebel said to him, Do you not rule over Israel? Rise up, eat food and let your heart be good. I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.*

Let's drop down to verse 9:

**1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21:9** *And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth at the head of the table ... right? But they're only setting him up. Then we'll drop down to verse 10-16 ... next verse:*

**1 Kings 21:10-12** *And set two men, sons of worthlessness, across from him; and you shall testify of him, saying, You have cursed Elohim and the king. And they shall bring him out and stone him; and he shall die. And the men of his city, the elders and the nobles who lived in his city, did as Jezebel had sent to them, as was written in the letters that she sent to them. They proclaimed a fast, and made Naboth to sit at the head of the people.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21:13-14** *And two men, sons of worthlessness, came in and sat across from him. And the men of worthlessness testified of Naboth before the people, even saying, Naboth has cursed Elohim and the king. And they took him out to the outside of the city, and stoned him with stones. And he died. And they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth has been stoned and is dead.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Kings 21:15-16** *And it happened when Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned, and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab, Rise up, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, for he refused to give you for silver. For Naboth is not alive, but dead. And it happened, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab rose to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.*

Wow! So, here we see, right? **People fight wars and kill over land.** We're seeing this right now in Ukraine, right? So when people get that mentality of a farmer; the farmer mentality of **possession** and they're *thinking* that's where their security is. And they're thinking that's what they're going to rely on, this is the end result.

Deuteronomy 8 in verse 11 ... because another thing that happens when the people get a farmer's mentality, they don't believe they have to rely on Yahweh anymore, right? And that's what we said, the only reason for the Shemita. The Shemita is like the manna; it's like going back, it's relying on Yahweh. But when you get the farmer's mentality, right, and you got your own land and you could produce your own things, there's no need to rely on Yahweh anymore for that.

I tell the story that years ago when we were living in an area that didn't have water, it only had a cistern in the house. And that's was the first time in my life I ever prayed for rain so the cistern would fill. Before that, I use to pray for sunshine! We're having a picnic. We're going to have a softball game. Never prayed for rain because I didn't need it; all I had to do was turn on the faucet. But then you go to the house and you find out there's no water coming out, why? Because the cistern's broken and there's no rain then there's no water. It's relying on Yahweh. But when you have that farmer's mentality, right, there's no need to rely on Yahweh because you have land. You have food. You have whatever. Deuteronomy 8 in verse 11:

**Deuteronomy 8:11-14** *Take heed to yourself, lest you forget YAHWEH your Elohim so not to keep His commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I am commanding you today; that when you have eaten and are satisfied, and have built goodly houses, and have lived in them; and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold have multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then it rises in your heart, and you forget YAHWEH your Elohim who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slaves; ... drop down to verse 17:*

**Deuteronomy 8:17** *that you not say in your heart, **My power and the might of my hand have made for me this wealth.***

*But you shall remember YAHWEH your Elohim, for **it is He who gives to you power to make wealth; and He who established His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as to this day.***

So, I hope you're starting to understand there's a **big difference** between the farmer's mentality and the shepherd's mentality. **The shepherd has to pray to Yahweh every day because he's a wanderer** and he's praying for that. The farmer ... and that's what Yahweh is saying, He's saying, He's not saying, "Don't forget Me when you don't have food. Don't forget Me when it's bad." ... because that's when they pray to Him. But **He's saying, "When everything is good and you have all fruit and food coming out of your land—that's the time, you don't forget Me."** Don't get the farmer's mentality.

Luke 12 in verse 15 ... and it can be very subtle. The farmer mentality can come; creep up very, very subtle. You know in life as people start getting better jobs, making more money, it can very subtly creep in – that farmer mentality. And we see it here in Luke 12 in verse 15:

**Luke 12:15-18** *And He said to the disciples, Beware of all greediness, because **life is not in the abundance of wealth.** And He spoke a parable to them, saying, A certain rich man produced well from the land. And he reasoned within himself, saying, What may I do, for I have nowhere I may gather my fruits? And he said, I will do this; I will tear down my barns and I will build larger; and I will gather there all my produce and my goods.*

**Luke 12:19-21** *And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many good things laid up for many years; take rest, eat, drink, and be glad. And Elohim said to him, Fool! Your soul will be required from you in this night; and that which you prepared, to whom will it be? Such is he who lays up treasures for himself, and does not abound in Elohim.*

And I'm telling you. This is a core problem in the world today and in the Congregation today even, in certain respects, of people having a farmer's mentality of possession, instead of having the shepherd's mentality of trust.

Revelation 3 ... because this goes to the core of the Laodicean. The Laodicean, I mean is the epitome of the farmer's mentality. And like I said, it's not that they're actually farming; it's the mentality that they have. It's the mentality of a farmer. Revelation 3 in verse 17 and 18:

**Revelation 3:17a** *Because you say, ... this is the Laodicean saying it ... I am rich, and I am **made rich**, ...*

**Comment:** So he's not just rich but it's like he's sticking it to Yahweh, "I'm not only rich, but I'm **made rich**." Do you remember years ago, I don't know if you remember when Barack Obama was running for president, and he made a comment, something like, "You didn't build that!" And boy, did he offend Americans. And he was trying to show them that they had to get money from banks and they had to get this other stuff. And of course, his mind was on the socialism part of it. But when he said, "You didn't build that." they were all offended, "Oh yes I did! I built my business and I worked my business! Right? And I'm rich and I made myself rich!" Exactly what the Laodicean says.

**Revelation 3:17b** *and in need of nothing, and do you not know you are miserable and a wanderer and poor and blind and naked.*

**Comment:** Because the Laodicean and the person with that mindset, right, with the farmer's mindset, they don't realize that they're more of a wanderer than the shepherd because they have no judicial order. They have no structure in their life. And you look, look in the world today, look in Hollywood in America. The richest people are the most miserable people. They have no idea where they are coming and going. And you're seeing how many of these people now are committing suicide. And they all go to psychiatrists and phycologists which aren't going to make them any better.

What heals your mind is the Spirit of Yahweh, not a phycologist in Satan's world that is going to just try to tell you why it's everybody else's fault that you're having these problems. But this is the Babylonian, right? And they're wanderers and they're poor. They don't realize **spiritually** they're that way.

**Revelation 3:18** *I advise you to buy from Me gold having been fired by fire, that you may really be rich; with white garments, that you may be clothed, and your shame and nakedness may not be revealed. And anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see.*

Like I said, I pray to Yahweh, thank Him every day that I have eyes to see. And it's sad when I actually hear from people that even though we know that everything in this world will burned up. Even though we know the only thing you're taking into the Kingdom of Yahweh is the character you're building that people will actually say, "Yes, I know about Babylon but I will not leave because of land."

Wow! And yet, what does Yahweh say in Genesis 1:26, right? Genesis 1:26:

**Genesis 1:26** *Elohim said, let Us make man in Our own image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and the birds of the heaven, over the cattle of the earth, and the creeping things creeping.*

**Yahweh gave us rulership, not ownership.** So nobody owns anything. Everything ... **Psalm 24** *Everything belongs to Yahweh anyway.* So if you have something that He's allowing you temporarily to be put in your name in care of Him ... great, use it! Use it for His purpose. Nothing wrong with that! But **don't get the idea of possession**, right? Yahweh gave us rulership, not ownership. And we have to have that *mindset* because Israel went from shepherds to farmers. But in the end time now I want to show you we're going back to shepherds. And **unless you get the shepherd mindset and get that farmer mindset out of your mind, you will make the Kingdom of Yahweh.** You have to.

I know it's interesting when we started our communities in certain areas, particularly certain areas in Africa. And the people loved the idea of it, right? "Wow, you mean I'll get free land? And I'm going to get free food and free this and free that?" And it's like, "No, no, no, no, no this isn't ... this isn't welfare state." And sometimes people would have a little piece of land somewhere that wasn't even worth maybe a few hundred dollars, and they were not willing to sell that land to come into the community because they thought they were going to lose something.

Some of our ... when we first started this way back and we had brethren living in UN camps and they didn't want to leave that camp because every month they were getting five kilos of flour and five kilos of sugar. I said they might as well just give you the bullet too to shoot you ... and corn oil; all the things that are terrible for you. But they were **afraid of losing that** and eventually they all came when they saw it worked. Some of those areas we have almost a thousand people in one community, right? But the communities are Yahweh's.

It's the mentality. Do you have a mentality of possessing? Or do you have the mentality of a nomad like Abraham has? That's what got Abraham into the Kingdom. So, we have to go back now to that mentality. The Laodicean have the farmer's mentality, the **planted** mentality with their money, their houses, they would never leave ... some, not all. And they think they **created** their wealth. They're blinded to the reality. And I'm not saying when I say Babylonian; I'm not just talking about USA. I'm talking about worldwide because **the system of Babylon is everywhere**. And believe me, I found more Babylonian mindset outside of America than inside of America because it's everywhere. It's everywhere you look. But we have to get back to that farmer's mentality.

Let me go **all the way back to the beginning** to a story that will kind of be a good example for us ... Genesis 4 ... with none other than Cain and Abel. Let's take a look. Genesis 4 verse 1:

**Genesis 4:1** *And the man (Adawm) knew his wife Chavah. And she conceived and bore Cain, and said, **I have gotten a man, YAHWEH.***

Why did she think that the man was Yahweh? Because the prophecy in **Genesis 3:15**. What did the prophecy say? That the seed of the woman would come and he would be the Messiah. And they're not knowing that this is many, many, many years in the future. They're thinking it's there. So they have, the first child comes out and they say, "We'll name him Cain." Where does that come from? The word comes from the Hebrew root of *to redeem, to purchase back*.

And then all of a sudden he has a twin! And he's coming out and they're like, "Uh, oh, no Yahweh only prophesied one!" So what do they call him? Havel [Abel], worthlessness you know. "We only need one. We really don't need this guy." So you would think actually that the problem would be with Havel. If he was going to a phycologist today, he would be, "Oh, you're the younger brother. You're the ... you're always ... you never get ... I know. We understand this." But praise Yahweh, there were no phycologists back in that day.

So they come together ... and then verse 3:

**Genesis 4:3-4a** *And it was in the end of days, it happened that Cain brought an offering to YAHWEH from the fruit of the ground. And Havel brought also, from the firstlings of his flock, even from their fat.*

**Comment:** So what happens here? What are we looking at? We're looking at Havel—Abel is the shepherd and Cain is the farmer. And like I said, **not necessarily the work of either of them but the mindset**, right? The mindset of a farmer compared to the mindset of a shepherd.

**Genesis 4:4b-7** *And YAHWEH looked to Abel and to his offering. But He did not look to Cain and his offering. And Cain glowed greatly with anger, and his face fell. And YAHWEH said to Cain, Why do you angrily glow, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, is there not exaltation? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is toward you; but you should rule over it.*



So we see the mindset of the farmer, right? He's got to protect what's his. And we see it's that Laodicean mindset that they're *thinking* that what they're doing is good and even when they're giving their offering. It's not to give their offering to bless Yahweh, it's to give their offering to be *shown* that their offering is great.

So what we see here, like I said, Abel was a shepherd, Cain was a farmer—full of pride, self-arrogance. He thought that he was the promised one and therefore what did he do? He brought a bloodless sacrifice, right? Since he was the promised one, right, since he had the land, he thought he was better than his brother. And he didn't feel he needed to bring a blood sacrifice. He brings a bloodless sacrifice and not just the sacrifice itself but the mentality of it. Yahweh sees it and doesn't accept it.

There's no effort to a bloodless sacrifice. And what is the ultimate meaning of this? **Abel wanted to give praise with an offering. Cain wanted to get praise with the offering.** And what is it with us? Yahweh says don't let your right hand know what your left hand is doing when you're giving, right? You just do it. Not to be patted on the back. Not to be said how great you are. You're doing it because it's part of you. You have that shepherd's heart. You want to give and you want to share. But **the heart of the farmer, he wants to be recognized.** So it's a big difference here. Abel wanted to **give praise** with an offering. Cain wanted to **get praise** for bringing it ... very, very different. And we want to make sure we're not like that with our tithes and offering with Yahweh.

Back to Revelation 18 ... Revelation 18 in verse 4 ... back to Babylon I should say.

**Revelation 18:4** *And I heard another voice out of Heaven saying, leave the land of her, My people, that you may not share in her sins, and that you may not receive of her plagues;*

So like I said, anybody can leave the land. Through the years I met many, many people in Israel that would ... we'd get ... they're not from the Congregation, just people I'd meet that also believed America was Babylon. And they'd say they left and they'd go around for a few weeks, maybe a month and they wound up back in Babylon. And the vast majority of people I knew for many, many years I couldn't even think of one that stayed out of Babylon. Why? Because they had a farmer's mentality.

And that's why I say, I said this many times that the Bible doesn't tell you when to **physically** leave the land of Babylon USA. So for everybody it's different. There's people that would to leave and can't get out. But to leave, to have Yahweh cut those ties, to be out of that dirty, filthy place, and then willfully choose on your own to go back there—to me it almost equates with the unpardonable sin. Because it's showing where your **heart is** to Yahweh. It's showing that Yahweh has **released you from this system of filth.** And as we're hearing these sermons here about getting out of the society because it's ... **we're in the last days! If you're not going to get out now, when would you get out?** Its six thousand years are almost over! At what point do you think it's going to be to get out of this filth?

And as we saw with Covid, you don't have much of a choice anymore. Because you're either going to make those plans now and get out in faith and be happy, or you're going to be forced out, or take the mark of the beast anyway. But that's what we see. And I think Cain and Abel is a perfect example of that. And when we're looking at **Revelation 18, Come out of her My people,** right? I did a message many years ago, *Change of Heart Before Change of Land.*

Leaving America means **zero** if you're taking the farmer's mentality with you; it means nothing ... absolutely nothing unless you change your mentality. And that's why Yahweh started with shepherds. He showed them, to farmers in Israel, and then what happened? They weren't doing good as farmers. And they got put back in captivity until now. All of us ... all of us one degree or another are Israelites, right, our heritage. But Yahweh kept us here now so that we don't get that farmer's mentality.

We see our brother Judah a lot, with their mentality ... wow! You would think after 2520 years of captivity that our brother Judah would have come back humble and changed. No way! They're more obstinate today than they ever were

because they're still keeping that farmer's mentality. They didn't bring a shepherd mentality back with them. We have to get that shepherd mentality. We need to go back to being shepherds and coming out of the system and cut off the roots that we had there.

1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16 ... go back to another great story here. Everybody knows the story of King David, right? Before he was king and when he fought Goliath. Before we get into that we want to show **why was David chosen?** 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16—Yahweh didn't just pick him because he was the youngest or he was the smallest because he was a great warrior though. But Yahweh picked him for one reason. Let's see what He says here:

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16:1** *And YAHWEH says to Samuel, ... 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16:1 ... Until when will you mourn for Saul, for I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? ... Why? Because he had the shepherd's mentality when he started but he went into a farmer's mentality very, very quickly. He says he rejected him ... Fill your horn with oil and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have seen a king for Me among his sons ... drop down to verse 7.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16:7** *And YAHWEH said to Samuel, Do not look on the appearance, nor to the height of his stature, for I have rejected him. For man does not see what He sees. For man looks for the eyes, but YAHWEH looks toward the heart.*

**Comment:** Right? The person that has the shepherd's heart ... verse 11:

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 16:11-13** *And Samuel said to Jesse, Are these all the young men? And he said, There yet remains the youngest; and behold, he is feeding the flock ... he's the shepherd ... And Samuel said to Jesse, Send and bring for him, for we will not sit until he comes in. And he sent and brought him in. And he was ruddy ... he was red hair ... with beautiful eyes and good form. And YAHWEH said, Rise up, anoint him, for this is he. And Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of YAHWEH came upon David from that day and onward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.*

So the reason he was picked is because he had a shepherd's heart. He had a shepherd's mindset. John 10 ... John 10 in verse 11. Because we know who the Son of David, right ... his Descendant many, many generations later—our King and our Savior Yahshua also had a shepherd's heart. John 10 in verse 11 ... this is Yahshua speaking:

**John 10:11** *I am the Good Shepherd! The Good Shepherd lays down His life on behalf of the sheep.*

**Comment:** Can you imagine that a shepherd ... and King David says this, "I fought the bear; I fought the lion." Wow! Can you imagine you have sheep behind you and you got to fight a bear or a lion? Would you fight to protect those sheep? Would you do it? He did. And that's what Yahshua says:

**John 10:11-12** *I am the Good Shepherd! The Shepherd lays down His life on behalf of the sheep. But the hireling, not even being a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and he forsakes the sheep and leaves. And the wolf seizes them, and scatters them.*

**Comment:** So all of these hirelings out there, right? All these people selling the Word of Yahweh that, "I got this information and you cannot enter the Kingdom without it! \$49.99, plus tax, plus shipping!" They're hirelings. And what do they have? They don't have a shepherd's heart. They have the farmer's heart. They're looking for money. They live in big million dollar houses. And they're looking to make a mockery of Yahweh's good news by that. But Yahshua says:

**John 10:13 -15** *The hireling flees because he's a hireling, and there is not a care to him concerning the sheep ... he could care less ... I am the Good Shepherd, and I know those that are Mine, and I am known by the ones that are Mine. Even as the Father knows Me, I also know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.*

Do we have that shepherd's heart? Are we willing? This is the way you ... **a friend will lay down his life for each other.** And as brothers and sisters, right, this is our family. Are we ready? Not to just share something if it's needed. **Are we**

**ready to die for each other?** Are we ready to literally lay down our life for each other and help each other? Because **that's the heart** that will go into the Kingdom; **that's the heart that Yahweh's looking for**. To go ... we went from shepherds to farmers, but now in the end time we got to go back to shepherds. We got to go back to that shepherd's heart that He's looking for.

Psalm 23 ... most famous Psalm and most beautiful Psalm in Scripture—written, again by King David.

**Psalm 23:1** *A Psalm of David. YAHWEH is my shepherd; I shall not lack.*

**Comment:** Right? So that's the other thing, the shepherd never lacks. The shepherd is completely content wherever Yahweh leads, the shepherd goes. And he only has ... his mind doesn't even think on un-contentment, wouldn't even think that way. Because wherever he's going, he has that trust and that faith in Yahweh that Yahweh brought him there. So why would he ever question it? Did Abraham ever question Yahweh? Where he was or where he's going to? No! Even when his human side, like when he tried to say Sarah was his sister because he was afraid, he still never questioned Yahweh because he had the shepherd's heart.

**Psalm 23:1-2** *YAHWEH is my shepherd; I shall not lack. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me to waters of rest;*

**Comment:** Right? So that's the point when you have the shepherd's heart. **Wherever Yahweh is taking you that day that's a green pasture.** That's where you are. Do you have that mindset of who do I need to speak to today? Who may be is out there that's hurting that needs me to go up and tell them, "Hey, be encouraged!" Because when you have the farmer's mentality and you're only thinking about yourself and your possessions, you're never even seeing. You're never even seeing that a brother or sister may be looking down, maybe hurting. Because you're thinking of yourself. It's completely different mentality. Like I said, like Abel wanting to **give** to Yahweh compared to Cain wanting to be patted on the back for what he's given.

**Psalm 23:2-4** *He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me to waters of rest; He restores my soul; He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me ... Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.*

Right? The shepherd has the rod and the shepherd has the staff. And like we said, the rod sometimes you have to use to beat off the enemy, right? The same way the Torah sometimes has to knock us in line. And the staff is to gently guide and lead.

But interesting enough if you look up these words for rod and staff, the definition of them is not so much different. But Yahweh leads with a Shepherd's staff. When He took the children of Israel out of Egypt, right, He didn't come with military. He didn't come with spears. He didn't come with arrows. He led them out with a Shepherd's staff.

Rod, the word for rod *mattah* in Scripture, the meaning means: *to stick to assist in ... a stick to assist in walking, discipline, in guidance*; but also a scepter for a king. It's the same word that's used. So that's the point. **Yahweh leads and guides us gently, right, with the shepherd's staff.** But someday He's going to turn that staff into the scepter of a King. It's like I said, the definition is fairly similar to the staff and the rod.

And let's look at 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17 in verse 37. And this is where David was fighting Goliath. Did he use armor? Did he use military armor? No. He used a shepherd's staff. 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17 in verse 37:

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:37** *And David said, YAHWEH, who has delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, He shall deliver me from the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said to David, Go, and YAHWEH be with you.*

**Comment:** Can you imagine how much older Saul is than David? He's definitely a lot bigger than him. David couldn't even wear his armor. And this guy is king of the land and he's letting this young kid go out and do his work? Wow! Right there's got to tell you for Saul, this isn't going to end good. But **David had courage because he had a shepherd's heart.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:38-39** *And Saul clothed David with his apparel, and put a copper helmet on his head, and clothed him with body armor. And David girded his sword and his apparel, and started to go. But he had not tested these. And David said to Saul, I am not able to go with these, for I have not tested them. And David took them off.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:40-41** *And he took his staff in his hand ... that's what he took. He took the staff of a shepherd ... and chose for himself five smooth stones from the valley ... and where did he put them? In a shepherd's bag, right? It was shepherd that was going out to fight Goliath ... which he had, even in his pouch ... his shepherd's bag ... And his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. And the Philistine came on, coming and drawing near to David; and the shield bearer was before him.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:42-45** *And the Philistine looked, and he saw David, and **disdained him, for he was a youth**, even ruddy, with a handsome form. And the Philistine said to David, Am I a dog that you come to me with sticks? And the Philistine cursed David by his Elohim. And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the heavens and to the beasts of the field. And David said to the Philistine, You are coming to me with sword, and with spear, and with javelin. But **I am coming to you in the name of YAHWEH of Hosts**, the Elohim of the armies of Israel, which you have reproached.*

And we know the end, right? David beats him only because he had that shepherd's heart. But what did he have? He had the shepherd's staff and shepherd's bag. That was the thing that made him win.

Exodus 3—because when we're looking at Moses, right, Moses wasn't a shepherd originally. Moses was a farmer, right? He had that farmer mentality. He grew up as the Prince of Egypt owning all these things; being the head of military, having all these titles. But Yahweh, before He could use Moses, He had to get him out of that farmer mentality and He had to put a shepherd mentality on him. Chapter 3 of Exodus.

**Exodus 3:1** *And Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock behind the wilderness and came to the mountain of Elohim, to Horeb.*

Right, so now, sometimes people miss the aspect of this if you're watching the movie because it's only five or ten minutes, but it's forty years! It took forty years with a farmer mentality, now it took forty years to get that out. And now he's coming though, he's a real shepherd. He's actually shepherding these flocks for forty years. And Yahweh had to get him that mentality before he could use him.

Go to chapter 4 ... starting in verse 1:

**Exodus 4:1-2** *And Moses answered and said, And, behold, **they will not believe me and will not listen to my voice** ... this is when he's before Yahweh on Mount Sinai ... For they will say, YAHWEH has not appeared to you. And YAHWEH said to him, ... to Moses ... What is this in your hand? And he said, **A staff** ... a shepherd's staff.*

**Exodus 4:3-5** *And He said, Throw it to the ground. And he threw it to the ground, and it became a hissing creature. And Moses fled from its face. And YAHWEH said to Moses, reach out your hand and take it by the tail. And he sent out his hand and caught it, and **it became a staff in his palm**; so that they may believe that YAHWEH the Elohim of your fathers has appeared to you, the Elohe of Abraham, the Elohe of Isaac, and the Elohe of Jacob.*

Right? So how is he going to make them believe that the Elohe of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob appeared to Moses? With a shepherd's staff because they're all shepherds ... they're all shepherds. They had the shepherd's heart.

**Moses defeated Pharaoh with a shepherd's staff.** And it's interesting the word *raah*, the word for shepherd is actually, the meaning of that word is *friend or companion*. That's what the word shepherd means, right? So we see it. Abraham, Moses and David, all shepherds, all friends of Yahweh.

Let's go to Revelation 12 now. Let's get to the end because **now** this is where we're at, right? Revelation 12 ... Revelation 12 in verse 9 ... the great sign happened 2017 in Revelation 1 and 2, right, the sign in heaven. And we see in verse 9:

**Revelation 12:9** *And the great dragon was cast out, the old serpent being called the devil, and, Satan; he deceiving the whole inhabitable world ... Satan is certainly doing that at this point ... and was cast out onto the earth, and his messengers were cast out with him ... his demons.*

**Revelation 12:10-11** *And I heard a great voice in heaven, which said: **Now** is come the salvation, and the power and the kingdom of our Elohim, and the dominion of his Messiah: because the Accuser of our brethren is cast out, the one who accuses them day and night before our Elohim. And they **overcame him** because of the blood of the Lamb, and because of the Word of their testimony. And **they did not love their soul even until death.***

**Comment:** Right? That's what we said. **The shepherd will die for the sheep.** His life, his physical life doesn't matter; **it's his spiritual life. It's his eternity that matters.** But the farmer, the farmer mentality, will never do that. Because he doesn't want to lose what's his. He doesn't want to lose his land, right? So we're seeing here, what mentality is here? The shepherd's mentality.

**Revelation 12:12** *Because of this, be glad, the heavens and those dwelling in them. Woe to the ones dwelling on the earth, and the sea, because the devil came down to you having great **anger, knowing that his time is short!***

**Comment:** And wow, as we're seeing what's going on with the Great Reset and all these things. **We see** that Satan is working his plan. And he's here within these evil people that are worshipping him. And we're pretty far into this thing.

**Revelation 12:13-14** *And when the dragon saw that he was cast out on the earth, he pursued the woman who bore the man child. And two wings of **a great eagle** were given to the woman, that she might fly **into the wilderness**, to her place, where she is nourished there for a time, times, and half a time, away from the serpent's face.*

**Comment:** And like we said, this could be anywhere, if you look up those words, from less than a year to maybe up to three years or so.

**Revelation 12:15-17** *And the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a river after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried off by the river. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river which the dragon threw out of his mouth. And the dragon was **enraged** over the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, those keeping the commandments of YAHWEH, and having the testimony.*

So who goes to the wilderness? The shepherds; the one with the shepherd's mind! Why? Because **they're willing to leave, they're willing to go!** Who's he coming after? The farmers; the ones who didn't leave. So they're still believers in Yahshua. They're Laodicean believers. But **because they would not leave**, these are the ones Satan's coming after, afterwards. The ones that have that **mentality of owning**, the mentality of possessing, is the ones that Satan will come after, after that.

The woman goes to the wilderness to get a shepherd's heart again. And that's why we're here. That's why we had nineteen ... one whole nineteen year time cycle in Jerusalem. But now I hope it's not going to be nineteen years that we're going to be out here, but very soon, like we said. It could be. It could be two sevens, maybe ... hoping it's only one seven. But we're here for that reason. **We're here to get rid of the farmer's mentality** of owning, possessing, of wanting, of pride, right, and get that shepherd mentality; that we're willing to lay down our life for the sheep.

Ezekiel 20 in verse 34 ... and there's no other way. I've said this many times, there's only one road to the wilderness ... I mean one road to the Promised Land, and that's through the wilderness. So for those that have the farmer mentality, that are planted, that will never leave. They have a good home. They don't want to leave. They have a good job. I really, I say pray. Pray for these people because they will not make it into the Promised Land. There's no way they'll make it. Ezekiel 20 in verse 34:

**Ezekiel 20:34-36** *And I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you from the lands which you are **scattered among them** with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm, with fury poured out ... Yahweh is gathering His people with a shepherd's mindset, right? Out of the lands ... And I will bring you into ... where? ... **the wilderness** of the people, and I will be judging with you there face to face. Just as I was judging your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will be judging you, declares Adonai YAHWEH.*

**Comment:** Right? So here we see that our forefathers, they failed the test. They didn't make it. We want to make sure we're not going to die in the wilderness ... verse 37:

**Ezekiel 20:37** *And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant.*

What is He talking about? That every night as the sheep come into the sheepfold, the Shepherd has His rod, like we said, the rod is his power, right? And to assist in guiding and he would count every sheep as they come under the rod. And if ninety-nine came in and one was missing, he wouldn't say, "I'll wait till morning." He'd be out there looking for that sheep because he had the Shepherd's heart. That's what Yahweh wants us to have.

Ezekiel 34 ... Ezekiel 34 in verse 11 ... because as we said, Yahshua and Yahweh are the ... They're really the Master Shepherds; and that's what Yahweh calls Himself in the end time. And we are called His sheep. Ezekiel 34 in verse 11:

**Ezekiel 34:11-13** *For so says Adonai YAHWEH: Behold, **I Myself will search for My sheep**, and seek them out. As a shepherd seeks his flock **in the day that he is among his scattered sheep**, so **I will seek out My sheep** and I will deliver them from all the places where they are scattered in a day of cloud, and thick cloud. And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the lands, ... just like I just read ... and I will bring them to **their land** and feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in the dwelling places of the land.*

**Ezekiel 34:14-16** *I, even I, will feed them in a good pasture, and on the high mountains of Israel their fold shall be. They shall lie there in a good fold, and **they shall feed** in a fat pasture, all the mountains of Israel. I will feed My sheep, and I will make them lie down, declares Adonai YAHWEH. And **I will seek the lost**, and I will return the banished. And I will **bind up the broken**, and I will make the weak strong. But I will destroy the fat and the strong, I will feed them with judgment.*

Right ... the ones with the farmer mentality, the fat and the strong, the ones that *think* that they're planted, they need nothing, He says He's going to destroy. He's looking for those with the shepherd's heart. Verse 22 ...

**Ezekiel 34:22-23** *I also will save My flock, and they will no longer be for a prey. And I will judge between lamb and lamb. And I will raise over them one Shepherd. And He shall feed them. My servant David, ...*

**Comment:** Like we just read, right? Because he had the shepherd's heart, he will be there with who? Yahweh Yahshua. Yahweh the Father does not come down to the earth till the thousand years are over. So Yahweh Yahshua is on the earth as Elohim. And David is King right underneath Him, as the shepherd ... *He will feed them. My servant David, he will feed them and He shall be their Shepherd.*

**Ezekiel 34:24-25** *And I, YAHWEH Yahshua, will be their Elohim, and My servant David shall be a ruler among them. I, YAHWEH, have spoken. And I will cut a covenant of peace with them and make evil beasts cease out of the land. And they will live in the wilderness securely and sleep in the forests.*

Wow! Not have to worry about wild lions or anything else that comes up there. Isn't this good? Yahweh is going to shepherd His people in the wilderness Himself, right? But we got to get that shepherd's heart.

Satan comes after those with the farmer's mentality. Those who are planted in the world with mammon who are left behind because they wouldn't leave their lands, their community, their jobs, whatever for the wilderness. The shepherd has the mentality to go to the wilderness when he's called. And the world despises him. Just like they tell us, right? Even our families will tell us how foolish we are, how stupid we are, what we're giving up, what we're doing. But they don't know any better, right? Because a shepherd is despised, like I said in the beginning. The same way we're despised because **we actually believe in it. We're convicted of it.** We're not just talking the talk. We're walking the walk. The world despises the shepherd because he's not planted. He's a wanderer looking for a better place—the Kingdom of Yahweh.

Isaiah 40, two more Scriptures, we'll be finished. But how great to know, as we're entering the wilderness as scattered sheep, wandering sheep, that very soon Yahshua will gather us together. He says it. He'll be there in the wilderness. So there's no way we're getting to the Promised Land on our own because sheep don't do that. **Sheep need to be guided.**

So now, He has elders, like myself, to help guide you out here. But I'm not going to be guiding you to the Promised Land. Yahshua will come and take over Himself. He's going to pasture us. We have a place, whether it's Selah or other places. That will not be the only place, Selah. But **if we're faithful**, if we keep this shepherd's mindset, Yahweh **will** shepherd His people as He says here. Let's look at Isaiah 40 in the end time. But there's nothing in what He says are coming after those with the farmer's mindset. Those are the ones that are going to have a hard time making it, unless they change. Isaiah 40 in verse 1:

**Isaiah 40:1-3** *Comfort, O comfort My people, says your Elohim. Speak lovingly to the heart of Jerusalem; yea, cry to her that her warfare is done, that her iniquity is pardoned; for she has taken from the hand of YAHWEH double for all her sins ...* And we see this. This is Jerusalem today, right? Like the Apostle Paul says, she's in bondage. But Yahweh still is going to release her in the end, later ... *The voice of him who cries in the wilderness: Prepare the way of YAHWEH; make straight in the desert a highway for our Elohim.*

**Comment:** We know John the Baptist fulfilled this but we also know everything is dual and the people will go again to the wilderness as we're seeing.

**Isaiah 40:4-7** *Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill will be made low; and the knoll shall be a level place, and the rough places a plain ...* This is millennial talk. So this has not happened yet ... *And the glory of YAHWEH will be revealed, and all flesh will see it together, for the mouth of YAHWEH has spoken. A voice said, Cry! And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and its grace as the flower of the field! The grass withers, the flower fades because the Spirit of YAHWEH blows on it. Surely the people is grass.*

**Comment:** Right? The farmers, they're not going to make it anyway. In the end, remember what happens? Look at the plagues. All the green grass is done. Everything goes. **Unless you are trusting in Yahweh, unless you're getting His manna from Heaven, you're not going to make it in the end time.** You know ninety-five, ninety-eight percent of the people alive today will not be alive when the Kingdom comes. And that's just putting the Scriptures together when the Day of Yahweh comes, and His wrath. So farmers, the ones who think they're planted. The ones who think they're providing for themselves ... no way! Just like He says, it's all going to wither.

**Isaiah 40:8** *The grass withers; the flower fades; but **the Word of our Elohim shall rise forever.***

**Comment:** **That's what we're trusting on!** *Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word out of the mouth of Yahweh.*

**Isaiah 40:9-10** *Go up for yourself on the high mountain, one bearing good news to Zion; lift up your voice **with strength**, one bearing good news to Jerusalem. **Lift up, do not fear.** Say to the cities of Judah, **Behold! Your Elohim!** Behold, Adonai YAHWEH will come with **strength**, and **His arm rules for Him** ... His right arm, Yahshua ... **Behold, His reward is with Him, and His wage before Him** ... like we see in Revelation. In verse 11:*

**Isaiah 40:11** *He shall feed His flock **like a shepherd**; He shall gather lambs with His arm; and **carry them in His bosom; those with young He will lead**;*

Wow! So **literally**, He's going to carry us in His bosom. So when we're at that time that you think that you can't take anymore, you got to pray and go in meditation. Go to a place you might have never been and let Yahweh put His arms around you and you could feel those arms in what He's doing. Praise Yahweh for that!

**Yahweh will lead His flock in the wilderness because He is the Master Shepherd.** So that's who we have to look forward to—not the Great Reset. We have to look forward to the **Great Shepherd** that is going to shepherd His people in this time, but you got to get there. You got to get to the wilderness if you're going to be part of this.

The last Scripture, Hebrews 11, starting in verse 8. We started with Abraham, he is the father of the faithful; Yahweh does everything in the circular; and we'll end here with Abraham and the fathers of the faithful. Hebrews 11 in verse 8 ... *Above what He said you did not ...* oops, I'm in chapter 10 ... chapter 11, Hebrews 11 verse 8:

**Hebrews 11:8-10** *Having been called out by faith, Abraham obeyed to go to a place which he was going to receive for an inheritance; and he went out **not understanding** where he went. By faith he resided as a foreigner in a land of promise, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the joint-heirs of the same promise; ... Right? He's a shepherd ... *for he looked forward to a city having the foundations in which the builder and maker is YAHWEH.**

So he wasn't having a farmer mentality for **this world**. He was looking to the ultimate mentality of the Kingdom of Yahweh. Verse 13 ...

**Hebrews 11:13-15** *These all died by the way of faith, not having received the promises, but seeing them afar off, and being persuaded, and having embraced and confessed **they're strangers and pilgrims on the earth** ... Right? They're shepherds – strangers and pilgrims, wanderers ... *For those saying such things make clear that they seek a fatherland. And truly if they remembered from where they came out, they had time to return.**

**Comment:** Like I said, the worst thing in the world you could do is to return where you came from. **Yahweh's road is always forward. Yahweh's road is always going head. It's not turning back.** Because if He wanted you there, He would **have never took you out to begin with.**

**Hebrews 11:15b-16** *And truly if they remembered that from where they came out, they had time to return. **But** now they stretch forth to a **better, that is, a heavenly land.** Therefore, **YAHWEH is not ashamed of them**, for Him to be called their Elohim; for He prepared a city for them.*

So this is what it's all about. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were shepherds. They died without receiving the promise. Let's drop down to verse 36:

**Hebrews 11:36-40** *And others received trial of mockings and scourgings; yea, more, of bonds and prison: they were stoned; they were tried; they were sawn in two; they died by murder of sword; they went about in sheepskins and in goatskins, ... Right? Why? Because they're shepherds ... *being destitute, afflicted, and ill-treated; of whom the world was not worthy, wandering in deserts, and mountains, and caves, and holes of the earth. And having obtained witness through the faith, these all did not obtain the promise, YAHWEH having foreseen something better concerning us, that they should not be perfected without us.**



Wow! And here we are. We're the last generation. We're the last ones now. Some will be martyred, some won't. But it won't make any difference. Because whether you're martyred or you're alive till the day Yahshua is coming. The ones that are sleeping in the grave will rise up. The ones who are alive will go in the air and they'll meet Him and will live forever with Him.

But this is the time we got to get that shepherd's mentality back. You can't have that mentality of being **planted**, of being firm. It's time to come out of the society. Come out of the world. And like I said, they hate the shepherds. They're going to hate us for it. But it's the time that we have to **prepare** every day we need for the Kingdom of Yahweh that's ahead because if you stay in this system, you're going to reap what you sow.

And boy, is Yahweh good that He gave us Covid. I am so glad that He did because my words wouldn't mean half as much if He didn't. But we **know it now!** We **know** the lockdowns. We **know** the job firings. We **know** forced inoculation and all that. And it's coming again. So unless we're coming out into the wilderness, unless we're getting that shepherd's heart, it's not going to make a difference.

These all died without receiving the promise that we would all get together. We're sojourners and shepherds on this earth. And in faith, they looked for the land of the eternal kingdom to be planted there forever. We must get away from the farmer's planted mentality and get back to the mindset of a shepherd, being led daily by the Spirit of Yahweh to each wilderness stop that He leads us to.

Yahweh bless. Shabbat Shalom.