

THE TRUE DISCIPLE OF
**YEHOSHOUA
MASHIAH**

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This book is not only intended for the newborn Christian but for all those who sincerely desire to start walking with the Lord Yehoshoua Mashiah. This book depicts the conditions required by Elohim for one to be his disciple. It also helps us to discern deviances linked with bad discipleship, which results not only from a misinterpretation of the scriptures but also from a lack of seeking for the truth. It is important that each Christian aspire to be a good disciple, bearing in heart the perfect example, Our Lord Yehoshoua Mashiah. This is essentially crucial for the growth of the church and the edification of brothers and sisters.

It is also an encouragement for the people of Elohim to stand firm in the faith, to be vigilant, and to fight against winds and tides brought up by false doctrines spread in the Church these last days.

In the book of Galatians chapter 6 verse 10, the apostle Paul recommends us to encourage and help each other as beloved, and this effort, for the sake of the perfecting of the body of Mashiah, is an excellent testimony.

“Therefore, as we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith”.

May the Almighty continue to inspire you and may this book full of humility further glorifies the Lord Yehoshoua Mashiah

Your brother Monfang

Real children of Elohim will stand out in these end times, with transformed lives that will enlighten the world in darkness. True disciples marked by the seal of Elohim will be able to reconcile their life with the pages of this book.

Zechariah 13:8-9 “And it shall come to pass in all the land,” says the LORD, “That two-thirds in it shall be cut off and die, But one third shall be left in it: I will bring the one-third through the fire, Will refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them. I will say, “This is My people’; And each one will say, “The LORD is my God”.

THANKSGIVINGS

To Yehoshoua Mashiah of Nazareth my heavenly Father that I love so much.

Romans 16: 25-27 “Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus-Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith, to God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus-Christ forever. Amen”.

DEDICATION

I dedicate this book to all my brothers and sisters in the nations, a particular thought to all the youth inside the country (Gabon), who persevere in the gospel of Yehoshoua besides all the trials and persecutions.

PREFACE

I was vividly encouraged when Pierre, our Brother allowed me to type and edit this book, written mainly for the church and particularly for the youth because I was able to be directly in contact with the thought of the author.

Thereby, giving thanks to the Lord Yehoshoua because **“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning” (James 1:17)**. I would like to encourage our brother Pierre to labor more excellently for the work of our Lord and Saviour Yehoshoua Mashiah and I pray that the Lord fructifies the gift He has given him so that he can always be at the service of the saints for our edification.

This book is a valuable work for the church. Indeed, when I started editing it, I was able to realize that the church that will be snatched out is the one that is made up of true disciples of Mashiah. In other words, men and women who do not only set their hearts to study His word, but observe it themselves before teaching it to others like Ezra (Ezra 7:10). But today, we notice the contrary; hence we witness too many deviations.

I have been quite encouraged when the author wrote **“Our Lord Yehoshoua was not interested in information, that is the amount of biblical verses that we know and want to transmit to the disciples. He was more interested in formation to communicate a true life to the disciples”**. In fact, I understand by this that the main thing is not to weigh down our brain with biblical verses but rather to be filled with the imperishable life of Mashiah in order to be men and women established and accomplished in the Lord Yehoshoua. May Elohim help us to realize it more and more!

The author also wrote **“a well-trained and well-equipped disciple will be like the Master. The equipping of the disciple through teaching and observation of the word of the Lord will enable him to find out the perfect will of Elohim for his life, and that revelation will lead him to be like Yehoshoua”**. By the grace of the Lord, through this write-up, I was able to understand that the purpose of the training given to the disciples is to be to the image of the Master and in addition to that, seeking for the disciples to become faithful stewards and being able to faithfully transmit the inheritance of the faith which has been left to the saints once for all.

I would like through the above few words Glorify the Lord and encourage our brother Pierre. I believe that this book is an inspiration from Elohim and will serve for the edification of many of His children who wish with a great desire to be true disciples, models, signs, and wonders in the midst of this generation.

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May Elohim strengthen you more brother. Don't give up, stand firm and continue the work Elohim puts in your heart. Personally, I am richly edified and encouraged, and I believe that it will be the same for those who will read it. May Elohim bless you and your wife Inès.

I pray that this work may serve as a tangible way to our training so that we understand the thought of Elohim not only for our life but also for our calling.

All the Best!

To Yehoshoua Only belongs the glory.

Paulin, Your brother

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INTRODUCTION

We live in a generation where evil is outgrowing. The last days that we are presently living on earth clearly show how evil, sin and ailments which affect all social classes of our society is rapidly increasing. Paul, a passionate servant of Yehoshoua Mashiah announces in **2 Timothy 3:1-4**: **“But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God”**. A time where sin will extremely increase.

We can define sin from the Hebrew “Chatta’ah” which means “that which misses the goal”. The Greek version of the word is “Harmartano” which means “an error, a false state of mind”. Sin came into the world through the transgression of Adam and Eve and all human beings found themselves infected: it is the origin of the separation between Elohim and human being. Sin leads us to death (Genesis 3: 1-6 and 1 Corinthians 15:3). There are different kinds of death: spiritual death, physical death, and the second death. A man is spiritually dead when he does not possess the life of Elohim in him. He is also characterized as a natural man. Nations stand more and more to fulfill the plans of the enemy in the end-times. It is in the purpose to awake children of Elohim throughout nations that Yehoshoua has put in my heart to write this book, THE DISCIPLE OF YEHOSHOUA MASHIAH.

The light has come into the world but men preferred darkness. The light represents in itself Mashiah and his children (John 8:12) and darkness symbolizes the enemy, the Devil and his agents. My prayer is that at the end of the reading of this book all the true children of Elohim may be edified and encouraged to hold on and to stand firm, for the sufferings of this present time are not worth to be compared with the glory which is to come. May this book be a source of blessings for the sons and daughters of Yehoshoua Mashiah in the nations. The spiritual gifts and graces that we receive from Elohim must be utilized for the Church and the nations free of charge as our Lord Yehoshoua instructed us in **Matthew 10:8** **“(…) freely you have received, freely give”**. If we claim ourselves to be children of the light, we have to walk and live as Himself lived on earth, just as it is mentioned in **1 John 2:6** **“He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked”**. The life of the Lord in us will lead us to enlighten the nations which are under the power of the vanity of this world.

I. DEFINITION OF DISCIPLE

From the Greek “mathetes”, a disciple, a student, a pupil is a person called to listen to the teachings of his master and observe them with the expectation to become like him. Yehoshoua chose twelve disciples and trained them during the time of his service on earth. A disciple of Yehoshoua has to manifest the character of the Lord, be submitted to Him, be wholly devoted, and be ready to suffer for His Name, Matthew 10, and Luke 6:12 according to the B.D (Biblical dictionary of the BJC). Throughout time, paganism has given us some wrong definitions about being a disciple of Yehoshoua Mashiah. As mentioned above, a disciple of Yehoshoua is a student, a pupil who studies and observe the words of our Lord Yehoshoua. The word of Elohim is the real and true spiritual treasure and each disciple has the duty and the obligation to meditate it day and night (Joshua 1:8). King David compares the word to a lamp that enlightens his way and in studying it, the disciple receives the necessary guidelines and teachings from the Lord in order to be that light which will enlighten the nations.

Bad disciples are known to be men who choose to follow the customs and practices of their father in faith (Though they do not all do so). The majority amongst them are unconverted people who have never received Yehoshoua as their Saviour and Master and are considered to be blind leaders. Yehoshoua censured this kind of disciples when he talked to the **Pharisees in Matthew 15:1-9** “**Then the scribes and Pharisees who were from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, "Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders?(...)And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men"**”. Through this portion of the scriptures, we understand that disciples who follow the teaching of the Master are radically opposed to the customs and traditions of men. The customs of men are for the most inspired by the enemy with the purpose of leading them astray.

In Luke 6: 40 “A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher”. A well-trained and well-equipped disciple will be like the Master. The equipment of the disciple through the teaching and observation of the word of Elohim will allow him to discover the will of Elohim concerning his life, and that revelation will lead him to be like Yehoshoua, to live like Him, to act like Him, to forgive like Him. Paul says “**Mashiah(Christ) is my life**” for we acknowledge that each tree bears its fruits. An avocado tree bears avocados, a mango tree bears mangoes. Due to the lack of discernment and teaching, many children of Yehoshoua are led astray by perfidious brothers and sisters who attend our assemblies, who even preach and teach, but the fruits they bear are contrary to the fruits of Mashiah. Paul told us to move away from such brothers and sisters because “**(...) "Evil company corrupts good habits"** (1 Corinthians 15:33)

The abundant wisdom and riches Elohim has put in His word are available for all disciples of Yehoshoua, but they specifically belong to those who truly seek them with zeal and devotion. Meditation and prayer are the two keys that will allow us to discover the wisdom of Elohim, **“Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all” (1 Timothy 4:15)**. Paul is asking Timothy, a disciple of Yehoshoua, to really take care of the things of the Lord. After having defined and seen what a disciple should be like, we are going to study how disciples behave under the law of Moses.

II. DISCIPLES UNDER THE OLD COVENANT

II.1) What is the law?

In actual fact, there is not just one law but three types of Law: the moral law, the ceremonial law, and the social law. The moral and ceremonial laws have been pre-existing since eternity but civil laws began with Moses, because they only concerned his people (the Hebrews).

- Moral laws depict the nature of Elohim, His love, His righteousness, His Holiness, and the Ten Commandments except for the Shabbat (Exodus 16:28-29, Leviticus 15:32) are part of moral laws.
- Ceremonial laws were related to the cult and the earthly sanctuary which refers to the tabernacle and the temple of Jerusalem (Hebrew 9:1-10). Ceremonial laws represent the first covenant which had for foundation the moral law. However, this covenant has become obsolete and had to cease because it was the shadow of things to come (Hebrew 8:13). This covenant was founded on four main pillars: the temple, the centralized cult, sacrifices, and the priests. Thank you to Yehoshoua for His Grace, because in Mashiah we no longer need a physical temple since we have become the living temple of Elohim. we can now worship the Lord in spirit and truth, anytime and anywhere (John 4:23). The Levitical priesthood having been abolished, each child of Elohim has become a priest (Revelation 5:10) who offers in sacrifice his own life, consecrated to Elohim.
- Civil laws governed the functioning of the life of Hebrews as a community. They were reserved for Hebrew people in the camp and the land of Canaan (Exodus 21:1-2, Deuteronomy 23).

These three types of laws constitute what we call the Law of Moses or the Mosaic Law. Both the ceremonial and the social (civil) laws of the Mosaic laws have become obsolete to the Church, given that there were only relative to Israel.

II.2) Disciples under the Mosaic Law

Under the Mosaic Law, disciples were men who served their masters, men of Elohim truly moved by the life Elohim and His integrity. These disciples were serving their masters with uttermost respect and devotion. The word of Elohim gives us many examples of such: Moses and Joshua, Elijah and Elisha, Elisha and Guehasi, Elijah the high priest and Samuel, Saul and David. In **1 Kings 19: 19-21** “**So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yokes of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth (...) Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant**”. In this text we understand that the call of Elisha was to be at the service of Elijah before fully answering to his prophetic call. Elisha was primarily called to be at the service of Elijah, to live by his side and assist him in his basics needs.

By living with his master the disciple would learn from him daily about life and the administration of the works of Yahweh. It is very important to emphasize that under the Mosaic Law, those men who were at the service of their masters did not have any direct relationship with Elohim. The Lord only talked to their masters who in turn would communicate the message of Elohim to their disciples. However, an exception of this is noticed with Elijah the priest and Samuel. Elijah was disqualified by Elohim due to the unacceptable behavior of his children, hence the Lord revealed Himself to Samuel to relate the message of judgment pending on the household of Elijah.

The word of Elohim tells us that Elisha poured water into the hands of Elijah. This act shows us that under the law, the disciples were not directly connected to Elohim, but to their masters, and received instructions from them. Through their daily and nightly presence by their masters, they learned how to live with Elohim, how to serve Him, and how to be faithful to Him. The Lord chose Joshua to replace Moses. This choice was not an accident considering that the word tells us in **Numbers 11: 28** “**so Joshua the son of Nun, Moses’ assistant...**”. Having been at the service of the one who led the people of Israel, he was well-placed to take over and lead the Hebrew people into the Promised Land. We have to be reminded however that the fact that one is groomed by a leader does not make him automatically a leader for all calling comes from Elohim. When a master died, those of his disciples that remain faithful could now communicate with Elohim given that the baton was passed on. Thank you Yehoshoua who, by the price of the cross, sets us entirely free from the Mosaic Law, from demons, from traditions, and from men.

III. THE DISCIPLES OF YEHOSHOUA DURING HIS EARTHLY SERVICE

As mentioned above, the definition of a disciple is that of a pupil, a student. Our Lord Yehoshoua before being crucified and glorified on earth showed us the example of masters we ought to be or ought to have. Yehoshoua Himself during his earthly life lived with a crowd of disciples amongst whom twelve that He chose in particular, to be at his side and receive through Him proper training.

Our Lord Yehoshoua was not interested in information, that is is the amount of biblical verses that we know and want to transmit to the disciples. He was more interested in formation, to communicate a true life to the disciples. We need to learn from Him on how to train disciples. Today, we love impressing people with the quantity of information we know about the Bible while being less profound. After a whole night of prayer at the mount of olive (Luke 6:12), Yehoshoua chose twelve disciples that he called apostles, Luke 6:12-13 **“Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. And when it was day, He called His disciples to Himself; and from them He chose twelve whom He also named apostles”**.

The choice Yehoshoua made on the disciples that He later called apostle came after a night of prayer. This is to remind us that before taking some important decisions of our life we must pray and seek the will of the Lord. The twelve disciples of Yehoshoua were at His side, lived at His side to learn from Him a practical life and the way to serve Elohim. Those men were students of Elohim Himself (The manifested word in the flesh). What an exceptional favor that those men received! humans who walked, lived, and saw the Elohim of Israel. The incarnation of Elohim in Yehoshoua on earth.

In Mashiah, the Father reveals His Heart. Paul in **Romans 8: 29** says: **“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren”**. Mashiah by living on earth showed us the example of sons and daughters that the Father wants, being Himself the Excellent model. The apostles saw the King of nations and later at the birth of the church became the pillars that shouted out loudly about the divinity of “Yehowshuwa”. Yehoshoua: Elohim amongst men, walking in an incomparable love, in an incredible humility (Philippians 2), in total obedience (Matthew 26:39), in total dependence on the Father. Leaving the free choice to men to accept Him or not. Him: Elohim the creator of everything, in heaven, on earth and under the earth, visible and invisible, everything goes through Him, everything turns around

Him. Yehoshoua Mashiah, born from a virgin, Marie, has accepted to come to life from a woman (His creature), putting Himself on the limit of men. Yehoshoua was born in a stable near sheeps, He accepted to be washed, cleaned, educated and trained by his creature; Yehoshoua, Elohim saw throughout his earthly life the profoundness of sins of men.

Why this obedience? To come and seek for Men who have gone astray, for the sole purpose of reconciling them with their Creator (John 3:16). Out of Yehoshoua, we don't have life. Without Yehoshoua we have nothing. Houses will come to pass, Ministry will come to an end, the banking and monetary system will collapse but Him, Yehoshoua remains and is the true Elohim, the true Elohim. We cannot write without praising Him, our Heavenly Father that we love so much. It is this Master who said to the disciples in **Luke 6: 40 "A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher"**. An accomplished and well-trained disciple will be like his master, like Yehoshoua, like Mashiah, so is the word "Christian". Nations do not want to see followers but true disciples of Yehoshoua, who are passionate about their Lord, who accept to go through all the processes of inner transformations to receive the inner beauty of the Messiah. Brothers and sisters, we need to understand that the Elohim we serve is the same Elohim who has been followed by the apostle of Yehoshoua. The one Whose Greatness is Glorious. He is seeking for true worshipers. Those who worship Him in Spirit and in truth (John 4:23). Why in spirit? Because according to 1 Corinthians 2:11, it is the Spirit that reveals to us the person of Mashiah. In truth because Elohim wants us to worship Him with a sincere heart and be passionate about Him.

Paul, by the Spirit, predicted in the epistle of Timothy that the last times will be marked by seduction, the abandon of faith by many Christians with the charity of a great number growing cold. Nowadays we barely find disciples like those of the first church, whose love and zeal for Yehoshoua had overthrown the idolatry of the Roman Empire. My prayer is that through the reading of this modest book, we come back to Yehoshoua with a burning passion, that we may please Him, obey Him, and refuse to hurt his heart. That we may be role models among this adulterous, sinful, and Idolatrous generation which does not care about the things of Elohim.

True disciples defend the word and not men. They stand steadfast on the word despite defamations and insults from men. They remain firm on the word of Elohim as Paul, Peter, and John. Those apostolic fathers who honored and still honor Yehoshoua by their firmness in the word. A disciple who only seeks to please Yehoshoua will be rejected by religious people but approved by Elohim and this is all that matters. Thank you Yehoshoua for your grace.

IV. DISCIPLES UNDER THE NEW COVENANT

The era of the new covenant in Acts 2 is marked by the birth of the church. The disciples of the Lord (men and women) being in the upper room received the Holy-Spirit according to the promise made in Joel 2:28. They were all filled with life and fire. The apostle Peter, a preacher of the word of Elohim stood up and talked about Yehoshoua animated by the fire from heaven. The result? The conversion of three thousand souls who later became disciples, students of the Word who needed to be trained.

This training will not come from Yehoshoua Himself now, but from His apostles, whom having been trained by Yehoshoua must now obey to the great calling of Matthew 28:19, that of making disciples, not followers. Under the new covenant, disciples are not disciples of a place or a man but disciples of Yehoshoua; they follow the Master who is none other than Yehoshoua. In Acts 2:42 **“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers”**. The teaching of the apostles or the apostolic doctrine is nothing other than the teaching which has been given by Yehoshoua to the apostles. It is explained through the Holy-Spirit to new believers, through the elementary bases of the word of Elohim constituting both the milk and the meat.

Milk for children refers here to the natural man and the actual condition of the church. Unfortunately, many Christians refuse to grow up. Meat is for mature and spiritual men and women who have the thought of Elohim, who are moved by the Spirit and serve Elohim in the spirit and not in the flesh. In Matthew 28:19, the Lord sent forth his apostles to all nations to make out of those nations disciples, not followers. This vision has fallen short of its relevance because many Christians still have their interests set on earthly things. Yet, it is in that very enthusiasm that Paul, the apostle of the gentiles worked hard to accomplish this great mission and to make out of nations disciples of Yehoshoua.

Several brothers and sisters have been brought and formed in Mashiah in his missionary journeys: Titus, Timothy, Eraste, Trophimus, Luke, Mark, Onesimus, Philemon, Apphia, and many others who received the teaching of the Master and later became true workers of Mashiah. In the story of the missionary life of Paul we see how important it was for the disciples to receive solid teachings. Paul knew that without a serious training, believers could not stand firm against the world, Churches would be weak and the whole Christian movement would risk uncertainty.

We cannot cease to emphasize the importance of teachings. Elohim speaks of it as something vital for the spiritual growth of the believer. Teaching is defined as a personal development towards maturity. Maturity in Mashiah involves knowing Him personally by having intimacy with him. We are not mature because we quote

biblical verses, go to Christian missions or because we walk next to true servants of Elohim. Maturity in Mashiah consists on seeking for his nature, receiving his nature in us and this implies a deep transformation of our inner being (1 Corinthians 3:1-3, Hebrew 5:11-13).

Many religions emphasize on the external form of things rather than its content. But Christianity has its emphasis on the truth of the word of Elohim and the disciple must understand it and observe it. In summary, we can say that teaching is the keeper of the faith. Maturity in Mashiah also involves being like Mashiah, the Christian nature being by essence the one of Mashiah. Disciples must grow up in the likeness of Mashiah (Romans 8:29). All disciples of Yehoshoua must be able as the Berean Jews, to discern if the given teaching and directives are from the Lord or not (Acts 17:11, Hebrew 1:3).

Over the years men took into consideration their word as those coming from Elohim thus nullifying the prescription of the Lord. This was one of the reproaches made by Yehoshoua to the pharisees. Nations expect with great desire from all continents true disciples of Yehoshoua, renewed men and women led by the power of Elohim, to bring souls that are captives of vanity to the freedom of the children of the light that we are.

A disciple of Mashiah is a light and by his life brings light to those around him. It is not a religious person who locks himself up between four walls but a man or a woman free from demons, religions, law, customs and whose only goal on earth is to reveal Mashiah who is the hope of glory. I pray that through this humble book, children of Elohim in all nations come out of systems of men and Babylon, to go back to the inexhaustible source. The one that Jews had unfortunately abandoned and regretted much later.

This source that when received, becomes a spring that flows in us. it is Yehoshoua the inexhaustible source of water, the Lord of lords, the king of kings, the Alpha and Omega, the Prince of peace, the Prince of life, the Shiloh, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Offspring, the Great Pastor of Sheeps, El-Elyon, the Mighty of Jacob, Yahweh-Jireh, El-Rapha, our Elohim whom the saints strongly and loudly say: WE LOVE HIM. AMEN!

V. FATHERS IN FAITH

Paul says in 2 Corinthians 12:14-15 “Now for the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be burdensome to you; for I do not seek yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the

children. And I will very gladly spend and be spent for your souls; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I am loved” and Galatians 4:19 “My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you”.

The history of the first church shows us disciples who grew up in their walk with the Lord and who have become fathers in faith to the example of Paul, Peter, John, James, and many others in this end-time: David WILKERSON, Shora KUETU, T.L OSBORNE, Séverin KACOU. Men who dedicated and still dedicate their lives to Elohim and to the souls belonging to the Lord, having sacrificed all they had and have for the strengthening of brothers and sisters and their development.

The main purpose of the apostolic vision is to train. We have more of preachers, orators, flatterers, speakers in our churches but practically no fathers. A father in faith begets like Paul and follows the children till their maturity. A father in faith is an example in practical life, in behavior, in purity. Paul was a father in faith and all mankind needs to look at him as a role model for his love of souls, his life of consecration, and his vitality.

A father in faith is a brother as Paul shows us in 2 Corinthians 2:13 in which he speaks of Titus as being his brother. They had a concern to see the implanted churches growing in order and love (2 Corinthians 11:28). We need to be informed brothers and sisters that in Mashiah we only have one Spiritual Father and one spiritual cover: Yehoshoua Mashiah. Unlike the Babylonian church whose fathers in faith are dictators, impostors, people who steal and despoil the people of Elohim. Those are fountains without water, men of malediction, false workers, sons of the Devil; their goal is to destroy the flock of Yehoshoua. May the true disciples of Yehoshoua come out of those religious systems and stand with great firmness to those false prophets. Disciples of Yehoshoua must have the discernment of the word of Elohim to refute those opponents. Many children of Elohim do not accept the notion of father in faith and fall into rebellion against brothers who begot them. Being young, we need elders who fear Elohim to advise us. So brothers and sisters let us respect our fathers in faith, true fathers in faith let us give them the honor they deserve.

V.1) Testimony

I gave my life to Mashiah in Gabon, in a place of prayer called “Clinique Spirituelle” after many years of alcohol and prostitution. In the year 2000, after obtaining my scientific high school graduation certificate, I was sent by the Gabonese State to the University of Franceville to continue with my studies. Being young, I immediately fell into alcohol and sex and finally got expelled from the university for hazing. This difficult time of my life was a way to bring me to Him. I was seeing the United State as heaven. My dream was to see that country and to walk into the street of New York. Not having enough financial funds, I would go

every morning and sit next to the embassy of the United State in Gabon, expecting that one day, an American would take me to his country. Thank you Yehoshoua for You remembered me and touched me in your Grace. The vision of the “Clinique spirituelle” was to cut off family bondage and they had as a foundation the verse of **John 11:44** “(...) **“Loose him, and let him go”**”. A verse that is often taken out of context. In this case, the Lord after having brought Lazarus back to life simply asked the people who were present to loose him physically.

But Paul says in **Colossians 1:12-13** **“giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love”**. By accepting Mashiah as Lord and Savior we are automatically set free from family bondage, customs, traditions, and the spiritual inheritance transmitted by our ancestors. Being ignorant, I persevered in that place of prayers for two years. But one night, while watching TV+, a Gabonese private TV channel, I listened to a message centered on Yehoshoua. I then had to leave that place of prayer and follow by the grace of Elohim the Lord in the simplicity of the Gospel.

And today the work in Gabon moves forward despite the defection and abandonment of many as Yehoshoua predicted. But Elohim keeps us and we ask of Him to strengthen us, that we may continue to abide in humility, in the pure truth, and serve the people of Elohim in the nations. Elohim granted me the grace to marry a wonderful sister: Inès, a woman who greatly supports me in the things Elohim. To this effect, i need to remind us that the choice of a spouse is capital in our Christian life, a topic that we will deal with later.

VI. THE CHARACTER OF THE DISCIPLE

We can define character as being the behavior, the way of life of any person. The character that a disciple of the Lord must seek is that of Mashiah, who is our Master and Perfect Model. Of course, the example of the life of Yehoshoua is in the scriptures (John 8:31-32). The model of character the disciple should seek for is found in Mashiah. It is in that perspective that Paul says in **Romans 8:29** **“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son...”**. The image of the son or the divine nature is nothing else than the character of Yehoshoua that all disciples must seek to get conformed to, with zeal and passion. Mashiah will come to take a glorious church, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing.

In **Matthew 20:28** **“Just as the son of man did not come to be served, but to serve...”**. When we go through the scriptures with the enlightenment of the Holy-

Spirit we see the manifestation of the different points of character of Mashiah: humility, love, meekness, sanctification, forgiveness, liberality, mercy, kindness, joy, peace, the love of the neighbor, truth, being at service to the disadvantaged and poor people. These abilities must be sought with passion by the disciples of Yehoshoua Mashiah of Nazareth. We must desire to be perfect, to reach the level of the stature of the fullness of Mashiah, just as the apostle wrote it for us in **Ephesians 4:11-14** “(...) till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ...”.

VII. THE WALK IN TRUTH

Paul tells us in **Ephesians 4:15** : “**but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head, Christ**”. Today we notice the ease with which disciples of Yehoshoua live in lies and hypocrisy. Jeremiah the prophet, a true prophet of Elohim noticed it during his time: **Jeremiah 7:28** “...**the truth has perished and has been cut off from their mouth**”. The Lord noticed that Jewish people were corrupted and mixed-up. Yet they were the people who had the knowledge of the Torah and were supposed to spread it to other people.

In **1 Corinthians 10**, Paul tells us that the story of the church is similar to that of the Jewish people. Today we can observe with much desolation that fanaticism has taken place in Church: philosophy, lie, hypocrisy, downfall, the resignation of leaders, the ruin of the work implanted by Yehoshoua, and the true children of Elohim ask themselves the question: But where is Yehoshoua?

Paul tells us to follow the truth in love. All disciples of Yehoshoua must follow the truth, seek for the truth and tell the truth. The truth is not a philosophic principle, neither a model of thought. The truth is Yehoshoua Himself according to **John 14:6** : “**Jesus said to him: I am the way, the truth, and the life**”, (this truth is nothing other than the word of Elohim which enlighten through the Spirit).

Yehoshoua rebuked with love the hypocrisy of Pharisees by calling them a brood of vipers. In other terms, He likened them to the descendants of the serpent who is the father of lies. The fear of telling the truth has invaded the church, and that renders her spiritually weak. That which is considered as the pillar and ground of the truth has fallen very low: idolatrous leaders, false leaders, false brothers have invaded the church. Thieves of offerings, rebellious children who deny the authority of the true father in faith.

We pray that in this end-time, Yehoshoua brings forth true fathers in faith who will train and beget true disciples who will not walk in traditions, but in the intransigence of the truth. Fathers who will not belong to a denomination such as Reformation, Pentecostal, Lutheran, Baptist, Revival churches. But fathers who

will follow the word of Elohim with love and perseverance and will defend it with strength. May this work awake true disciples of Yehoshoua who are asleep in the nations for the fight, the fight of the truth. Even if we are rejected by religious people, let us seek the truth and follow it. This is the kind of church that will influence the nations.

VIII. THE TRUE CHURCH

Church, a word from the Greek “ekklesia”, which means “called out of” are people set apart whose chief is Mashiah. The church is the holy and spiritual habitation of Elohim, the body of Mashiah, the bride of the Lamb. We often make a distinction between the universal church made up of saints from all the nations, and the local church made up of saints from a city (Acts 2:45, 1 Timothy 1). According to the BJC dictionary, the primitive church was born at Pentecost with one hundred and twenty (120) disciples in the upper room. This church was influential because Yehoshoua Mashiah was the only center of their daily life.

In Acts 2: 42: “And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers”. These four pillars made the strength of the first church who was so much centered on Mashiah and had true leaders who loved the flock of Yehoshoua (1Peter 5: 1-4, Acts 20:28). Is it possible that at the eve of the coming of Yehoshoua we witness a great revolt led by the Holy-Spirit against the apostate Christianity? Is it possible that we witness by His Grace the rising forth of independent gathering of Christians who love the word of Elohim? Thank you Yehoshoua for the awakening of true disciples in nations.

IX. LEADERS IN THE CHURCH

In these times, the church of Elohim lives a general apostasy, the true foundation which is the word of Elohim is being broken by false leaders who come in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves who do not spare the flock of Yehoshoua (Matthew 7:15-18). These men provoke colossal damages among the children of Elohim. In the apostolic church, a leader or bishop was just a Christian among others, but who had a certain maturity and who could take care of the

spiritual well-being of a church. Those elders in the Bible portray a humble service among the people of Elohim.

It is why we read in **1 Timothy 3:1**: **“This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work”**. Surveillance is a work, not a title or dignity. This provokes colossal problems in our churches since those who call themselves elders do not have any spiritual qualification, do not bear any fruits and yet we know for a fact that the Lord by his grace supports the services he has called. In **John 3:27** **“John answered and said: a man can receive nothing unless it has been given to him from heaven”**, many claim themselves to be leaders and have not received any call coming from the Lord. These blind leaders lead blind people and these blind people are simply unstable sheep of Yehoshoua. Where are the leaders called by the Lord?

Yehoshoua says : **“the harvest is truly great, but the labourers are few”**. May the church of Yehoshoua arise in prayer and ask Yehoshoua for true leaders who do not look to men but to the One who is sitteth on the Throne of Mercy. Paul says in **1 Corinthians 3:10** **“According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it”**. We need the grace of the Lord to do His work, to lead the people of Elohim according to Elohim. We need the grace of the Lord to understand the biblical foundation of the church and to work on this foundation which has been laid. After having spent time in one assembly and trained disciples, led by the Lord, leaders need to move on to something else and leave the local church to the One to Whom it belongs: Yehoshoua Mashiah. The Lord in His Grace will continue to work in that local church with other laborers.

One of the greatest wound of the Church today is the wrong choice of elders. Elders are the ones who give a certain tonality to the church. When elders appointed are devoted men who put the Lord first in rank in their lives, when they are men whose lives are illuminated and radiate from the grace of the Lord, we can expect that the church will be in a good spiritual condition. Elders must rebuke, censor, and exhort (2 Timothy 4:2, Titus 1:2,13). All that is contrary to faith must be rebuked with all authority. Those who do not accept the holy doctrine must be rebuked and exhorted. Elders must fight with zeal for the faith. These are fathers who love the flock of Yehoshoua and work without ceasing in the purpose to see Mashiah formed in it. Their daily task is to take care of the flock.

IX.1) The duties of leaders.

Deviations of leaders called by Yehoshoua are many today, with the resigning, downfall, and ruin of the professing church. Children of Yehoshoua have some

difficulties to find true models. A model is someone whose life, behavior and way of seeing things are good, with one trying to imitate them. Leaders or elders are people in charge of the church and have for tasks: the protection, discipline and instruction of other believers. They have a great responsibility and we expect from them that they show a good example. They must feed the flock of Elohim (1 Peter 5:2, Acts 20:28), and they do it by the word of Elohim and often visits. This does not mean that they necessarily have a public service. They must watch over the flock of Elohim.

This service can not be done by force but with a disposed heart, not by dominating the people of Elohim but with a disposed heart. The elder is not a dictator, a taskmaster nor a boss, but a slave at the service of brothers and sisters (Matthew 20:35). Paul recommends to elders to support the weakest (Acts 20:35).

In this verse, we see that elders must be ready to give to those who are in need. Instead of depending on the flock to provide for their need, they must share with it what they possess. May Yehoshoua Mashiah raise true elders, people called by Him who will only have one goal: to see Mashiah formed in the life of brothers and sisters.

Colossians 1:28-29 “Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. To this end I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily”.

X. THE LIFE OF THE DISCIPLE

In Romans 8:29 “For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren”, we can say that the ultimate goal of Elohim is to make us become like Mashiah. Progressively, when likeness with him becomes more evident, we discover our true identity. To become like Mashiah we need to meditate His word, study His earthly life in the gospel, while being filled with His Spirit, and fulfilling his work in the world. The life of the disciples of Yehoshoua on earth must be identical to the life Mashiah lived on earth.

That light (John 8:12) which by coming into the world enlightens all man. But men chose darkness instead of light (John 1: 12-15). A disciple is someone who learns to live the life of the Master (Luke 6:40), and gradually teaches to others the life he lives himself. Being a disciple is not to learn the knowledge of the Master, but to learn to be who He is. And our Lord Yehoshoua Mashiah is the example who showed to men the good example of life.

By going through the scriptures, the disciples of the Lord kind of lived at his side, journeyed with Him, slept with Him, did all things together. By this training, Yehoshoua was giving his life to the disciples and they would later become examples for others and fulfil the word in **Matthew 28:19**<< **Go therefore and make disciple of all the nations**>>.

X.1) The Work

Paul says in **2 Thessalonians 3:10** “**For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat**”, being a disciple of Yehoshoua does not mean being a lazy person, a beggar, a person whom though living in good health, survives only through the assemblies fundraisings. Many children of Elohim in the nations are in ignorance when it comes to working. Eating and drinking emanate from work and all disciples of Mashiah who are in good health and refuse to work must be deprived of food since this behavior is contrary to the scriptures.

The financial matter in our churches is sometimes badly approached because a great number of disciples only have their eyes set on the cash box and refuse to work with their own hands. We have to get down to work whatever the job is. Let us come out of the hang-up sentiment and work with our hands. Our culture leads us to depend on others, a behavior which sometimes does not please the Lord. We love taking advantage of people due to our laziness. Let us work hard to eat.

X.2) Testimony

In 2006, Gabon my country of birth was the scene of many revival meetings with the arrival of the apostle Shora. Being born in a religious assembly, I could see in him a humble servant of Elohim, simple, modest having such a holiness, and being capable to die for the truth. The whole country was touched by this message and Yehoshoua was performing extraordinary things through the hands of his servant as at the time of Paul.

One day, willing to have the book “**The influential or influenced church**” and not being enlightened on the gratuity of the Gospel, I wanted to have that book and I had to ask Doum’s, an elder in faith, a bit of money to buy that book. This elder answered me and said: “instead of asking money, go and work to “the bananas market with the other brothers!” I had to avoid him during the seminar due to that simple truth he gave.

Later, by obeying, I saw myself going to work to the market where I was carrying on bunches of bananas and I was paid around 200 FCFA (XAF) or 500 FCFA (XAF) per

bunch carried. That way, I earned about 5000 FCFA to 6000 FCFA a day. Later, I finally bought the book and I really learned that lesson of Paul **“for if anyone will not work, neither shall he eat”**. Solomon says in Proverb 14:23 **“In all labor there is profit, But idle chatter leads only to poverty”**

X.3) The choice of a spouse.

The word of Elohim says **“He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtain favor from the Lord” Proverbs 18:22** and in Proverbs 31:30 it says **“Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the Lord, shall be praised”**. The choice of a man or woman is capital in the life of a child of Elohim. Marriage is indissoluble, divorce does not exist. We are in the obligation to accept our choice. In 1 Samuel 16:7 **“(…) for men looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart”**. The inner beauty of a person has value to the eyes of Elohim, but this inner beauty is only seen by spiritual men and women.

In my early days of the Christian walk, Elohim gave me a vision on the marriage, showing me that I had to marry. But how? Such was the big deal. I went on to meet two women who fascinated me by their charm and their physical beauty but their hearts were full of the world. Even though they were attending assemblies, their hearts were always turned to the world. Being carnal, young, and having had wounds in the world, I wanted to be married to them because they looked attractives. But finally, Yehoshoua resisted me with strength. Thank you, Yehoshoua.

After many years of wilderness due to this situation, I was praying to the Lord to give me a wife according to Him. Thereafter, I met my wife Inès who is a support and a true help to my walk. By this testimony, I want to invite the children of Elohim to be prudent and to always ask the Lord to show the state of souls of people who approach them for marriage. Because the choice of a spouse is capital to succeed in our Christian life. Let us be spiritual and make the good choice by trusting to the Lord and only Him will lead you to a disposed heart ready to give you true happiness, because a successful marriage in Mashiah is a blessing for the Body of Mashiah.

XI. THE VISION OF THE DISCIPLE

We can define vision at the physical level as being the capacity to see. A physically blind man will not know where he is going. Solomon in Proverbs 29:18 says this: **“where there is no revelation, the people cast off restrain; but happy is he who keeps the Law”**. Vision can be defined as being a dream, a directive, or some goals to reach.

With the ruin of the professing church, the disciples of Yehoshoua have lost the vision. Lives are turned to the world. Men seek their own interests and those of the

Lord are put at the second plan. Vision is what motivates us to move forward no matter the price, we must move forward and reach the vision that the Lord has for our life. We can attend an assembly, stay with brothers and sisters who love Yehoshoua, but we must not forget that Elohim gave everyone a task to do in the Body of Mashiah and the nations (Mark 13:34).

Many children of Elohim have limited their Christian life to church meetings, but the vision of Elohim for everyone is that it extends to the continents because Elohim wants to touch people through our gifts and services. A visionary will live in solitude because he will often be rejected and misunderstood. He must persevere because the Lord supports a vision coming from Him, and at the end, we can say as our Lord Yehoshoua: **“I have glorified You on the earth, I have finished the work which You have given Me to do” John 17:4.**

XII. CONCLUSION

Through this modest contribution to the edification of the body of Mashiah, I pray that you discern in the spirit the love and burden Yehoshoua put in my heart for His souls. May the disciples of the Lord be free and reach the full knowledge of the truth. May true leaders rise up and work to feed the flock Yehoshoua acquired by His own blood. Three times the Lord asked Peter if he loved Him, Peter affirmatively answered and Yehoshoua told him to feed His sheeps.

Therefore we can say that, the love for the souls belonging to Yehoshoua is directly linked to the love we have for Him (John 21:15-18). In this period where darkness covers the surface of the earth, David compares the word to a lamp (Psalms 119:105). The Word is the principal instrument of every child of Elohim, with the purpose to avoid the very thick and dark darkness. May the true children of the Lord come out of their laziness and work for the Kingdom because according to Paul in **Romans 8:18** “**For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us**”.

Your brother Pierre

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The book the **TRUE DISCIPLE OF YEHOSHOUA MASHIAH** is a work of the Lord **YEHOSHOUA (JESUS)** who by his grace inspires us with themes to build his children in the nations.

"Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling; And to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, To God our savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever."

Jude 24-25

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