

## Intimacy with אַיָּהּ (Yahuah)

In the beginning, Adam and Eve (Hhuah "life") lived in perfect harmony with אַיָּהּ (Yahuah), Until they disobeyed him and their disobedience brought Sin into the world and humankind was separated from the presence of אַיָּהּ (Yahuah).

Before Adam and Eve (Hhuah) Sinned in the Garden of Eden **Genesis 3**. Both Adam and Eve (Hhuah) knew אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) on an intimate, personal level. They walked with Him in the Garden and talked directly to Him daily. Due to their Sin, we all became separated and disconnected from our Aluhym.

We can sense that separation and distance from אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) because of our Sin. Scripture (The Bible) tells us that "All of us like sheep have gone astray; each of us has turned to his own way." Our attitudes and immoral lifestyles are an active rebellion towards אַיָּהּ (Yahuah), his ways and is evidence of what Scripture calls Sin. The result of Sin in our lives is spiritual separation from אַיָּהּ (Yahuah). Although we may try to get close to אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) through our own efforts, we inevitably fail.

אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) is pure and Qadosh (Holy) and Sin can not be in his presence, so those with Sin in their lives that is not under the blood of **וַיְהוֹשֻׁעַ** (Yahusha) are separated from אַיָּהּ (Yahuah). אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) provided a way for humanity to return back to relationship with him once again and this is through his Son **וַיְהוֹשֻׁעַ** (Yahusha) and his sacrifice.

**וַיְהוֹשֻׁעַ** (Yahusha) often spoke of Sin in metaphors that illustrates the havoc Sin brings into our lives. He described Sin as blindness **Matthew 23:16-26**, sickness **Matthew 9:12**, being enslaved in bondage **John 8:34**, and living in darkness **John 8:12; 12:35-46**. **וַיְהוֹשֻׁעַ** (Yahusha) taught that this is a universal condition and that all people are guilty before אַיָּהּ (Yahuah). **Luke 7:37-48**.

**וַיְהוֹשֻׁעַ** (Yahusha) also taught that both inner thoughts and external acts render a person guilty of Sin **Matthew 5:28**. He taught that from within the human heart comes evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, envy, slander, arrogance, and folly **Mark 7:21-23**.

He affirmed that אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) is fully aware of every person's Sins, both external acts and inner thoughts; nothing escapes His notice **Matthew 22:18; Luke 6:8; John 4:17-19**.

Of course, some people are more morally upright than others. But we all fall short of אַיָּהּ (Yahuah)'s Set Apart standards **Romans 3:23**. It makes no difference how much or how little you've Sinned; you still fall short of אַיָּהּ (Yahuah)'s perfection.

אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) sees you as a precious treasure, and He desires to have a close relationship with you. More than anything He wants you to have an intimate love relationship and friendship with Him. אַיָּהּ (Yahuah) wants you to spend time with Him in intimate communication, and fellowship with Him, he desires you to trust him and follow his ways.

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face (presence) and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Shamym (Heavens) and will forgive their Sin and heal their land. **2 Chronicles 7:14**

Therefore say to them, Thus declares **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) of hosts: Return to me, says **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) of hosts, and I will return to you, says **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) of hosts. **Zechariah 1:3**

“Yet even now,” declares **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), “return to me with all your heart (inner man, mind, will), with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend (tear) your hearts (inner man, mind, will) and not your garments.” Return to **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) your Aluhym, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over evil. **Joel 2:12-13**

This is how **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) responds: "If you return to me, I will restore you so you can continue to serve me. If you speak good words rather than worthless ones, you will be my spokesman. You must influence them; do not let them influence you! **Jeremiah 15:19**

It does not matter what you have done or who you are, **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) Loves you and you must know that he does not require you to clean up or get right before you can come to him for forgiveness. He is always there waiting on you to call on his name and ask him for forgiveness of your sins, so he can begin to clean you and forgive you of your Sins and build a relationship with you. He will help you turn away from your Sinful nature as you learn more about him and his ways.

**וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) said: If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him. Phillip said, "Adon, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) answered: "Don't you know me, Phillip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father (as he is the perfect representation of the Father, express image of the Father). How can you say, 'Show us the Father? Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not my own. Rather, it is the Father dwelling in me is doing the work. **John 14:7-10**

When you're deeply in love with someone, you can't wait to spend time with them. You enjoy being in their presence as much as possible. No words need to be spoken. Nearness is enough. This is what we should desire with **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), because this is what he desires from us.

What many people do not realize is that **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) gave us the most amazing gift, the ability to communicate with **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) again and the opportunity to spend eternity with our Heavenly Father and our Ha Mashiach **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha), if we will just trust and believe in Him and what he did for us on the stake.

“For the wages of Sin is death, but the gift of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is eternal life through **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha)” **Romans 6:23**.

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha)” **Romans 8:1**

If we confess our Sins he is faithful and just and will forgive us our Sins and purify us from all unrighteousness **1 John 1:9**. We are then forgiven and become acceptable to **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), then we can have an intimate relationship with Him through **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha).

**וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) is **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s only provision for our Sin. Through him we can know and experience **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s love and plan for our life.

**OWYAZL** (Yahusha) promises eternal life, that he is the Son of **AYAZL** (Yahuah) and the only way we can know **AYAZL** (Yahuah) and be reconnected back to **AYAZL** (Yahuah) again. This is why **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) said; "I am the way, the truth and the life; no one can come to **AYAZL** (Yahuah) except through me. **John 14:6**

It was **OWYAZL** (Yahusha)'s love for us that caused him to endure the Stake (Tree). And he now invites us to come to him, that we might have an intimate relationship with him and the Father.

**OWYAZL** (Yahusha) came so that each of us could know and understand **AYAZL** (Yahuah) in an intimate way. **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) alone can bring meaning and purpose to life. Having a personal relationship with our Aluhym means we should include him in our daily lives, we should pray to Him, study His word, and meditate on it in an effort to get to know Him intimately. We should pray for wisdom **James 1:5**, which is the most valuable asset we could ever have. We should take our requests to Him daily in **OWYAZL** (Yahusha)'s name **John 15:16**. **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) is the one who loves us enough to give His life for us **Romans 5:8**, and He is the one who bridged the gap between us and **AYAZL** (Yahuah), so we can know him intimately.

For there is one Aluhym and one (1) mediator between **AYAZL** (Yahuah) and men, the man **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) HaMashiach , **1 Timothy 2:5**

Who is there to condemn us? For **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) HaMashiach, who died, and more than that was raised to life, is at the right hand of **AYAZL** (Yahuah)—and He is interceding for us. **Romans 8:34**

An intimate relationship with our Aluhym is not as hard to have as we might think and there is no mysterious formula for getting it. As soon as we believe and confess our Sins, repent and accept **OWYAZL** (Yahusha) as our Ha Mashiach from within our heart (inner man, will) and be Immersed (Baptized) in the Ruch Ah Qudesh, we become children of **AYAZL** (Yahuah), we receive the gift of the Ruch Ah Qudesh.

As we begin to study the word of **AYAZL** (Yahuah) and pray daily, laying our lives down daily to be lead by the Ruch, become obedient to the Commandments of **AYAZL** (Yahuah) and surrender to the Will of **AYAZL** (Yahuah) through the leading of the Ruch Ah Qudesh, our hearts (inner man, will) and lives will begin to be changed and we will begin to hear the voice of **AYAZL** (Yahuah).

Samuel heard the voice of **AYAZL** (Yahuah), but did not recognize it until he was instructed by Eli **1 Samuel 3:1-10**. Gideon had a physical revelation from **AYAZL** (Yahuah), and he still doubted what he had heard to the point of asking for a sign, not once, but three (3) times. **Judges 6:17-22, 36-40**.

**OWYAZL** (Yahusha) said: "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me" **John 10:27**.

Those who hear **AYAZL** (Yahuah)'s voice are those who belong to Him and are those who have been saved by unmerited favor (grace) through Amunah (Faith) in **OWYAZL** (Yahusha). These are the sheep that listen and recognize His voice, because they know Him as their Shepherd and they know His voice. If we are to recognize his voice, we belong to Him; spend time with him and listening for his voice by being quiet before him.

We hear His voice when we spend time in prayer, studying Scripture, and quiet time listening for his voice. The more time we spend intimately with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and His Word, the easier it is to recognize His voice and his leading in our lives. We should be so familiar with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s Word that when the Ruch Ah Qudesh speaks to us or leads us, it is clear that it is **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah).

Pour your heart out to him in prayer. He knows your secrets anyway, but when you trust him with your inner most hurts and longings, he will respond with his healing love, giving you comfort and understanding.

Praise (Hallu) **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) for his Qadoshness (Holiness). Thank him for accepting you with all your faults and shortcomings. Read your Scripture with a sense of expectancy, because **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) will speak to you from his written Word, giving the guidance and encouragement you need.

**אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) speaks to us so that we may understand truth, receive revelations and direction. While **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) can speak audibly to people, He speaks primarily through His Word, through circumstances, through other people and also through the Ruch Ah Qudesh to our heart (inner man, will). By applying what we hear to the truth of Scripture, we can learn to recognize His voice. Everything he speaks and shows us will be confirmed by the word of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah).

This is how we have an intimate relationship with Him, we must trust his word and believe he loves us and hears our prayers and that all his promises are true. Although we may not see changes immediately, we will begin to see them over time and all the truths will become clear.

When we seek **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s favor or gifts instead of a deeper relationship with him, we are choosing the gifts instead of the giver. **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) wants our attention on him over anything else in our lives, as **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is a jealous Aluhym. The Commandment of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is that we should have no other Aluhym (God's) before him. **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) should always be first (1st), then Family, then Work and play. If we put things in their proper order then even our personal relationships will become more rewarding and successful. Put **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) in the center of all your relationships and they will be Baruk (Blessed)!

**וַיִּשְׁמַע** (Yahusha) assured us that if we first (1st) seek the Kingdom of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and his righteousness, all our needs will be taken care of. **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is well aware of our needs and promises to care for them; you shall lack no good thing as long as you obey his Commandments, surrender to his Will and live according to his leading.

But seek first the kingdom of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you. **Matthew 6:33**

### **Seek and you shall find**

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. **Matthew 7:7**

The Tanank (OT) and Brit Hadashah (NT) words for "seek" mean: to seek the face (presence) of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah); to desire; to examine or explore; to seek earnestly; to diligently search for; to wish for; to crave; to investigate; to pursue.

Only **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) can touch our hearts (inner man, mind, will) and give us the desire to seek and to know Him and to want His will & ways above our own: I will give them a heart (inner man, mind, will) to know me.” **Jeremiah 24:7**

“Aluhym of our fathers, keep this desire in the hearts (inner man, will) of your people forever, and keep their hearts (inner man, will) loyal to you. And give my son Solomon a complete (at peace) heart (inner man, will) to keep your Commands, testimonies, and Statutes...” **I Chronicles 29:18-19**

“For it is **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) who works in you to will and act according to His good purpose.” **Philippians. 2:13**

Intimacy with **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and the fullest possible fellowship and partnership with Him comes as you desire him and seek to know him, his Will and his ways. Prayer and spending time with **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is all about desire & passion for **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), it is not a “Religious” discipline, it is a way of life!

“If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways, so I may know you and continue to find favor with you... Show me your esteem (glory).” **Exodus 33:13-18**

“One (1) thing I ask of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), this is what I seek; that I may dwell in the house (presence) of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and to seek Him in his temple (1964. hekal a palace, temple 3201. from root: yakol to be able, have power).” **Psalms 27:4**

“As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah). My soul thirsts for **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), for the living Aluhym. When can I go and meet with **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah)?” **Psalms 42:1-2**

“O **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), you are my Aluhym, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory... your love is better than life...” **Psalms 63:1-3**

“How lovely is your dwelling place, **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) Almighty, My soul yearns, even faints for the courts of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah); my heart (inner man, will) and my flesh cry out for the living Aluhym.” **Psalms 84:1-2**

“Now devote your Heart (inner man, will) and Souls to seeking **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah).” **1 Chronicles 22:19**

“And you my son Solomon, acknowledge the Aluhym of your father, and serve him with a complete heart (inner man, will) and with a willing mind, for **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) searches every heart (inner man, will) and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek Him he will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will reject you forever.” **1 Chronicles 28:9**

“For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart (inner man, will).”

**Jeremiah 29:11-13**

When you come to know **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) intimately, then you begin to trust him. If you don't know **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), you're not going to trust him. What's amazing is when we come into an

intimate relationship with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah), his sovereignty begins to take on a whole new dimension in our lives. The more you know **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) the more you will be able to let go of your life and give control of your life over into his hands.

One of the biggest things keeping us at a distance from **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) is materialism. When we get caught up in that, we begin to make idols out of our comfort, convenience and financial cushions. To really grow in a relationship with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) we need to shatter those idols and when we do we're able to trust in **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) more.

When we come into genuine relationship with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah), we fall in love and we will begin to have Love for **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and our neighbors that we have never known. It's when we come to know **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) intimately that the unconditional love that **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) pours into our hearts (inner man, will), enables us to love Him back and flows through us into the lives of our family members and those around us, but most importantly into our relationships with our wives and husbands.

Aspire to be like **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha). When we come into an intimate personal relationship with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah), we begin to resemble him and are molded into the image and likeness of our Aluhym.

Once we enter this intimate personal relationship with **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah), we begin to invite others into this relationship that we have discovered, because it is a relationship worth having and is the most beneficial relationship we can have.

### **The beginning of the relationship**

By His sacrificial death on the Stake, **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) took the Sins of the entire world on Himself and made Salvation available for everyone who believes. **1 John 2:2**. Only those who personally choose to believe in **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) will have eternal life. This is the consistent testimony of **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha). Listen to His words: "For my Father's Will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" **John 6:40**.

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies" **John 11:25**.

Choosing not to believe in **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha), by contrast, leads to eternal condemnation: "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s one and only Son" **John 3:18**.

When you believe in **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha) Ha Mashiach, a wonderful thing happens. **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah) forgives you of all your Sins. All of them! He puts them completely out of His sight. I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins **Isaiah 43:25**.

Below are verses, which speak of the forgiveness of those who have believed in **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (Yahusha):

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of Sins, in accordance with the riches of **אֵלֹהִים** (Yahuah)'s unmerited favor (grace)" **Ephesians 1:7**.

"Baruk (Blessed) is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose Sins are covered. Baruk (Blessed) is the man whose Sin **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) does not count against him, in whose ruch (spirit) there is no deceit. " **Psalm 32:1-2**.

"For as high as the Shamym (Heavens) are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us" **Psalm 103:11-12**.

If **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) is speaking to your heart (inner being, will) now, then now is your opportunity to believe. "Seek **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) while he may be found; call on him while he is near" **Isaiah 55:6**

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his Name, he gave the right to become children of **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah). We accept **וּוְיָאֵל** (Yahusha) by Amunah (Faith)!

**אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) forgives you by his special favor when you believe. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah). Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

Accepting **וּוְיָאֵל** (Yahusha) means believing that **וּוְיָאֵל** (Yahusha) is the Son of **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah), invite him to guide and direct our lives. **וּוְיָאֵל** (Yahusha) said, "I came that you might have life, and have it more abundantly."

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. **Revelation 3:20**

And without Amunah (Faith) it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. **Hebrews 11:6**

### **Do you ever feel like your life is a bit empty or meaningless?**

Do you ever feel like there is a deep hole in your soul? Well the reason it's there is because your ruch (spirit) is not aligned with your Creator. When you are in agreement with **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) and living for Him at all moments, then His Ruch (Spirit) will flow in you and fill that hole.

His Ruch Ah Qudesh will also flow through you to influence other peoples' lives. He needs to be the main reason for your life. He needs to be number one (1) and the center of all of your being. Put Him first (1st). Seek **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah). Center your life on **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) and everything else will fall into place.

### **How do you center your life on **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah)?**

By spending time in developing your relationship with Him. The best way to approach **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) is with an open heart to establish this deep bond. Every relationship requires that you spend time with the person.

### **Prayer**

There's a difference between saying we know **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) and actually knowing Him intimately. How much time do you spend praying each day? Do you talk to **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah) throughout your day? There are ways in which we can get closer to **אֱיָאֵל** (Yahuah), like

meditating on His word and spending time in prayer. Listen and get to know Him. One of the things that might help you is knowing how to make a prayer journal to keep track of answered prayers and see **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) working in your life.

### **The Word**

Do you ever ask **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) to just speak to your heart (inner man, will) through His Word? He renews our minds and strengthens our ruachs (spirits) when we read His Word.

### **Praise and Worship**

Spend time simply praising and telling Him that He is your everything. Praise and worship is a sure way for you to experience the presence of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) in your daily life.

### **Let everything be guided by the right motivation.**

If your number one goal in life is to please **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), then whatever you do will honor Him. All things in your life, even the difficult parts, will work together for His esteem and honor. Our role is to simply make sure that our hearts are in the right place.

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the esteem (glory) of **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah). **1 Corinthians 10:31**

You need to be seeking the Creator, the Provider, the Source of all things for guidance. When He tells you what to do, then your role is to simply obey. Obey **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) and leave the consequences up to Him. There is tremendous rest for your soul when you do that.

“**אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” Submit yourselves therefore to **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah). Resist HaSatan (the devil), and he will flee from you. Draw near to **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts (inner man, will), you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah), and he will exalt you. **James 4:6-10**

The sooner you start to rely on **אֱלֹהִים** (Yahuah) to lead your life, the sooner you will be able to rest in Him. We need to work each day for His esteem and honor, for the furthering of His Kingdom in our own lives and towards the people that we touch. When we yearn for Him, He tells us His goals for our lives. His Presence flows and gives us joy. He inspires us to fulfill His Will, thus growing in an intimate relationship with our creator.