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# Silent Message



By Asher Intrater

*Can we hear what someone is saying when they are not talking?*

*Can we hear what God is saying, when He is silent?*

I have often said that there are two main messages of the cross of Yeshua. One is oral; the other is written.

The **oral message** is the forgiveness of sins. Yeshua cried out on the cross, **“Father, forgive them for they know not what they are doing”** (Luke 23:34). With these words, and by making atonement through His death, Yeshua forever made an offer to mankind of salvation by grace.

The written message has to do with the kingdom: **“This is Yeshua, King of the Jews”** (Matthew 27:37). This was written on the sign over His head while He was hanging on the cross. It was written in three languages. It is a statement of authority, identity, kingship, government, and coronation.

## **An Additional Message**

And yet, there is more. His spoken words on the cross only took some seconds, maybe a minute. But he was hanging there for 6 hours. There is another language - one that we could call “body language.” It is doing acts of love, sacrifice, service, support - when words cannot be spoken.

How can you tell someone you love them, when they are not willing to hear? How can you tell someone they are doing something wrong, when they are not willing to listen?

How much is God speaking to us and we do not have ears to hear (Revelation 2:7)? Is there something so good that we do not have enough trust to receive it? Is there something so bad that we do not have enough faith to endure it?

God is our Father. He loves us. We are His children. We have sinned against Him through rebellion and rejection (Isaiah 1:2, Malachi 1:6). We have hurt Him. Either we do not know it or we do not care.

Yeshua, as the Son, came to show us the love of the Father (John 3:16). What did we do? We, as a human race, crucified Him. What did He do? He allowed Himself to be crucified --silent. He stretched out His hands. He suffered.

On the cross, Yeshua suffered in silence to show us how much God loves us, when we weren't willing to listen. This is the ultimate act of love. It is sacrificial love. It is the willingness to suffer in silence at the hands of someone you love.

It is the “silent message” of the cross. Can we hear it? Can we walk in it ourselves for those we love, when they cannot hear? Can we hear it from someone else who loves us, and we are not aware of it?

The soldier pierced Yeshua's heart while He hung there (John 19:34). One day we will look on the One whom we have pierced and understand at least partially what we have done, and what He has done for us (Zechariah 12:10). Our hearts will be pierced together with His.

Yeshua stretched out His hands and said nothing.

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## ***Can we hear the Father speaking?***

# Who is Preparing Your Faith for The Last Hour?



By Avi Tekle

At the Passover meal with His disciples right before He went to the cross, Yeshua said, **“All of you will be made to stumble because of Me”** (Mark 14:27).

Bewildered, Simon said, **“No, no. All these may deny you, but I won't.”**

Yeshua responded, **“Before [dawn] you will deny me three times!”**

Well, we know what happened. Now notice Yeshua's next words: **“Simon, Simon, Satan has demanded to sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith will not fail; and when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers”** (Luke 22:31).

What an amazing statement! Yeshua saw what was coming and said that even temporary stumbling could become a part of purifying Simon's “kernel” of faith.

Sifting involves first pummeling the wheat and then shaking it in a sieve, so the kernels of grain can be separated from the chaff and purified. That's the kind of uncomfortable process that Yeshua told Simon that he *WOULD* go through.

Now it sounds interesting, when used as an agricultural preaching metaphor. But when it comes to our own life, it becomes *deathly painful*. It may include uncertainties around money, employment, relationships, personal danger and governmental stability - big question marks and huge stressors.

Satan will try many things in our life to bring destruction, **but these four steps will help prepare us:**

**1. Yeshua outsmarts Satan and prays FOR US that our faith will not fail. “Therefore He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to**

**make intercession for them”** (Hebrews 7:25). Even if (when) you stumble, Yeshua wants to use it to fortify your faith.

You also can take faith steps:

**2. Focus on the future.** When we focus on what we have gone through or where we've been in our past, it robs our faith for tomorrow. Look into the future with hope, knowing your confidence is definitely *not within yourself, by yourself, nor from yourself*. Know God is faithful and sees ahead as we put our confidence in Him, even if we don't understand what it will look like.

**3. Stand firm.** **“...be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil; and after you have done everything, stand firm”** (Ephesians 6:10-12). Simply standing in faith, holding on to what you know about God, and relying on His grace is something that we can do now and when the pressure builds up and things get confusing.

I recently heard of a soldier in our congregation who, at the end of her army service, took a “Jewish identity course.” At the end of this course they asked her if she believes in Yeshua. She said, “Yes.” They asked her to deny Him, and she said, “I can't.” She took a stand!

**4. Take action.** **“What good is it ... if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can such faith save him? If a brother or sister lacks ... food and one of you says to him ‘... be well fed,’ but you don't give him what the body needs what good is it?”** (James 2:14-17). In Hebrews 11, the different faith heroes, each one - Abel, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Deborah ... all acted in their own unique circumstances according to the faith that God gave them.

[Sermon excerpts from [youtube](#) channel 10.17.20]



# Do You Want to be Shot?



By **Guy Cohen**

After Yeshua's resurrection from the dead, He appeared to the eleven disciples and said to them, **“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues... they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover”** (Mark 16:15-18).

In one word, what was it that Yeshua told them to do? **Go**. He had prepared them for three years for exactly that. They went through trials and tests, doubts and fears, as well as criticism and sacrifice. All of this became a part of their testimony. Yeshua taught them and was an example to them throughout that time.

What they gained from all of this was their identity as HIS disciples. In this they were unified, eleven of them remaining faithful to Him and to one another. This identity was part of their DNA and included attributes such as integrity, unity and faithfulness.

What does this say to me as a believer? Let's take Yeshua's example of investing in people and apply it to the business world.

Many successful businesses have been built according to these same principles. They begin by developing a small group of people trained, unified and “pointing” in the same direction. Then they go out, expanding into different areas but maintaining that same DNA, unity and vision.

There is the example of the building of the State of Israel – on the foundation of the Kibbutz and Moshav agricultural villages. Each of them was founded by a core of pioneers partnering with each other and willing to sacrifice for the sake of the common goal.

Early *Aliyah* was heavily invested in by Baron Edmond James de Rothschild, a descendant of Mayer Amschel Rothschild who was born in 1744 in the ghetto in Frankfurt, Germany. The Rothschild family coat of arms includes a fist *clutching five arrows*. The arrows are a reference to Mayer's five sons and to me are reminiscent of the words of Psalm 127:3-5, **“...children are a reward from [God]. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior...”** Rothschild sent his five sons out to establish banks in five key cities throughout Europe.

Each of these examples resulted in change and are an example of people being sent out. I see through these examples how spiritual principles are foundational in the natural realm as well. Many would like to be *sent out, shot towards a target*. However, success depends on first being disciplined.

The disciples were Yeshua's arrows, sent to raise up the body and bring a change to mankind. Can we say that today we, as the members of that Body, are like arrows going forth in the love of God? Walking in the integrity of His Word? In unity and faithfulness? Bringing change?

What is our DNA as individuals, families and congregations? What change are we hoping to bring?

# Multiple Meanings Regarding the Servant of the Lord



By Leon Mazin

There is some disagreement over who the “Servant of the Lord” is in the prophecies of Isaiah, especially in chapter 53. Orthodox Jews say this term refers to the “people of Israel.” Christians say this is the “Savior Messiah.”

Let’s look at this. First, we need to recognize that a single word or term in the Bible can have more than one meaning. (For example, in various prophetic verses, the word “lion” can refer to Israel, to the tribe of Judah or even to the devil - Numbers 23:24, Genesis 49:9, 1 Peter 5:8).

The term “**Servant of the Lord**” appears several times in Isaiah.

**“And you, Israel, Jacob *My servant* whom I have chosen, you descendants of Abraham *My friend*, I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you. I said, ‘You are *My servant*; I have chosen you and have not rejected you”** (Isaiah 41:8-9, emphasis added). This verse clearly refers to the people of Israel. Paul, in Romans 11, interpreted this verse as confirming the election and the promises to the ancestors and Israel.

Isaiah says that even a pagan emperor (Cyrus) can perform God’s will (Isaiah 44-45). God put it in the heart of this leader to rebuild the Temple in which Messiah Yeshua would later stand. The logical conclusion is that God can make for Himself a servant of whomever He wants ... but especially of those who **AGREE TO COOPERATE with HIM!**

When we read Isaiah 53, we see the One who cooperated to the ultimate degree in carrying out God’s will:

**“... for the transgression of *My people* He was stricken... and the will of the LORD will prosper in His hand. After the suffering of His soul, He will see the light of life and be satisfied; by His knowledge *my righteous servant* will justify many, and He will bear their iniquities”** (Isaiah 53:8-11, emphasis added).

In this scripture, the text clearly does not speak of the people of Israel, but speaks of the promised Savior, the One who agreed to give up His soul to torment in order to reveal eternal atonement to both Israel and the world. By the way, the ancient Jewish Targum commentaries, like the believers in Yeshua, also interpreted this scripture as referring to the Messiah, Savior of the World!

I will conclude with the words of Peter concerning this Messiah: **“Behold, I lay in Zion a cornerstone, chosen, precious; and he who believes in Him will not be ashamed”** (1 Peter 2:6).

*Once again, I want to ask you to pray and support the Return to Zion ministry to new immigrants, the school of music serving children from economically challenged families, and the development of the Return to Zion Congregation.*

*Thank you.*

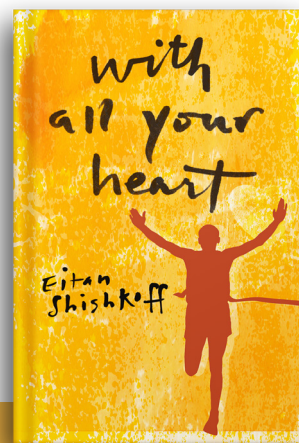


# With All Your Heart

is for sale now on Amazon.



By Eitan Shishkoff



*With All Your Heart* is a book born out of affection for young people. From leading a faith-based group of underprivileged boy scouts in the 1970s, to overseeing dozens of teen camps in Israel, I've always been drawn to youth - and moved by their raw honesty. Interacting with them over the decades has challenged me to respond to their needs - and make God more than just a word they hear in congregational services.

I'm also a grandfather. So, I wrote this book for my grandchildren (ages 1 to 22), to impart my heart - hopefully in a way that will leave a lasting deposit of what it really means to live FULLY from one's heart, connected with God's heart.

## Expressions of the Heart are Everywhere

Heart stopping! Heartthrob. Heart-felt. Heartache. Heart's desire. Heart of the matter.

This is a tiny sample of expressions in our everyday speech that echo the centrality of our heart. Our heart is the core of our being - both physically, emotionally, and spiritually. So, when I set out to write a book about living from the heart, I was astonished at the sheer volume of biblical statements about this fist-sized pump in our chest.

*"From the end of the earth I will cry to You, when my heart is overwhelmed; lead me to the rock that is higher than I."* (Psalm 61:2)

*"My heart and my flesh may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."* (Psalm 73:26)

*"I will give you shepherds after My heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding."* (Jeremiah 3:15)

*"Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."* (Proverbs 4:23)

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might."* (Deuteronomy 6:4)

*"And you will seek me and find me, when you search for me with all your heart."* (Jeremiah 29:13)

Here's what I believe. Life is meant to be lived fully - from the heart. Anything less is a disappointing compromise. Only by embracing both the centrality and the potential of our heart are we empowered to fulfill God's highest destiny for us.

## How Can One Truly Live from the Heart?

What does that even mean? What are the challenges, the barriers, the enemies of your heart? For what purpose did God fashion your heart? Is it possible for the Almighty to manifest *His heart through yours*? How does Yeshua teach us to live from the heart?

More and more questions piled up as my list of Bible verses grew into the hundreds. How could I ever get a handle on such an enormous and essential subject? Then it came to me: I would write this book as a down-to-earth, personal message for my grandchildren, and for young people in Israel and elsewhere.

## Personal Experiences

Personal stories of grief, of disappointment, of delight, and of my search for life's meaning are throughout the book. The thirty-three chapters are short, each one easily read in a single sitting. There's even an audio version, in which I had a blast reading every page aloud.

It would be my joy for God to touch your heart through what He's enabled me to write.



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# Feed Tel Aviv – A Surprise Benefit



By Moti Cohen

Eliav praying for a woman on the street.

The vision of our **Feed Tel Aviv** outreach was born, first and foremost, out of a desire that our congregation would be a blessing to the community around us. One neighborhood, near Tiferet Yeshua, happens to be the worst area for homelessness and drug use in the entire country of Israel.

Since its beginning, **Feed Tel Aviv** has been a labor of love through which many of the congregational volunteers have been blessed to see lives touched and people rescued from the streets. What I never imagined was that **Feed Tel Aviv** would become a “training ground” (of sorts) for believers who want to serve the poor and learn how to witness on the streets but don’t know how to begin or don’t have the opportunity. It has been a surprise and a joy for me that, through this ministry, **we get to see so many sincere believers from all over Israel who want to serve the poor, be touched with the passion for outreach and sharing the gospel!**



Moti and Eliav with the youth group from the north preparing food for an outreach

This past winter, Eliav contacted me. He is a youth group leader from a congregation in the north who wanted to volunteer with us on an outreach to the homeless.

The first thing we did together was to make over a hundred hamburgers and other sandwiches to hand out on the streets. Then we prepared large thermoses of tea, and brought jackets, blankets, gloves and hats to give to the homeless. With so many helping hands, the work was light.

The day of the outreach, the youth group had many special encounters with people on the street. Some just wanted food. Others asked for prayer in addition to the food and warm clothing. Still others just wanted to talk and pour out their hearts to someone who would listen. It was amazing to see these young people responding with love to some of the most disturbing sights of poverty and desperation they had ever seen. With God’s grace, these youth overcame their shock and feeling of awkwardness and began praying for and sharing the love of God.

Eliav and the members of his youth group speak both Hebrew and Russian. Since a large percentage of the homeless drug addicts are from a Russian-speaking background, there was a special connection. They ended up spending much time sharing with, listening to, and praying for those they met.

Many drug addicts, even some who were Arabs, came up to this group of young people to give them a warning: **“We were young like you when we started trying drugs, and look where we ended up. Don’t make the mistakes we did!”** It was powerful for the youth to hear such sober warnings from the drug addicts themselves, and to hear their sincere hurt and regret over the choices they had made.

We are so thankful that God is putting it on the hearts of many here in Israel to devote time to serving these “invisibles” and that He is using this outreach to train believers here in Israel to walk out their faith as Yeshua did: reaching out to the lost and suffering with love, mercy, and hope.

Thanks to your support, we can continue this important outreach here in Israel. Thank you!

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# What's in front of you right now?



By Tal Haroni

For the past year and a half, all of our lives have been affected by COVID-19 restrictions and disruptions. I feel like we all have had to stop and push “reset” on our lives. I believe God is calling us in a strategic way. He is positioning us for the next move from Him.

I've personally had to change my approach. I used to travel internationally, then suddenly the gates for leaving Israel were closed. I had to change my perspective and my focus in life. So, I started really praying and asking the Lord, “*What are You doing and where are You positioning me?*”

God spoke to me from the book of Nehemiah about building a wall of protection. One of the beautiful aspects that occurred during the days of Nehemiah was the rebuilding and repairing of the broken, breached wall around Jerusalem. Each family was responsible for a certain part of the wall.

I had to change my whole perspective and mindset. I signed up for university studies. Without the option to go abroad, I felt I had to focus on what God had put in my hands in this season.

Getting back to the scripture ... each family and individual had a part of the wall that they were to build. *It was beautiful for me to see that we cannot fix the whole world. We cannot focus on other people's segment of the wall. We are all part of the same*

wall, the same body. But each one of us is positioned and called for a certain strategic place in order to fix our part of the wall, the part that is in front of us. At first I tried hard to keep going as before and maintain the same contact with people abroad. I kept trying to see my life the way I saw it before, but I couldn't because God was repositioning me, at a certain part of the wall for which I had to *care and build*.

He was calling me personally to build the local believers here in Israel, especially the young adults through discipleship with Revive Israel; and He was calling me to share the gospel with other Israelis as I study for my master's degree as a family counselor, in a secular Israeli college in the town of *Rishon Le'Zion*.

If everyone only works on one single segment of the wall, the entire wall won't be rebuilt and gaps will remain. We have to accept our calling, accept the way the body needs to function, concentrate on what is before us right now in this season and not look at what we used to be doing or what others are doing now. Yes, this season might be less glamorous, or maybe it might be harder than before. God is positioning each of us, calling us all to prepare the world itself for revival and His second coming. We are to trust God's strategic positioning of each of us in our section of the wall.







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Dear Friends,

We are into YEAR 2 of \*ShelanuTV! “They” (the Israeli government, or at least the very religious members of it) sought to shut us down and shut us up - but here we are!

Our internet TV channel is sharing the GOOD NEWS of Yeshua the Messiah with THOUSANDS of Israelis every week - thanks to your prayers, your support and our amazing team.

I always enjoy hearing each month from Evan Santoro, our Station Manager. When you are in the trenches every day - taping, producing, marketing, answering emails (some nice, some not so nice) - it's encouraging to “look up” and see the bigger picture of where we were and where we are going.

Below are some of the highlights of how Shelanu TV is impacting Israel!

*We are continuing to produce several shows weekly for the channel. Just last week, we filmed another episode of “The Living Room.” It was a very powerful testimony of an Israeli woman who grew up in a religious household but found Yeshua. These testimonies are particularly effective as there are a lot of religious Jews in Israel, and such testimonies tend to touch their hearts and cause them to listen. We are excited about this episode and are praying and believing that it will bear much fruit.*

*I am amazed that we have been able to produce so much content in such a short period of time. It is the grace of God! **There has never been so much native Israeli, born-again content available as there is today.***

*We know that the people of Israel have historically suffered much at the hands of so-called Christians, turning them off to the concept of Yeshua being the Messiah. However, as this God-injected content is being released, we see disbelief and bias begin to crumble and the light of the truth shine through, reaching hearts. We are going to see a change in Israel as people turn towards the light of the life of Yeshua and are saved!*

***We reached just under a quarter of a million people during the month of June.***

It takes about \$12,000 to cover the costs of production EACH month for ShelanuTV. Our shows are high-quality - first because, as followers of Yeshua, we want our viewers to see excellence; and secondly, because we know that Israelis have HIGH standards and would not even give our channel a second look if we ever put out anything less than the best!

We are ALL eager to see MILLIONS of Israelis come to believe that Yeshua is the Messiah—but as with all harvests, it's vital that you know what SEASON you are in. I'm no farmer or gardener - at least not in the natural, but I am in the spirit! Right now, it is SEED PLANTING time and WATERING time ... and even before that, there are some areas where we are breaking up the hard ground.

JOIN US in this exciting adventure to reach ALL of ISRAEL with the gospel.

Until all Israel is saved (Romans 11:26),

Ron Cantor  
Director, #IamwithIsrael

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PS... I hope to have some exciting news for you soon. We are in discussions with the creators of The Chosen to air it on Shelanu with Hebrew subtitles. Pray!

\* [Shelanu means “ours” in Hebrew. We are helping Israelis understand that Yeshua belongs to them too, and not just to the Nations.]



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