

Our Bodies -- a dwelling place of The Most High

This short study is NOT intended to attack or judge anyone, but merely an **act of love to my First Love – Father Yahuah (YHUH)**, Who laid it on my heart to share this with you IN LOVE and with HUMILITY, because I care about your well-being!

Introduction

The physical temple (house) of Almighty [Father] Yahuah (YHUH) on the Temple Mount in Yerushalayim (Jerusalem) have been destroyed twice (first by the armies of Nebuchadnezzar in 586 B.Y. and the second in 70 A.D. by rogue elements within the legions of the Roman General Titus). Our BODIES have thus become the dwelling place of Yahuah, our Father through His Qodesh Ruach (Set Apart Spirit) – a place where He can TABERNACLE/FELLOWSHIP with us!

Messiah Yahusha referred to his body as a dwelling place (**Mar 14:58**).

In **1Pet 2:5**, we are described as a **spiritual house**.

In **Act 17:24**, we read that Yahuah, the Maker of everything **does NOT dwell in dwellings made with hands!**

He dwells IN US through His Ruach (Spirit), for we are His dwelling place (2Cor 6:16)!

He put His Spirit in those who obey Him. **His Spirit dwells in us (2Tim 1:14; Eze 36:27; Act 2:38)**

1Cor 6:15a Do you not know that **your bodies are members of Messiah?**

1Cor 6:19-20 Or do you not know that your **body is the Dwelling Place of the Set-apart Spirit who is in you**, which you **have from Elohim**, and **you are not your own?** For you were **bought with a price**, therefore **esteem Elohim in your body** and in your spirit, which are of Elohim.

Let's have a look at the Strong's for the meaning of the word dwelling place in 1Cor 6:19:
G3485

naos: temple

Hebrew related words . . .

H1004

bayith: a house

Original Word: בַּיִת

H1964

hekal: a palace, temple

Original Word: הֵיכָל

H1687

debir: perhaps (a place of) speaking (the innermost room [of Solomon's temple])

Original Word: דְּבִיר

In the above word meanings, we see that **our bodies are referred to as a temple, a house, a palace and an innermost room where Almighty YAHUAH can dwell within us through His Qodesh Ruach (Set Apart Spirit).**

We should thus regard our bodies as a [temple/house/dwelling place], set apart to Yahuah, used **ONLY** for His esteem, **NOT for the pleasures of man/woman** (except off course for your **spouse**)!

Why do I share all this with you?

It has come to my attention that many Spirit-filled, Torah observant (obedient) believers place images of half naked men and women on their walls, **drawing unnecessary attention to the bodies of these men/women**. Yes, Yahuah, our Creator made us and blessed us with beautiful earthly bodies, but our bodies were NEVER INTENDED to be used or displayed carnally and inappropriately, enticing sin and fornication from those who still lust after the flesh! There should be **NO FOCUS on the body of anyone** (except the body of your spouse). The **focus should be on the HEART!** I always ask ladies the same question – do you want men to connect to your body or your heart?

We are led through Scripture to **NOT place a STUMBLING BLOCK** before our brothers and sisters [that might lead them to sin and fornication], hence we should **protect them and not expose them** to possible sin and fornication (**1Cor 10:32; Rom 14:13 and 2Co 6:3**).

Ladies should always remember that men can easily be drawn into sin by what they see – therefore ladies should be very careful to dress in such a way that it might [unnecessary] draw the eyes of men to their bodies! Men have powerful imaginations and they can use them destructively if they see a woman dressed inappropriately! Ladies, in love – make sure that your clothes do NOT reveal any cleavage and that you wear the correct underwear – the SAME goes for the men! When we DRESS APPROPRIATELY, we HONOR Father Yahuah, our Bridegroom Yahusha, as well as our spouse through our body, showing them the necessary respect as our beloved(s)!

Luk 11:36 “If then **all your body is enlightened**, having **no part dark**, **all shall be enlightened**, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light.”

Rom 8:10 And if **Messiah is in you**, the **body is truly dead on account of sin**, but the Spirit is life on account of righteousness (Torah).

Rom 6:12-13 Therefore **do not let sin reign in your mortal body, to obey it in its desires, neither present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin**, but present yourselves to Elohim as being alive from the dead, and **your members as instruments of righteousness** (Torah) to Elohim.

Mashiach (Messiah) Yahusha is coming for a spotless bride, NOT a spotted one!

Rev 19:7-9 “Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him praise, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and **His wife prepared herself**.” And to her it was given to be **dressed in fine linen**, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the **righteousnesses of the set-apart ones**. And he said to me, “Write, ‘**Blessed are those who have been called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!**’ ” And he said to me, “These are the true words of Elohim.”

Let’s all endure to **seek and pursue SET APARTNESS** from the things of this world and **NOT be a stumbling block to one another, but a help and encouragement unto RIGHTEOUSNESS (TORAH)!**

1Thes 4:3-5 For this is the **desire of Elohim: your set-apartness!** – that you should abstain from whoring, that each one of you should know **how to possess his own vessel in set-apartness and respect, not in passion of lust, like the gentiles** who do not know Elohim.

1Thes 3:13 to **establish your hearts blameless in set-apartness** before our Elohim and Father at the coming of our Master Yahusha Messiah with all His **set-apart ones!**

Rom 6:19 I speak as a man, because of the weakness of your flesh. For even as you did present your members as servants of uncleanness, and of lawlessness resulting in lawlessness, so now **present your members as servants of righteousness resulting in set-apartness**.

Isa 26:9 My **being longs for You** in the night, also, my spirit within me **seeks You earnestly**. For when Your right-rulings are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world shall learn righteousness.