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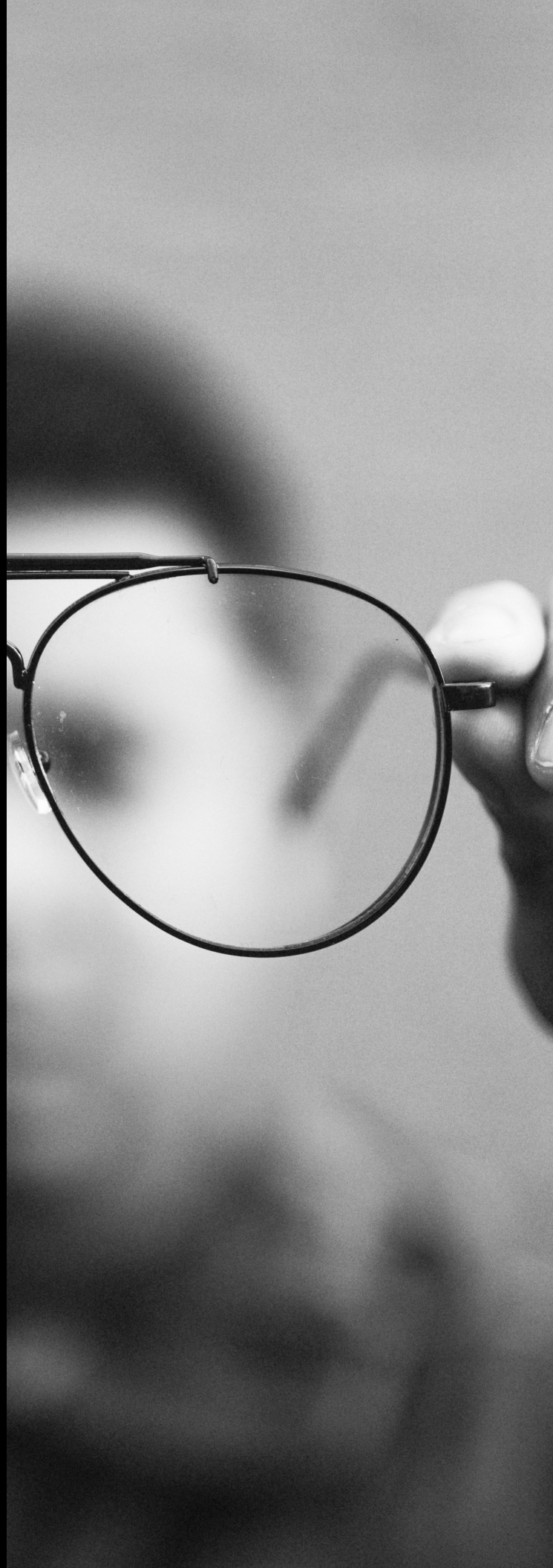
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MORE THAN BLACK AND WHITE

What does “more than black and white” mean? You can paint a picture or clearly resemble an image or a moment using just black and white, however color adds beauty to what’s being painted. Take for example red, it can be used to express anger, danger, evil but it can also mean warmth and love. Depending on what’s painted and how its painted, color can express so much more than black and white. So, when we say more than black and white, we mean there is so much more to the scriptures than “thou shalt” and “thou shalt not.”



During the beginning stages of repentance, we often hear a lot of “you can’t do this, you can’t do that”. That alone can be very intimidating and overwhelming at the same time. It can even causes some people to second guess the truth. Many people be thinking that the laws are too complicated and confusing. Others believe that it is a miserable lifestyle. With all the uncertainty we may have, there are two things that all Israel should understand. That is; 1. The laws YHWH gave us are extraordinary and makes perfect sense, AND 2. There’s a lot more to it when you view it more than black and white.

I will admit, repentance is a challenging process. It’s literally breaking sinful habits cold turkey. However, like our forefather Jacob, we have the ability to ignite our spirit and achieve whatever we set our focus on. Why not do that for YHWH? It’s common for us to get frustrated when we lack understanding. It is also common for us to be discouraged and uncomfortable when something is unpleasant. The day we realize and accept that our lives will be full of trials, temptation, challenges and obstacles is the day our light will begin to shine.

When it comes to being in the truth, your comfort will be based upon your own mindset. You can view this walk as something beautiful or as something dreadful. Either way you look at it, the reality is that both perspectives includes phases of discomfort. This is one reason why the scriptures often go into the inner thoughts of man. Man has been known to fall short when we let our minds/thoughts, our feelings/emotions and unrighteous influences get the best of us. We underestimate how powerful our minds are & don’t realize the amount of harm we can bring to ourselves just by the things we ponder on.

The battle between the spirit and flesh can be seen in our level of discipline, and humility is the key ingredient to becoming disciplined. If you really want answers to anything, the first thing you must do is to allow yourself to be taught (Hebrews 5:12). Most people rely on their emotions to give them answers versus thinking logically. When



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you don't think logically, you make decisions going based upon the information you know and are aware of and what you are feeling at the moment. Then, once a decision is made in our heads, we stand strong on it. The issue here is that we think that our opinions are world facts because we make it make perfect sense in our minds. We don't know everything! Thinking logically is considering that there are things we don't know and other variables that can easily change the outcome.

Allowing yourself to be taught means to absorb information and process it for understanding and then test it out to see if the answer is absolutely correct. A humble thought to always keep in mind is, "I might be wrong and I want to be careful with making my decision". To fully consider something, we must accept the answer that's given as the truth and understand an idea in a perspective outside of our own. And then, you can thoroughly reason with new information to find a true answer and have better judgement.

After discovering what's true, then we must allow our emotions and ego to accept it too. It's okay to not know and to let something marinate because some answers take time to develop. Think of some answers like a flower or plant that takes time to bloom. Just don't forget to fully reconsider when more understanding comes and the truth will come to you. Most adults develop bad habits of rejecting things they know nothing about. As they grow older, they lack patience, become closed minded and very prideful. One thing I always tell people, "Just because it make sense, doesn't mean that its right".

There's more truth to find after learning what the bible says. If you apply these mental concepts to really learn about YHWH, Yahawashi (Christ), the laws, prophecies and the wisdom that's written, then you will see how Israelite culture is more than black and white. Just like learning an instrument, a new language or developing a new skill, we have to be willing to go through a little discomfort to enjoy the inner beauty that's only accessible for those that work to see it. Think of the fruits of the spirit as muscles, you have to put them to work in order for them to grow and be strong. You will be able to witness the beauty behind our history, the joy of our ceremonies, the connection to our forefathers and the excitement of what's to come. This is how you develop a passion for the truth and prevent grievous thoughts about the truth. At the end of the day, it's really your decision on how want to feel about the truth that will determine what you will believe. **TN**



FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

UNDERSTANDING THE FEASTS OF THE LORD



The Memorial Blowing of Trumpets

Leviticus 23:24 "Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. 25 Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

Understanding the Purpose of the Feast

The Memorial, also known as "Feast of Trumpets" is a feast commanded by the LORD in which we commemorate the uses of, arguably, the most important instrument used by our Israelites forefathers. The Memorial of Blowing of Trumpets is exactly that, a memorial to remember the importance of the trumpet/shofar and all the reasons we used it. Let us look into the scriptures and see the many uses for it. Numbers 10:10 "Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over

your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD your God." Here we can see that the Most High instructed us to use the shofar/trumpet for a NUMBER of reasons: in our days of gladness, during our new moons/beginning and during the process of our sacrifices over various offerings. There are also situations such as assembling Israel together, sounding an alarm to warn the people and even blowing the trumpet along with our war cry. Lets examine the scriptures and see some of these examples.

Times of Gladness

2 Samuel 6:14 "And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen Ephod. 15 So David and all the House of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

So here we see the ark was recovered and brought back to the "City of David" also known as Zion/Jerusalem. And upon recovering the ark (which was the time of gladness) there was a celebration. During this celebration there was shouting, dancing AND the sounding/blowing of the shofar. So, as we can see, it was instrumental in our celebrations, as a form of music for the people. Let us examine further uses for the shofar.

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Times of War

Joshua 6:2 "And the LORD said unto Joshua, see, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valor. 3 And ye shall compass the city, all ye men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days. 4 and seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times and the priests shall blow with the trumpets. 5 and it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him."



Joshua 6:15 "And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times; only on that day they compassed the city seven times. 16 and it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, shout; for the LORD hath given you the city."

Joshua 6:20 "So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him and they took the city."

Joshua 7:17 and he said unto them, look on me and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be that, as I do, so shall ye do. 18 when I blow with the trumpet, I and all that are with me, then blow ye the trumpet, I and all that are with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, the sword of the LORD, and of Gideon (19) So Gideon, and the hundred men that were with him, came unto the outside of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that were in their hands. (20) And the three companies blew the trumpet, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withal: and they cried, the sword of the LORD and of Gideon. (21) and they stood every man in his place round about the camp: and all the host ran and cried and fled. (22) and the three hundred blew the trumpets and the LORD set every man's sword against his fellow, even throughout all the host: and the host fled to Bethshittah in Zererath, and to the border of Abelmeholah, unto Tabbath. 23 and the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manesseh, and pursued after the midianites. (24) and Gideon sent messengers throughout Ephraim, saying come down against the midianites. And take before them the waters unto bethbarah and Jordan. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together and took the waters unto bethbarah and Jordan. (25) and they took two princes of the midianites, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew

Oreb upon the rock of Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeep, and pursued Midian and brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon on the other side Jordan.

Here we have a few examples in the uses of the shofar during the time of war. We see it was used prior to the war cries and to initiate battles. We see the shofar was also used in cadence one to another to communicate when battle would be initiated. Not only that, the loud sound of the trumpets alarm could also discombobulate the unsuspecting enemies.

Assemble Israel

“Numbers 10:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, (2) Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps. (3) And when they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. (4) And if they blow but with one trumpet, then the princes, which are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee. (5) When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward. (6) When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys. (7) But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm. (8) And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance forever throughout your generations.”

During our time in the wilderness, we used the shofar to assemble the people. How the shofar was blown indicated who was to assemble and where. There was also a sound of the trumpet known as the “alarm” and each sound indicated who should come and be assembled. There are many other examples of these various uses of the shofar. As you read the scriptures, you will see how instrumental the shofar was in Israelite culture. As such, it makes sense the LORD would command us to commemorate such an instrument. So as you read through your history that is the bible, continue to examine and keep track of all the different times and events in which the shofar was used. Let us continue to KEEP THE FEAST with understanding, mirth and gladness.

Day of Atonement

In this walk we stumble and we fall, sometimes unknowingly and sometimes through pure weakness of the flesh. This is no strange thing.

Proverbs 24:16 “For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.”

The harsh truth is that we are NOT perfect. However, we are striving for perfection. The beauty of the Most High, is he installed a process in which our sins can be forgiven. As we read through Leviticus Chapters 1-4, we are informed of the manner in which we can atone for our sins. There must be a sacrifice brought forth. In addition, these were in



reference to unintentional sins/sins in ignorance. But as we go through our daily walk, sometimes we may not realize that we have sinned against the Most High God. Which ultimately means we could not atone/make sacrifice for that sin. However, The Most High installed an annual atonement, where all of Israel could atone for their sin. This day is known as the Day of Atonement.

Leviticus 23:27 “Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.”

The Day of atonement was and is very imperative today. It allows us the ability to have a clean slate every year (if you SINCERELY REPENT) and try to get it right with the Most High. At one point we were commanded to bring forth a burnt offering, now we understand Christ has taken the place of that sacrifice.

HEBREWS 10:9

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Hebrews 10:1,3,6-10 "For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. (3) But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. (6) In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. (7) Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. (8) Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; (9) Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. (10) By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Now That Christ has become our atonement, it is our job to live in a manner pleasing to the father, to make ourselves a living sacrifice and die daily from the flesh and the world as we strive to atone and be at one with the LORD.

Psalms 51:16 For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

While we see that atonement is a Holy Day and sabbath ordained by the LORD, and we see there are things necessary for this feast i.e., fasting (Isaiah 58:6-13), it is all for nothing if you have not truly atoned and repented in your heart. So as we continue to strive toward perfection in obedience to the Most High God, as we continue to rehearse the righteous acts, let us ensure we are constantly examining our souls and striving for these things in sincerity and truth. Let us make sure that we are making ourselves a worthy sacrifice to the LORD as we atone daily to become desirable to the father. Let us keep the feast with sincere intentions and with the mindset of becoming at one with the Heavenly Father.

Feast of Tabernacles

The Feast Of Tabernacles is one of the most looked forward to feast days of the year. An eight day feast, with two sabbaths (Day 1 and Day 8) gives us plenty of time to party and fellowship with one another. But the question lies, WHAT is the feast of tabernacles? Why do we celebrate it? What are we supposed to do?

Leviticus 23:33-43 " (33) And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, (34) Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the LORD. (35) On the first day shall be an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein. (36) Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein. (37) These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day: (38)

Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD. (39) Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath. (40) And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days. (41) And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month. (42) Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: (43) That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.”

Nehemiah 8:14-17 “(14) And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month: (15) And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth unto the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as it is written. (16) So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves booths, every one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim. (17) And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made booths, and sat under the booths: for since the days of Joshua the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel done so. And there was very great gladness.”

Here we see the ordinances of this feast day. For the feast of Tabernacles, we are supposed to dwell in booths/tents for seven days, and the first and eighth day would be sabbaths. In the time of our forefathers, we made tents from scratch. We used leaves and branches to create these tabernacles. Today we have tents readily available, so it isn't a necessity to do it in the fashion it was done back then. However, if you decide to do it the old-fashioned way, there is nothing wrong with that. This feast day is in remembrance of the time when YHWH proved and purged us in the wilderness for forty years. This was the time we were being tested and it was being proven whether we would obey the father. So, as we celebrate this day, as well as the other feast days, let us remember to always be in the spirit of righteousness. Striving toward righteousness in all things we do in regard to the heavenly father. **TN**



BY BROTHER AHYAL BAYAN

TESTIMONY

Hello congregation I first want to re-introduce myself, I've been away the last few years due to having a stroke that left me partially paralyzed, I want to thank you all for the many prayers you've sent up on my behalf I know the most high has heard them cause I'm still here. I was told by top notch doctors I was going to die, but the most high put his hands on the situation and guided me through, so I'm so thankful for you all. I was in the hospital for 9 months, and my brothers came to see me many times and little do they know those special times gave me strength to keep going. I want to talk about what drew me to the truth in the first place.

There were many things going on in our hoods, police shootings, kidnappings, etc., and so I really asked myself why do they hate us so much? I read many articles and books but nothing satisfied my question until I came across the truth whom 2 of my sons and there mom was already apart of and I started to get some of those answers. Like in psalms 83, and also found out we had been lied to about our lineage they told us we we're Africans but due to my new Hebrew family and books, I found out that was the biggest lie ever, basically all that I thought I knew crumbled.

At this point it's like who knows what else is a lie? So, it was time to come out of the world and relearn proper. So I moved from the bay area to Los Angeles area to join up with True Nation, a place where everything they taught me was backed up by the Most High's word, and the brotherhood was solid as a rock, so I committed to do all I could and soon became a part of a group of brothers that went out and taught on the street, so we loaded up in my vehicle and chose a spot



and headed out for the day, packed our drinks and lunch and did our best to win as many souls as possible.

One day I woke up and was having problems moving my left arm and walking. I should have rushed straight to the hospital, but you know Jakes, my mentality was "I will be alright" and went to work. So I was driving and something didn't feel right, I was trying to pull over and stop but before I could, I drifted into the lane to my right and had an accident. After that I was dazed and confused my head hit the windshield and broke it. I immediately video called my mom, and she said son you don't look right you need to go to the hospital. I called sister Manachaa and asked her if she could come get me, she has always been one of my best friends despite me being a horrible husband in the world. She took me to the hospital, and we waited to be seen about an hour or so, then finally got a room.

After checking me and seeing I had a massive stroke doctors decided to transfer me, so they sent me to UC Irvine to see a specialist. I was unconscious about 2 days, when I came to, I had went through brain surgery and doctors removed part of my skull to release the pressure and clean the blood. They also put a trachea in my throat (a tube to help me breath) a tube in my stomach to feed me, that was only way I could eat. I sat in that hospital bed 9 months, many friends and family came to see me that made so much of a difference. The whole time I could not drink anything, the brothers came to see me one day and it looked like a complete hospital take over. Yatab fed me ice chips, I still love that brother for that. That was the best thing I had in months.

I had much time to reflect on my life and the way I was moving that I feel now I'm living with the Most High's judgment. I was always a handsome guy who did not understand the scriptures and I had many women that I know I should have made wives, but I would move on. So now looking back reflecting, we think we really be doing something but all we are doing is getting caught up in sin, now I'm sickly because I'm still paralyzed on my left and alone. Having a wife to be here going through this with me would be a thousand times better. Please don't think you're getting away with anything cause it doesn't last, and take care of your health Israel. There are things in our DNA that can be controlled if we stay on top of it, this didn't have to happen to me. I love you all, continue to pray for me please. **TN**

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