

Yahweh's Mind on Feeding Vagrants, a.k.a. "The Homeless"

(When quoting scriptures, from the Rotherham Emphasized Bible New Testament, I will substitute the Hebrew words Yahoshua (yeh-ho-shoo'- ah) for Jesus, Yahweh and Elohim for God and the LORD and ruah for pneuma (spirit).)

The difference between a poor person and a vagrant is the vagrant will turn down work. T. S. Eliot once stated, "Most of the evil in this world is done by people with good intentions." His statement is extreme but it harbors the truth that many times we do more harm to an individual by becoming his enabler rather than offering him deliverance. Yahweh's Word is life to all those who hear and do it! If Yahweh forbids us from feeding vagrants, then we are in rebellion if we disobey his command. Rather than receiving a reward for our, "Acts of (so-called) Charity," our deeds, at the judgment, seat will be consumed by fire, thereby we will suffer loss. We can feel good giving a vagrant a handout, performing our good deed for the day, but Yahweh rebukes such actions if the person refuses to work. This article does not address people who are poor but rather it addresses the people who the World now call, "The Homeless."

"Alas! for them, Who call evil good, and good evil,—Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness, Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter" (Is. 5:20). The world is known for changing words (truth to error) to fit their demonic agenda; putting lipstick on a pig; Sodomy becomes 'Gay;' Adultery becomes 'An Affair;' Abortion becomes a 'Woman's right to Choose;' Stealing becomes 'Taxing the Rich' and Vagrants become the 'Homeless.' Vagrant is defined as a person without a settled home or regular work who wanders from place to place and lives by begging. Paul told us, "Nor, as a free-gift, did [we] eat, bread, from anyone, but, with toil and hardship, night and day, working,—that we might not burden any of you; —Not because we have not authority, but that, ourselves, as an ensample, we might hold forth unto you,—to the end ye might be imitating us. For, even when we were with you, this, were we giving in charge unto you,—that, if any will not work, neither let him eat! We hear, in fact, of some who are walking among you in a disorderly way, at nothing, working, yet too busily working! Now, such as these, we charge and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ,—that, with quietness, working, their own bread, they be eating" (2 Thes. 3:8-12). The vagrant holding a sign, which states, "Homeless," is not soliciting a job but rather a handout. The poor person's sign reads, "Looking for Work!"

Hunger is never the issue. I am hungry all day, each day. A 200 pound obese adolescent is hungry after every meal. Billboard's sophistry tears at our hearts by loudly proclaiming, "4 out of 5 children go to bed hungry everyday." 4 out of 5 adults go to bed hungry each night but this statement misses the Charity mark. The measurement should never be hunger, which is a joke but rather starvation, which is a severe deficiency in caloric energy intake to maintain human life. People in the U.S.A. do not have this problem (a lack of food) but

they do have a problem with obesity (the condition of being grossly fat or overweight), especially the poor.

Yahweh did not feed the Hebrews in the wilderness by gathering and cooking their food, as soup kitchens do but rather he gave them manna which they had to work for each morning. If they slept in, they did not eat because the manna would melt.¹ Yahoshua did not feed the multitudes more than one meal, after they listened to his teachings. In the Gospel of John, Yahoshua taught the people, feeding them once. The multitudes, on another day, came again to him hoping to receive a handout but, "Yahoshua answered them, and said—Verily, verily, I say unto you: Ye seek me, not because ye saw signs, but because ye did eat of the loaves and were filled. Be working, not for the food that perisheth, but for the food that endureth unto life age-abiding,—which, the Son of Man, unto you, will give; for upon, the same, hath the Father, even Yahweh, set his seal" (Jn. 6:26-27).

Work is ordained by Yahweh. Exodus 20:9 states, "Six days, shalt thou labour, and do all thy work." Yahweh told Moses that the widows, sojourners and the fatherless were required to work, by stating, "When thou cuttest down thy harvest in thy field, and forgettest a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not turn back to fetch it, to the sojourner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, shall it belong,—that Yahweh thy God, may bless thee, in all the work of thy hands. When thou beatest thine olive-tree, thou shalt not glean after thee,—to the sojourner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, shall it belong. When thou cuttest off the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not go about picking after thee,—to the sojourner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, shall it belong: so shalt thou remember that, a servant, becamest thou in the land of Egypt,—therefore, am I commending thee to do this thing" (Deu. 24:19-22). The indigent were required to gather, grind, cook etc. the food of the fields, while those who had fields were commanded to leave some food in the fields. Ruth was not a vagrant but a poor daughter of Yahweh who went to work each day for her food! Boaz did not have a soup kitchen for vagrants but obeyed Yahweh by leaving food in his fields.

In Wichita, Ks. the Catholic Diocese of Wichita started, 'The Lord's Diner,' which feeds anybody to comes to their door. Let us examine how the word, 'hunger,' is used in their website. Their website states the following, "To recognize Christ, to love one another, to share life, in the breaking of the bread." The Lord's Diner exists to combat hunger in the community. The Diner's singular mission is to serve a nutritious meal with dignity and respect to anyone who is hungry. The Lord's Diner serves an evening meal 365 days a year. A small paid staff, assisted by more than 6,000 volunteers representing many faiths and denominations prepare and serve a hot, nutritious meal in a spirit of compassion, respect and loving service. The Lord's Diner is currently serving an average of 2,500 meals nightly at two dining facilities (one in downtown Wichita, and one in south Wichita)

¹ Ex. 16 & Num. 11

and two food trucks (one in northwest Wichita, and one in southeast Wichita), to any guest who needs a nutritious meal - 60 percent of which are families. Fight Hunger, Spark Change. 'Fight Hunger,' is the new mantra even though the majority of the people being fed are obese.

The Lord's Diner has a paved parking lot for the vagrants who drive up in their automobiles to get a free meal. Bible sermons (Words of life) are not required to be heard before one eats and the vagrants are not required to help cook or clean up after their free meal! The world celebrates their actions because the Word of Life is not taught; no job applications are required to be filled out and no work is required to eat. If these three conditions were placed upon the 2,500 people, only the poor would show up, leaving the vagrants to find another free meal somewhere else. (Why not offer a \$5 bill each night and see how many vagrants will show up.) The world would denounce The Lord's Diner for instituting these conditions. The Lord's Diner celebrates the number of people who come rather than the number declining because the poor are now working, no longer need assistance.

The Lord's Diner, by setting no stipulations on the partakers of their meals is enabling people to live in and practice sin by breaking Yahweh's commandments of working. We must remember that Yahweh uses drought to get peoples attention who are living in sin; for example the 3 1/2 year drought of Elijah and Ahab. If Yahweh is withholding rain because of the sins of the people and the Church manufactures water to give to those who are displeasing Yahweh, then Yahweh's purpose is negated. The Church becomes Yahweh's enemy by undoing his correction. The Church is enabling vagrants to maintain their vagrancy, which is breaking Ephesians 4:28; "Let, the stealer, no more, steal, but rather let him be toiling,—working with his hands the thing that is good, that he may have wherewith to be giving away to him that hath need."

Yahweh does not force people to work. If they decide not to work, then they will receive the consequence of their behavior, which will be death, either by the elements, malnutrition, violence, disease or countless other ways to die. If the person gets hungry enough then he will be motivated to work, providing for his own necessities. If he refuses to work then he will be committing suicide, which is his choice. Unbelievers do this all the time by refusing to bow to Yahweh's will, which will result in their own destruction. Christ said in Matthew 10:14-15, "And, whosoever shall neither welcome you, nor hear your words, as ye go forth outside that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet: Verily, I say unto you,—More tolerable, will it be, for the land of Sodom and Gomorrhah in the day of judgment, than for, that, city!" Today, the Christian Church, after Yahweh's doctrine is rejected by the Unbeliever, gives that very city (Muslim, Jewish, Hindu etc.) money, food etc. contrary to Yahweh's very commandment. If a vagrant refuses a job, then we must do the same thing to him by shaking their dust off of our feet, thereby going to the next vagrant, offering him work and not food or cash!