A TOAST TO THE BRIDE AND GROOM ... THE FRUIT OF THE VINE

We as saints have a lot in common symbolically, with the fruit of the vine, grape wine.

Like a hardy seed or rootstock that is chosen, planted by the master of the vineyard, we too have a seed planted in us the moment we accept Yeshua into our lives, as our Messiah.

Like a grape vine branch is grafted into a hardy root stock, we too as "People Of



The Way" (ex-gentiles), have been grafted into the Jewish trunk of our Elder brothers and sisters in Yeshua.

As the seed or stock of a grape vine is planted in fertile soil, we too must be surrounded by fertile soil, grounded in the Word.

As important as the soil is to a grape plant, so too our fertile soil of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is important to support our roots and strengthen our foundation (Heyasod) in the soil.

As insects, weeds, and the thorns of life that destroy are removed from a new vineyard, we too must pull out the weeds (sin) in our lives, separating ourselves from the things that will slow, hinder, or even stagnate our growth.

As a new grape vine endures the hardships of wind, sleet, snow, the heat of the sun, and unrelenting exposure to the elements of nature, we too are exposed to the trials and torment of life here in Satan's kingdom of mammon.

As a thriving grape vine is nourished, and grows up from the soil of the earth, we too must mature and learn, grow up, by learning the Word of the Torah in our Torah Community of Believers.

Before a seed or rootstock is planted by the owner of the vineyard, it must be chosen, picked out, and paid for by it's master. We too have been chosen, called out, paid for by our Rabbi Yeshua. Hand picked and planted on Holy Ground.

As grape vines grow they are pruned to grow in the direction the vineyard owner has in mind along the trellis, we too are directed, guided, steered, and pruned on our saintly pilgrimage by our Master.

When the grapes are aged and ripe they are carefully hand picked, washed, separated, (set-apart), crushed, pierced, and broken, so then can be used to produce the finest juice, we too are hand picked (moulded), washed in the blood, peculiar (separate from the world), pierced, as Yeshua was at Calvary, by the trials and tribulations of life.

Like the grape gives itself up to be used to make wine, we too must die to ourselves in order to be "born again", regenerated, and used in a different form.

As the juice of grapes has ingredients added to it, yeast, and sugar, it becomes active, and changes from a simple juice to a beautiful tantalizing drink, we too must become active ingredients, working out our natural sin so as to ferment into beautiful wine.

As the ingredients mixed together to produce wine clash with each other and turn into something different in nature, we ask too Father that Your Spirit within us clashes with our old nature to produce something beautiful, refined and tested, with all the yeast flavor (sin) removed.

As wine is left in a secondary fermentor so that the natural mulch and impurities fall and settle to the bottom where they can be syphoned off, we too must have our impurities settled, dealt with, so the finest purist part of the juice can rise up and be exposed to the world.

Then as any great wine is aged to maturity to present its best possible look, smell, bouquet, and flavor, we too must mature in the word, and grow in the wisdom of the word so that we are flavourful, acceptable, and presentable, set-apart.

Our wine (the fruit of our labor) must be presentable as the finest to toast the Groom, The King Of Kings, at the wedding supper of the lamb.

As wine, the fruit of the vine, is representative of Yeshua's blood, the words that come out of our mouth too, represent the Most High, as we are ambassadors of Yahveh.

We symbolically present ourselves before you as the fruit of Your vine.

Similar to the label on a bottle of saved fine wine, we too are to be labeled peculiar, holy, and loving.

As the label on a fine bottle of wine identifies its contents, we hope too Father that we are labeled, marked, sealed by Your Holy Spirit. Identifiable as heirs to the Kingdom Of Elohim.

We hope Father that as the label on a bottle of special wine identifies its contents, we too are identifiable as Holy, loving, wise, compassionate, merciful and righteous, to all those around us. Different from the world. We hope Father that we portray Your agape love, selfless, uncompromising, and sustainable.

As each bottle is filled to the top Abba, we ask that you continue to fill us to overflowing with Your Ruach HaKodesh. And as our bottle empties, we ask that You continue to fill us.

As the contents of a fine bottle of wine are special, we too Father hope that we are special in all aspects of our Holy pilgrimage. Let what is inside us, in our inner most, like that of the wine bottle, truly portray the love of our soul and spirit, special in every way.

RAISE YOUR GLASSES.....A TOAST

As Yeshua's first miracle was water turned to wine at a wedding, may you continue to work miracles in the lives of Your two children being wed here today. May you especially bless Your children, _____and

with happiness, prosperity, boldness, love, and

all the gifts of Your Spirit.

"Y'varekh'khah Adonai v yishm rekhah. Ya'er Adonai panav elekhah veekhunekhah. Yeesah Adonai panav elekhah, v'yahsaym l"khah shalom." "Yahveh bless you & keep you. Yahveh make His face to shine upon you & be gracious unto you. Yahveh lift up His face upon you & give you peace".) Num. 6:22-26 (Aaronic Blessing) (Mar 27/16) Jerry Hennig