Tiny Timbers

To kindle means to light a fire, inspire and awaken. It is to become impassioned through stories and testimonies. Such a blaze causes us to feel again, to be revived until we burn hotly and pursue WHO we love with all we are. Kindling's flames purify, stir zeal and make way for our offerings and drawing near. This scorch and sear is the coal that touched Isaiah's lips, removing guilt and sealed his sending. This is the fiery torch that dissolves idols and reveals God's presence in every expression of the burning bush and pillar of fire, everywhere.

In the Morning Tea Podcast of 1/7/2025, we shared about long standing wars being revealed in our day, not just among us, but within us. In MTP of 1/14/2025, we continued that thread with an invitation to look and see if we had debris to be removed or pruned from within us, so we don't add fuel to the false fire of war. The debris are things we don't bring to Elohim as an offering, such as opinion, fear, doubt, shame, anger, frustration, etc.

As we go through pruning and paring, tiny timbers tumble, but don't fall void. Elohim wastes nothing!

These clips and cuts become our kindling, the tinder for the altar of our Temple. They allow us, invite us to keep the fire full.

- ^ Build the lantern and consider something that has been pruned that can become your timber.
- ^ What is rousing and readying in you, kindling, that is meant to make its way to the world?! It might be something long forgotten or something completely new. Share with those at your table about what is stirring, coming alive, becoming a flame in you, and what pruning is providing the timber for the fire.

PitcHed Tents

In a recent Rosh Chodesh gathering, the invitation came (from the heart of Ayita) for us to pitch tents for others, to offer place and space for others to meet with God, encounter the fullness of Who He wants to be, for them.

This took me to a portion of the story of Moses and the Israelites. After the mess and miss of the Golden Calf, the Lord came and reminded the people they were still meant to possess HIS promises. HIS presence among them would be different though, and they mourned this, which was a beautiful response. It led them to remove all they had gotten and made for themselves, so they could adorn HIM.

Moses took a giant leap towards restoration and initiated a very determined effort to seek God, to be present with HIM. Still carrying the invitation given on Mt. Sinai, to build a Tabernacle, Moses chose to pitch a tent until the construction could begin and complete. He took extraordinary measures not only to seek God, but to make a way for others to meet HIM too.

The people were meant to be a sanctuary city, but Moses radically pitched the tent outside the camp. I think he wanted to kindle their desire towards what was so openly offered. He called the canopy The Tent of Meeting.

It wasn't called that simply because Moses named it such, but because the Lord met Moses there. When the Lord talked with Moses, all the people rose and worshipped. The personal revival of Moses was an example to the entire nation. Moses was determined to have HIS presence fully with them again. He couldn't live without the more and most and didn't want the people to either. He wanted them all to know a life of with-ness. That will witness!

Moses didn't pitch the tent once, but continually. Every day he pitched and offered each and every, a personal encounter with God. A bridal tent where they could all share in intimacy with God and one another.

- ^ Pitch and decorate the tent provided
- ^ Ask Elohim to highlight a person or people that need a tent pitched so they can experience THEM.
- ``What does it mean to you to host the Presence of God? What does it mean to you to offer it to others? Share with your table mates!

For when you are Home:

I saw God before me for all time. Nothing can shake me; he's right by my side.I'm glad from the inside out, ecstatic; I've pitched my tent in the land of hope. Acts 2:25-26

Contentment is a place where we are satisfied with all Elohim did today and house the expectancy of what THEY will do tomorrow, and the day after that. We dwell in contentment when we begin each day satisfied with where we are, knowing our lines are drawn in pleasant places.

In contentment, we know that THEY are working everything together for our good. We can't see the whole picture, but are satisfied with all that is unfolding right now. The enemy will try to pull at the thread of contentment until it completely unravels and we are discontented and disappointed. Until we no longer have the sigh of satisfy for that day.

Contentment allows us to be reconciled to ELOHIM's desires for us. It reconciles us to the place where our desires are the same, and we trust THEM with every desire and dream.

Contentment is what causes us to enjoy, delight in what Elohim has done for us today, each day. Without that delight, we will become dissatisfied, disappointed and discouraged.

Contentment calls us, in each moment, to enjoy the truth that there is more to come. Elohim wants us to ache for the yet-to-be. When we delight in all that has been given today, the ache does not become pain.

Ask the Lord to reveal any place the enemy has pulled at your contentment. Any way your tent is not pitched in the land of hope, the satisfy of Who God is today. Have you been trying to "redraw" your lines to where you want to be or think you should be, instead of where you're perfectly placed for all the provision and promises Heaven holds for you? Ask Elohim to recalibrate you, to restore your supply lines (you will get to repent - yay!!) so you can begin to delight with THEM again, right where you are!

Ask Elohim to reveal your home to you, as a bridal chamber, a sacred space to host THEM and be hosted in the presence. How can you offer that chamber to others?

Tablets

Then Adonai answered me; He said, "Write down the vision clearly on tablets, so that even a runner can read it. For the vision is meant for its appointed time; it speaks of the end, and it does not lie. It may take a while, but wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Habakkuk 2:2-3

The idea of creating a tablet has been bumping around in me for a bit. There is a very real fire burning inside, for us to make tangible and visible the words, encounters and experiences we have with Elohim. To keep them kindled. That we might be THEIR living hope, because we let each and every thing of THEM live in us. Because we tend to the life in it all.

Over the past months there have been numerous variations and lots of ideas. The ones below settled sweetly and so I invite you to keep watch of them, for they will surely come.

Your table is full of supplies for this adventure!

- 1. There is a copy of the Habakkuk 2 passage. Paste that to the outside front cover of your tablet.
- 2. Take two magnetic pages and secure one to the

inside front cover and one to the inside back cover. There are magnetic labels and a dry erase pen. The heart of this portion is that you could write your covenants of the week on a label and then carry those covenants (in the tablet) for a season, until they have unfolded fully. Once your first set has opened for you, erase and add your coming covenants.

- 3. What word or phrase did Elohim give you for 2025 or 5785? Make a vision board for it on one of the pages. If you don't have a word yet, ask now!
- 4. Fields are places we meet the Lord, to receive provision, revelation and navigation in praying for a person or a situation (cancer, crime, trafficking, government, etc.) that have been highlighted to us. We are in a crucial time tending these terrains! The harvest is plentiful and the harvesters are few. We can turn this tide by faithfully following our God into our fields and receiving the abundance there is for them. Consider one field you have been trusted to tend. With the stamping supplies provided, detail the terrain of that field as it is today. It's really okay if in doing this, you realize you may have stepped

out of the field and it needs some care. No worries, you get to enter in now, and on the other side of the page you will describe the terrain as it will be after your cultivation. My hope is that as you continue your tablet, you will add all the other fields you are tending in the same way.

5. Many of us have received a prophetic word at some point in our journey. It may be directly from Elohim to our heart or one that a person has passed to us. Too often we look about us and wonder what happened to that word, or if it fell void. THEIR words never do! Words start as seeds. When we receive, or plant them, we then start the journey to their fulfillment. These seeds need daily bread in order to sprout and blossom. Sometimes they need pruning as we discover we may have added to or taken away from them in an effort to see their surplus. Consider a "word" you've been given. If you don't feel certain you have a word that is living in you right now, ask those at your table to ask Elohim for a seed for you. Choose a map for one of the pages of your tablet. Invite Elohim to show you where the word is right now and add that location to your map with any of the supplies provided. Now ask for navigation. What does this word need? Daily bread, pruning, the recall of testimonies (what has already come to pass?)

What are the hindrances to the word coming full in you, for you and through you?

Each of you have a journal to go with your tablet. This will be a space for your covenant of the week to unfold, making a vision for the year (or a day) more clear, for field notes you find while tending terrains, for mapping the words Elohim gives you and the much more I haven't thought of. I hope one day I will see you and you'll tell me your tablets are full, that you have hung them so the "runner" can read them, that the wait was worth it and the beauty and bounty of all that surely came.

Note:

Right before Winter Tea, a Jeep commercial was released. The spokesperson featured was Harrison Ford. In it, he described his "owner's manual" and invited those watching to write theirs too. He had a great quote, "Pride is a terrible driver." Preach Harrison!! Sorry, slight digression. I began seeing our tablets as an "owner's manual" filled with ways we've chosen to live fully and freely, with what we will tend, grow and harvest for the all that means ALL. Then one day, I was looking at mine and let go of the bottom. Suddenly it looked like a growth chart. From its origin, I've seen each page as a map. All that to say, let Elohim reveal what this is meant to be for you!