

and pursue tzedek, emunah, ahavah, and shalom with the ones calling on Adoneinu out of a lev tahor.

|23| But speculations characterized by narrishkait and lacking da'as--such refuse, knowing that they produce fights.

|24| And an eved Hashem ought not be a Ba'al Machlokes (quarrelsome person), but ought to be eidel (gentle, courteous) to all, a skilled rabbinic moreh, savlan (patient),

|25| Correcting the mitnaggedim (opponents) in anavat ruach (a spirit of meekness), in the tikvah that Hashem may efsheh (perhaps) grant them teshuva, resulting in da'as HaEmes,

|26| And that they may come to their senses, escaping the pakh (trap) of Hasatan, after having been captured by him to do his will.

3 But of this have da'as, that in the acharit hayamim there will be terrible times,

|2| For Bnei Adam will be in love with self, ohavei kesef (lovers of money), ga'avtanim (proud boasters), speakers of lashon hora, disobedient to horim (parents), without hakarat todah (gratitude), without kedushah,

|3| Without ahavah, unforgiving and irreconcilable, without shlitah atzmi (self-control), bestial, son'ei HaTov (haters of the Good),

|4| Treacherous, reckless, conceited, ohavei ta'anugot (lovers of pleasures) rather than ohavei Hashem,

|5| Having an outward form of chasidus but the ko'ach having denied. Turn away from these.

|6| For of such are the morim entering into homes and capturing weak-willed nashim

laden with chatta'im, led away by various ta'avot,

|7| Always learning but never being able to come to da'as HaEmes.

|8| As Jannes and Jambres opposed Moshe Rabbeinu, so also these oppose HaEmes.

These men have been corrupted in their mind and are failures with respect to the emunah [*of Moshiach, Yd 1:3*],

|9| But they will not proceed very far, for the sichlut (folly, stupidity) of them will likewise become conspicuous to all.

|10| But you closely followed my torah, my halichah, my tachlis, my emunah, my zitzfleisch (patience), my ahavah, my endurance,

|11| The redifot (persecutions) and Messianic yissurim (sufferings) which happened to me in Antioch, in Iconium, in Lystra, what kind of redifot I endured. And out of all Adoneinu rescued me.

|12| Also all the ones wanting to live as chasidim in Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach

Yehoshua will be persecuted,

|13| But anashim ra'im and impostors will progress to their abysmal worst, misleading and being misled.

|14| But, you, remain in the shiurim you learned, and the things you were convinced of, knowing under which rabbi you sat,

|15| And that from infancy you have known the Kitvei HaKodesh, which are able to make you chocham with a view to Yeshu'at Eloheynu through emunah in Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach Yehoshua.

|16| The entire Kitvei HaKodesh is Hashem-breathed and useful for hora'ah (teaching), for reproof, for correction, for training in tzedek,

|17| That the ish haElohim may be proficient, having

been equipped for every one of the ma'asim mitzvot.

4 I solemnly charge you before Hashem and Moshiach Yehoshua, the imminent Shofet of the living and dead, and by the Bi'as HaMoshiach and His Malchut:

|2| Attend to the hatafah (preaching) of the Dvar Hashem. Be ready in season, out of season, expose, rebuke, encourage, with all long suffering and hora'ah (teaching).

|3| For there will be a time when sound charedi (orthodox) hora'ah they will not tolerate, but according to their ta'avot they will accumulate morim to tickle their ears.

|4| And from HaEmes of Hashem they will turn their ear away shmad and to aggadah they will be turned aside.

|5| But, you, exercise shlitah atzmi (self-control) in all things, suffer hardship, do the work of a mevasser of the Besuras HaGeulah, fully carry out your avodas kodesh ministry of kiruv rechokim (bringing near the far away ones).

|6| For already I am being poured out, and the time of my avekfor (departure, *see Pp 1:23*) has come.

|7| The milchemet tzedek (war of righteousness) I have fought, the course I have finished, the emunah [*Yd 1:3*] I have been shomer over.

|8| Henceforth, there is laid up for me the keter hatzedakah (crown of righteousness) which Adoneinu, the Shofet Tzedek, will give to me in HaYom HaHu, and not only to me, but also to all the ones who are ohavei Bi'as HaMoshiach.