

The Lord's Trading Post

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A weary traveler am I, walking on a lonely dirt road with no food or water,
Then just up ahead I see what looks like a country store and as I walked closer
I could see a sign that read, The Lord's Trading Post All Are Welcome, come on
in.

I decided to check it out and see if I could get some food and water, as I entered the trading post I could see all kinds of knick- knacks hanging on the walls and ceiling. There were brass pans and carved acacia wood, there were fishing poles and big wooden barrels full of food and household goods. I saw pictures of covered wagons and old western paintings, there were tools and arts and crafts. I have to say the place smelled heavenly. Then a kind man walked over to me and said,

“Peace be with you brother how can I help you?”

And when I looked into his eyes I suddenly felt a sense of complete peace and rest. I asked him if I could have something to eat and if I could have some water and the man handed me a wooden cup and a piece of bread and said,

“Here is some cool water, but I can offer you living water. Here is a piece of bread but I can offer you the Bread of Life.”

Then he asked, “What do want to trade with me?”

I told the man that I didn’t have anything to trade and that I only had a few dollars in my pocket. He looked at me and smiled and said,

“You have a great deal that you could trade with me. Now let’s go sit down and let’s get to trading, what do you say my young friend?”

I followed the man to a back room the curtains in the room were made of fine purple held up by golden hoops and hanging in the corner of the room was a white robe with golden pomegranates on the edges. There was a golden Menorah with loaves of bread on a golden table and there was wonderful smelling incense burning from yet another golden table. The man put His robe on and washed his hands then he sat down next to me and said,

I’m going to ask you a series of questions and you decide if you want to trade with me, Ok?”

“Ok, sounds good to me.”

“Would you like to trade your pride for humility?”

At first I thought this man was fooling around with me then He revealed Himself to me and I fell to my knees with tears in my eyes and said, "Yes Lord."

"Good, would you like to trade your selfishness for compassion and thoughtfulness?"

"Yes Lord."

"Very good, would you like to trade your lust for true love?"

At this point I began to cry harder as I bowed my head and said, "Yes Lord."

"Very good, would like to trade your fears for faith." "Yes Lord."

"Do you want to trade despair for hope?" "Yes Lord."

"Good, very good, do you want to trade impatience for patience?"
I raised my head and said, "Yes Lord."

"Do you want to trade your old sinful self for a new creation of righteousness?"

I stood up and said, "yes Lord, I confess that I am a sinner in need of a Savior."

Then the Lord placed His hand on my head and asked me one last question,
Are you ready to truly accept Me into your life.

I fell to my knees once again as I wept and said, "Yes, I love You Lord."

The Lord Christ Yeshua is willing to trade our old sinful self for a new creation in Christ Yeshua for the glory of God... Amen John 14:27

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ they are a new creation, old things have passed away behold all things have become new...Amen