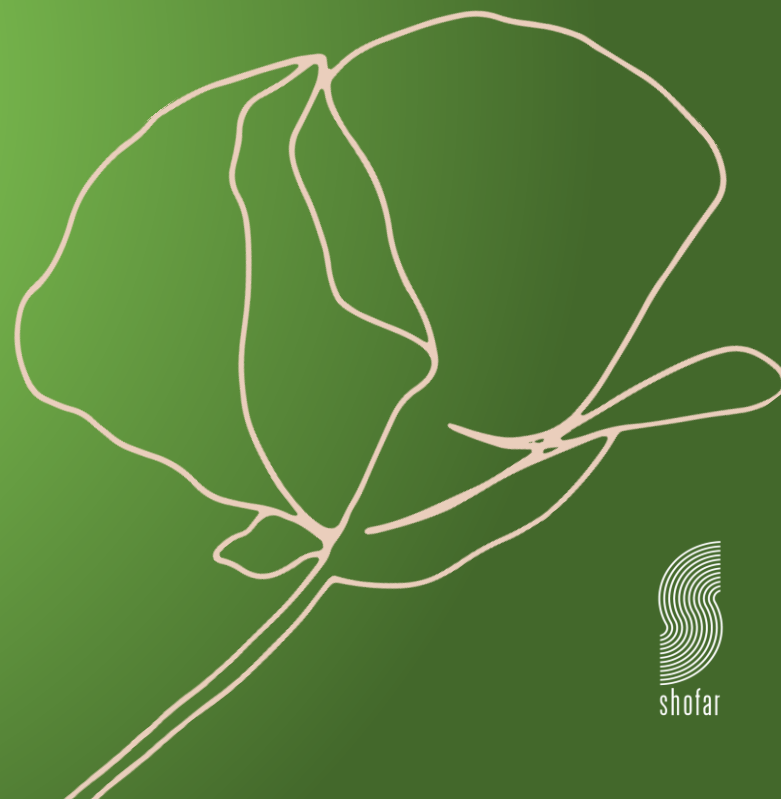




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TRUSTING for NEW LIFE





Revival

Renewal (NEW LIFE)

Awakening

A returning to LIFE

Recovery of LIFE and strength

DICTIONARY MEANING:

1. Improvement of condition / strength
 2. Something becoming **active** and **important again**
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**REPENTENCE ALWAYS
PRECEDES REVIVAL**





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Season of Te'shuva : "SHUV" = TURN

REPENTENCE

RETURNING TO GOD

CLEANING OUT SPIRITUAL HOUSE



- **Te'shuvah** is a sort of death and rebirth: **death of the old life** and the **BIRTH OF NEW LIFE** and a new creation (2 Cor.5:17).
- It is an **AWAKENING** from the sleep induced by sin, and manifests itself as the power of the Holy Spirit working in the heart of the believer.
Therefore the Ruach HaKodesh gives us **SPIRITUAL LIFE** that enables us to be "conformed" with Jesus' purpose in this world (Rom. 8:28-30).

WHAT HINDERS NEW LIFE?



dead religion
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lawlessless

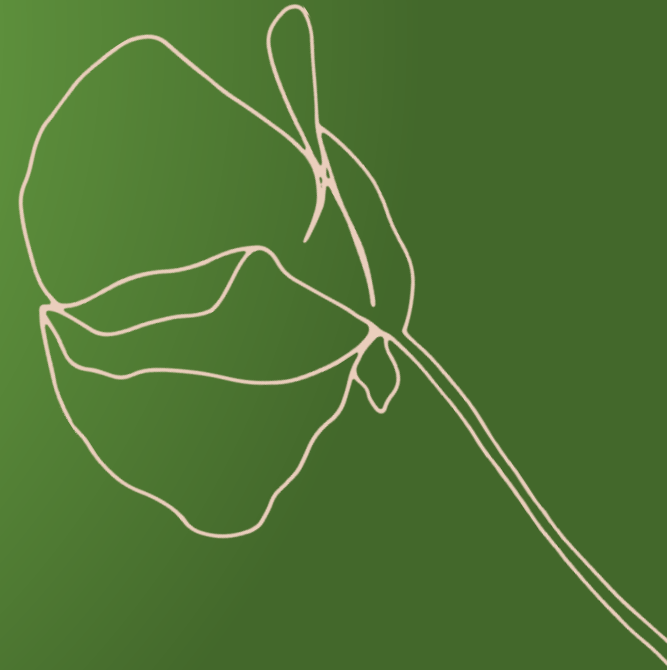


GOD IS CALLING HIS
CHURCH BACK TO :



first LOVE

first WORKS






“A church has no reason for being a church
when she has no love within her heart, or
when that love grows cold. Lose love, lose all.”

Charles Spurgeon





“I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; 3 and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name’s sake and have not become weary. 4 Nevertheless I have this against you, that **you have left your first love.**

5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.

Revelation 2:2-5 NKJV



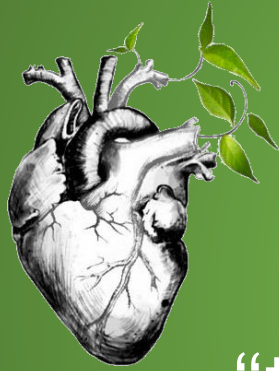


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Revelation 2:7 NKJV



PARADISE:



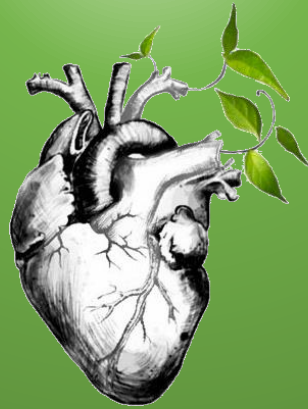
“a garden of delight”
“the place where God lives”

WHERE GOD IS, THERE IS PARADISE!





CONTEND FOR SACRED SPACE WITH GOD







GENESIS 2 : Life in God's Garden

8 The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed. 9 And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. **The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.**

15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep (guard) it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17 **but of the but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.**"





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Revelation 2:7 NKJV

““Are your ears awake? Listen. Listen to the Wind Words, the Spirit blowing through the churches. I’m about to call each conqueror to dinner. I’m spreading a banquet of Tree-of-Life fruit, a supper plucked from God’s orchard.”

Revelation 2:7 MSG






we have a choice...

TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL
(which leads to spiritual death and cold love)

VS


TREE OF LIFE which is the SPIRIT OF LIFE






“ Keep your heart with all diligence,
For out of it spring the issues of life.”
Proverbs 4:23

“So search your hearts every day, my brothers and sisters, and make sure
that none of you has **evil** or **unbelief** hiding within you. For **it will lead you**
astray, and make you **unresponsive to the living God.**”
Hebrews 3:12



“The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked;
Who can know it? I, the LORD, search the heart,
I test the mind...”
Jeremiah 17:9-10a





“For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [the immortal] spirit, and of joints and marrow [of the deepest parts of our nature], exposing and sifting and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart. (And not a creature exists that is concealed from His sight, but all things are open and exposed, naked and defenseless to the eyes of Him with Whom we have to do”
Hebrews 4:12-13 AMPC



HOW DO WE CONTEND FOR INTIMACY, FIRST LOVE & NEW LIFE?

1. Repentance
2. Let the word dissect our hearts / lives
3. Trust God – let God be God
4. Obedience: first works

