

If you could take a selfie of your soul, would it be attractive enough to post?



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- 2 Timothy 3:1-4

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2150. Eusebeia: godliness, holiness. From Eusebes; piety; specially, the gospel scheme -- godliness, holiness.

720 Arnéomai: properly, deny (refuse); hence, contradict, refuse to affirm or to confess (identify with); disown (repudiate).

1411. Dunamis: ability, power, strength. From dunamai; force (literally or figuratively); specially, miraculous power (usually by implication, a miracle itself) -- ability, abundance, meaning, might(-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle(-s), power, strength, violence, mighty (wonderful) work.

Jude 1:18 They said to you, "In the last days there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly (**763 Asébeia**) lusts (**1939 Epithymía**).

Strong's: 763 Asébeia – properly, a lack of respect, showing itself in bold irreverence – i.e. refusing to give honor where honor is due.

Strong's: 1939 Epithymía, Passions, Desires." (from **1909 /Epí**, "focused on" and **2372 /Thymós**, "Passionate Desire") – properly, passion built on strong feelings (urges). These can be positive or negative, depending on whether the desire is inspired by Amunah (faith).

2 Timothy 3:6 For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions (**1939. Epithumia**: desire, lust (after). From Epithumeo; a longing (especially for what is forbidden).

Selfish(ness)

1). Betsa (Bet, Tsad, Ayin)

Bet: Tent, House, In, Floor Plan

Tsad: Wait, Snare, Journey, Chase, Hunt, Desire, Need

Ayin: To See, Experience, Watch, Know

1215. Betsa: covetousness, dishonest gain, lucre, profit. From batsa'; plunder; by extension, gain (usually unjust) -- covetousness, (dishonest) gain, lucre, profit.

2). Hhamad (Hheth, Mem, Dalet)

Hheth: Outside, Divide, Half, Tent Wall, Fence, Separation

Mem: Chaos, Mighty, Blood

Dalet: Tent Door, Pathway

2530. Hhamad: beauty, greatly beloved, covet, delectable thing, great delight, desire, lust, A primitive root; to delight in -- beauty, greatly beloved, covet, delectable thing, (X great) delight, desire, lust, (be) pleasant (thing), precious (thing).

3). Ayin (Ayin, Yod, Nun)

Ayin: To See, Experience, Watch, Know, Shade

Yod: Work, Throw, Worship, Work, Deed

Nun: Fish, Continue, Heir, Son, Seed, Life

5869. Ayin: affliction, outward appearance, before, think best, color, conceit, be content. Probably a primitive word; an eye (literally or figuratively); by analogy, a fountain (as the eye of the landscape) -- affliction, outward appearance, + before, + think best, colour, conceit, + be content, countenance, + displeasure, eye((-brow), (-d), -sight), face, + favour, look, (+ well), X me, open(-ly), + (not) please, presence, + regard, resemblance, sight, X thee, X them, + think, X us, well, X you(-rselves).

Philippians 2:3-4 Do nothing from selfishness (**2052. Eritheia**) or conceit (**2754. Kenodoxia**), but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

2052. Eritheia: contention, strife, rivalry, hence ambition. Ancient Greek uses **2052 /eritheía** ("mercenary self-seeking") of acting for one's *own gain*, regardless of the discord (strife) it causes. **2052 /eritheía** ("selfish ambition") places self-interest ahead of what *Yahuah* declares right, or what is good for others.

2754. Kenodoxia: 2754 *kenodoksía* – vainglorious, boastful, "a state of pride which is without basis or justification – 'empty pride, cheap pride, vain pride', used only in Phil 2:3. See 2755 (*kenodoksos*). 2755 *kenódoksos* (from 2756 /*kenós*, "empty" and 1391 /*dóksa*, "glory") – properly, empty glory, i.e. *self-deluded conceit* driven by personal "*delusions of grandeur*"; "groundless conceit" (A-S); boasting "where there is nothing to boast about; . . . empty pride or conceit, mere pretentiousness

James 3:14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth.

James 4:1-3 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your **Passions (1939.**

Epithumia: desire, lust (after), a longing (especially for what is forbidden) are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your **Passions.**

James 3:16 For where jealousy (**2205. zelos**) and selfishness (**2052. Eritheia**) exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

2205. Zelos: Emulation, Jealousy, Zeal. From Zeo; properly, heat, i.e. (figuratively) "Zeal" (in a favorable sense, ardor; in an unfavorable one, jealousy, as of a husband (figuratively, of God), or an enemy, malice) -- emulation, envy(-ing), fervent mind, indignation.

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Romans 12:1-2 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of Alahym, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, Qadosh (holy) and acceptable to Alahym, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of Alahym, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

John 5:44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only Alahym?

Mark 12:30 And you shall love Yahuah your Alahym with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

Mark 12:31 The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

Matthew 22:40 On these two (2) Commandments depend all the Turah (Law) and the Prophets."

1 John 4:19-21 We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love Alahym," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love Alahym whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves Alahym must also love his brother.

Matthew 5:1-48 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Baruk (Blessed) are the poor in ruach (spirit), for theirs is the kingdom of Shamym (Heaven). "Baruk (Blessed) are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. "Baruk (Blessed) are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ...

Matthew 7:1-29 "Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye. ...

John 3:16 "For Alahym so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:6-7 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Ruach (Spirit) is Ruach (spirit). Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be reborn from above.'

John 3:1-36 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Hebrews. This man came to Yahusha by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher from Alahym, for no one can do these signs that you do unless Alahym is with him." Yahusha answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is reborn from above he cannot see the kingdom of Alahym." Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be reborn when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Yahusha answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of Water and the Ruach (Spirit), he cannot enter the kingdom of Alahym. ...

1 John 2:1-29 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Yahusha HaMashiach the righteous one. He is the atonement for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of Alahym is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ...

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Adon (Lord), Adon (Lord),' will enter the kingdom of Shamym (heaven), but the one who does the will of my Father who is in Shamym (heaven). On that day many will say to me, 'Adon (Lord), Adon (Lord), did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your

name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of Torahlessness (lawlessness).’

Hebrews 12:6-7 For Yahuah disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” It is for discipline that you have to endure. Alahym is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?

Matthew 23:37 “O Yarusalym (Jerusalem), Yarusalym (Jerusalem), the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

Romans 12:16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

Proverbs 3:7 Be not wise in your own eyes; fear Yahuah, and turn away from evil.

Proverbs 26:12 Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.

Philippians 2:1-11 So if there is any encouragement in Mashiach, any comfort from love, any participation in the Ruach (Spirit), any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Yahusha HaMashiach, ...

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in Yahuah with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

Proverbs 26:5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes.

Proverbs 12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice.

Proverbs 26:16 The sluggard is wiser in his own eyes than seven (7) men who can answer sensibly.

Isaiah 5:21 Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, and shrewd in their own sight!

Galatians 6:3-4 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor.

Vanity

Habal (Hey, Bet, Lamed)

Hey: Look, Reveal, Breath, Window

Bet: Tent, House, In, Floor Plan

Lamed: Control, Teach, Yoke, Toward, Bind, Goad (provoke, drive, urge), Staff,

1891. Habal: be become, make vain. A primitive root; to be vain in act, word, or expectation; specifically to lead astray -- be (become, make) vain.

1892. Hebel: altogether, vain, vanity. Or (rarely in the abs.) Habel {hab-ale'}; from habal; emptiness or vanity; figuratively, something transitory and unsatisfactory; often used as an adverb -- X altogether, vain, vanity.

Proverbs 31:30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears Yahuah is to be praised.

Galatians 5:26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Ecclesiastes 2:11 Then I considered all that my hands had done and the toil I had expended in doing it, and behold, all was vanity and a striving after wind, and there was nothing to be gained under the sun.

Psalms 119:37 Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways

Ecclesiastes 5:10 He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

Ecclesiastes 4:4 Then I saw that all toil and all skill in work come from a man's envy of his neighbor. This also is vanity and a striving after breath (ruach).

1 Samuel 16:7 But Yahuah said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For Yahuah sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but Yahuah looks on the heart."

Ecclesiastes 2:26 For to the one who pleases him, Yahuah has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases Yahuah. This also is vanity and a striving after breath (ruach).

1 Timothy 4:8 For while bodily training is of some value, righteousness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.

Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of Yahuah, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Ecclesiastes 6:2 A man to whom Yahuah gives wealth, possessions, and honor, so that he lacks nothing of all that he desires, yet Yahuah does not give him power to enjoy them, but a stranger enjoys them. This is vanity; it is a grievous evil.

Jeremiah 4:30 And you, O desolate one, what do you mean that you dress in scarlet, that you adorn yourself with ornaments of gold, that you enlarge your eyes with paint? In vain you beautify yourself. Your lovers despise you; they seek your life.

Hebrews 13:5 Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Galatians 5:16-26 But I say, walk by the Ruach (Spirit), and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Ruach (Spirit), and the desires of the Ruach (Spirit) are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Ruach (Spirit), you are not under the Turah (law). Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ...

Ecclesiastes 2:1 I said in my heart, "Come now, I will test you with pleasure; enjoy yourself." But behold, this also was vanity.

Ecclesiastes 2:21 Because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

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James 4:16 As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

Proverbs 27:1 Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through Amunah (faith). And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of Yahuah, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

1 Corinthians 13:4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant

Proverbs 27:2 Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips.

James 4:6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "Yahuah opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty ruach (spirit) before a fall.

James 3:14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth.

Jeremiah 9:23-24 Thus says Yahuah: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares Yahuah."

Self Righteous

Luke 18:9-14 Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: "Two (2) men went up to the temple to pray, one (1) a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'Alahym, I thank You that I am not like other men— extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I

possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'Alahym, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Matthew 6:1-34 "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in Shamym (heaven). "Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

Revelation 3:17-19 Because you say, "I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing"—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked— I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, *that* the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent.

Romans 10:2-3 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for Alahym, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of Alahym's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of Alahym.

Ecclesiastes 7:15-20 I have seen everything in my days of vanity: There is a just *man* who perishes in his righteousness, And there is a wicked *man* who prolongs *life* in his wickedness. Do not be overly righteous, Nor be overly wise: Why should you destroy yourself? Do not be overly wicked, Nor be foolish: Why should you die before your time? *It is* good that you grasp this, And also not remove your hand from the other; For he who fears Alahym will escape them all. Wisdom strengthens the wise More than ten (10) rulers of the city. For *there is* not a just man on earth who does good And does not sin.

Matthew 23:25-26 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of extortion and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also.

1 Corinthians 10:12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall.

2 Corinthians 10:12 For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

Isaiah 64:6 But we are all like an unclean *thing*, And all our righteousnesses *are* like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away.

Modesty

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Ruach HaQodesh within you, whom you have from Alahym? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify Alahym in your body.

1 Peter 3:1-4 Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct. Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet ruach (spirit), which in Yahuah's sight is very precious.

Proverbs 31:30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears Yahuah is to be praised.

Proverbs 11:22 Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman without discretion.

1 John 2:16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world.

Matthew 5:27-28 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

1 Corinthians 12:23 And on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty,

Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of Alahym, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, Qadosh (Holy) and acceptable to Alahym, which is your Spiritual Worship.

1 Timothy 2:8-10 I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting Qadosh (holy) hands without anger or quarreling; likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.

Humble Yourself

Psalms 25:9 He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

1 Peter 5:5 Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for “Alahym opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

James 4:6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “Alahym opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

Matthew 18:3-4 And said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

James 4:10 Humble yourselves before Yahuah, and he will exalt you.

Deny Yourself and take up Your Stake and Follow me

Yahusha HaMashiach (Messiah) was crucified on a Roman stake (4716 /Staurós-Stake) which is also used figuratively for the cross (sacrifice) each believer bears as a true follower-of-Mashiach (**Luke 9:23, Luke 14:27, Matthew 10:38, 16:24**, etc.) and represents unspeakable pain, humiliation and suffering – and ironically is also the symbol of infinite love!

Matthew 16:24, Luke 9:23 Then Yahusha told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his stake (4716 /Staurós-Stake/cross) and follow me.

Luke 14:27, Matthew 10:38 Whoever does not bear his own cross (4716 /Staurós-Stake) and come after me cannot be my disciple and is not worthy of me.

2 Timothy 4:3 For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions

Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of Yahuah, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

1 Corinthians 6:20 For you were bought with a price. So glorify Alahym in your body.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in Yahuah with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

1 Peter 3:8 Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.