

Is Speaking in Tongues of Yahuah?

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The history of 'speaking in tongues' in the United States is mostly associated with Azusa Street. That is not to say that individuals in this country never spoke in tongues prior Azusa Street. The question and discussion today for many who are in the Awakening is, **"Is speaking in tongues from the Church? And if it is, should covenant keepers speak in tongues?"**

I'm not going to take this time to turn this into a Scripture study. I'm not going to use this time to do a study of biblical terminology. Many times, we can get into wanting to prove something that we unnecessarily jump through hoops attempting to make a point that doesn't require much effort. So, let's dive into it!

What is speaking in tongues?

Most people will say speaking in tongues, in a religious setting, is when an individual begins to speak in a language that is unknown to the individual and to most people who are present. Usually, this occurrence is joined with a visible display of a 'force' of some sort moving upon the individual. In many church settings, especially those of us who came out of the Pentecostal movement, we witnessed this time and time again and many of us experienced it.

Unfortunately, in the Apostolic Pentecostal church it was the 'sign' that one had been born again. I say unfortunate because there is a misunderstanding of the historical text in the Bible and determining whether a person has started their journey based on hearing one speak in an unidentifiable tongue. Validating a person's stammering lips and unknown tongue gave many people the wrong belief when it came to declaring if a person was 'saved.' Many people walked away with either or yes or no based on this occurrence alone. However, if people believe the second writings, they will realize that no one is 'saved'. One is only 'saved' (delivered) if he or she endures to the end of their individual journey with the Creator. (MattithYah 24:13)

So, what does it mean when a **truth-seeker, a sincere individual who is seeking the face of the Creator** begins to speak in tongues? Because we are alive, we have been gifted with the 'breath of life'. This breath of life comes from the Creator. When the Creator made humankind, there was one language in which He communicated with His creation. This language by most linguists and archeologists have been identified as one of the Shamitic languages – particularly Hebrew. Though the language was never called Hebrew by the descendants of Abar (Eber). I will for the sake of keeping it simple refer to that the language as the Original Language given humanity from the Creator. The Creator communicated with His creation and with those who followed Him, and language is the basis of all communication.

In One's Personal Life

It is my belief that when a truth-seeker, a sincere individual who is seeking the face of the Creator begins to speak in tongues that individual is communicating with the Creator in the Original Language. We are spirit beings having an experience in these tabernacles of clay, these bodies. Yah is Spirit and how we connect with Yah is by His set-apart Spirit which He gifts those who are setting themselves apart unto Him. Therefore, if we're praying to the Eternal Spirit, praising the Eternal Spirit, speaking of the Eternal Spirit and we are yielded in our minds and beings to Yahuah then His Spirit will move on us and when this happens a person can experience communicating with the Creator in the Original Language – speaking in tongues as it is commonly called.

As the people are awakening there is an emphasis placed on the Original Language or 'Hebrew', however, there are many in the Awakening who want to downplay speaking in tongues, say it's from the church, or say it is witchcraft. It doesn't make sense for one to talk about restoration of the history, culture, covenant, and language and say that communicating with the Creator in His language has no place in the Awakening. Such an individual does not have the proper understanding of what is called *speaking in tongues* and they lack understanding of this occurrence among Yahuah's people.

Now, we know that everyone, in the church, who speaks in tongues is not a truth-seeker or sincere individual wanting to know the Creator neither are they living a set-apart lifestyle to the best of their knowledge and ability. Such individuals are a dime a dozen and their insincerity and self-willed spirit in this area is not even worth discussing neither does it negate other's true experiences of communicating with the Creator in the Original Language. Unfortunately, because of what occurs in the religious church setting many in the Awakening are against 'speaking in tongues' and say that people in the Awakening who speak in tongues are still stuck in their previous church experiences and that such individuals are bringing aspects of the church into the Awakening. This is a very sad conclusion for those, in the Awakening, who feel this way to come to.

In most church settings speaking in tongues is an emotional high for people and many do it for personal gain. The set-apart Spirit is not present and it's not working. People are not seeking Yahuah and many who have heard of Yahuah and the Awakening have coldly turned their ears away from hearing more. Many displays of speaking in tongues in the church is demonic and comes from impure and unclean vessels. The people are not living set-apart lives and there are those who maintain an aspect of set-apartness in their physical dress but inwardly they are filled with lies and hypocrisy. Therefore, when they speak it is of the devil – any adversary of the Creator. The devil is anyone who is against Yahuah and His ways; it is anyone who refuses to submit to Yahuah's will.

Tongues in the Gathering/Assembly

Another aspect of tongues is ministering in a known earthly language. There may be an occurrence when individuals are present who do not speak the language of most people present, and Yahuah wants to give a message to those individuals. Yahuah can use 'speaking in tongues – an earthly language' to do so. His spirit can move upon a person in the congregation to speak forth this message to those individuals present in their own language. I, personally, have experienced this. I was on a mission assignment to Spain and at the time of my departure I had started my journey back home to my Creator. I was aware of who I was and of His name and of some of His truths. Yet, it wasn't for me to abort the journey, Yah still meant for me to travel to Spain. I remember in one service I was asked to pray with a young lady. Now, I only knew a little Spanish – not enough to have a fluent, uninterrupted conversation and not enough to pray with a Spanish speaker. I was asking Yah, yes Yahuah, not Jesus, to lead me and to take over. As I prayed with this young Ecuadorian lady in a Christian church, the set-apart Spirit did take over. All I know is that the night before I flew back to the United States, this lady thanked me for praying for her that day and didn't know that I knew her situation. Her friend interpreted for her as we were saying goodbye. And the truth is that I didn't know her situation and I still don't know till this day but Yahuah knew and speaking in tongues – the Spirit supernaturally allowing me to speak fluently in her language – was used to minister to this young lady.

Speaking in the Original Language during a service is edifying for those who have the set-apart Spirit and for those who are seeking Yahuah. Many covenant keepers will have the Spirit of Yahuah move upon them whether it is in prayer, praise, or exhortation, and they will begin to speak in tongues. Someone may ask, *"Why would Yahuah do that if no one understands what is being said?"* There are four reasons I will mention why this happens. Keep in mind that these four reasons are not the only reasons.

1. Yahuah wants His people to know that His Spirit is moving in the lives of His people.
2. Yahuah wants to show that He is present and desires to move in the midst of His people when they gather for the appointed times.
3. Intercession and spiritual warfare at times must be accomplished and in our earthly languages and minds we're unable to express the need or pray effectively towards that end.
4. Yahuah wants His people to know that He is restoring the Original Language to His people.

Language and DNA

Most indigenous people – so-called African-Americans – in the United States are ethnically Shamitic people. And though we have been cut-off from our parts the Shamitic language is encoded on our DNA. This is where language rests – on one's DNA; DNA is language and language is DNA. When such a people are having a deeply emotional experience with the Creator or in their form of spirituality, they can speak in their cultural Shamitic tongue or in the Original Language. This is because language can never truly be destroyed or obliterated from a person's DNA. It takes some deep connecting and for a people to sometimes go where they've not gone before for this to happen. This is a profound discussion for another time.

For example, many indigenous people in the church would say 'Hebrew' words when they were 'speaking in tongues' i.e. – hayah, shama, ha or hey, - Well, hayah is a reference to the Creator, meaning, to exist, the I Am. Shama means to hear with the intent to obey. Ha or hey means to look on something or draw attention to something – usually looking at the strength and working of Alahym in most cases. So yes, in the past many Shamitic people in the church did speak their original language when they were spiritually moved.

Conclusion

The best thing for truth-seekers who are on the journey back to Yahuah to do is live a life that is totally yielded to Yah. Be submitted in mind, deeds, and words. Set oneself apart unto Yahuah so that Yah's set-apart Spirit can dwell with you and in you. Commit to a life of prayer and consecration and be led by Yahuah's spirit and not your own. Empty yourself so that Yahuah can pour into you His knowledge, His word, and His spirit. Be filled with the Spirit and be consistent in your spiritual growth. At some point and sooner than later you will find yourself in your prayers and in your praise speaking in the language Yahuah gave creation. To connect with the Creator in this way is edifying and strengthening and is needed, especially in the times in which we're living. And if Yahuah chooses to use you to speak His word to a person who does not speak your language be completely yielded to Yah and let His set-apart Spirit do the work through you. Praise Yah!