



A Detailed Journey with Y'shua through the Feasts of Yahweh

THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

“And Yahweh spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘The feasts of Yahweh, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, **these are My feasts.**”... “These are the feasts of Yahweh, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times.” Leviticus 23:1-2, 4 NKJV

“So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to Yahweh **throughout your generations.** You shall keep it as a feast by **an everlasting ordinance.**” Exodus 12:14

OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

“So let **no one judge you** in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are **a shadow of things to come,** **but the body of Christ**” Colossians 2:16-17

“Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast**, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” I Corinthians 5:7-8 NKJV

Feasts in a blurb (excerpt from the Heart of David)

The Feasts of the LORD: By Stephen Duame

Since the fall of Adam the world has been sick. Judaism sees this need to make things right again. They call this spiritual repair “Tikkun Olam” which means “perfecting the world.” Christianity frames this “repair” in terms of redemption. Redemption is the opportunity for something that was forfeited to be re-purchased by the original owner. There are four major foundational patterns in Scripture, which prophetically depict the process of restoring things to their original state. In the elegant beauty of truth, they are all presented in the Bible as a process of seven steps. These Biblical patterns are part of the fabric of national order and family life. Like the sunrise and sunset, they regulate a healthy national heartbeat. But underneath the surface of these “family friendly” events is the master plan of divine warfare. They reveal the incredibly complex

and profound strategy designed by God to bring a final end to suffering and death. In them, God reveals His plan to restore mankind to righteousness and the promised paradise.

These four major patterns are:

1. The week of creation (Six days of work and then the Sabbath)
2. The journey from Egypt to Canaan (Captivity, Wilderness, Promised Land),
3. The Tabernacle
4. The Feasts of the LORD

For the purpose of this essay, we will focus on the Feasts of the LORD. The weekly Sabbath and the Feast Sabbaths, both infuse holiness into time. They are eternal cycles that will regulate time forever. The Feasts of the LORD reveal an incredibly rich and intricate yearly cycle. They reveal the patterns of all life—whether agricultural, biological or spiritual. Be it corporate or individual, all life follows these patterns. The seven Biblical Feasts are observed at three distinct seasons of the year. Each season represents one phase in the progression of life—re-birthing, nurturing, and fruiting.

In Scripture, repetitive cycles are highly prophetic, but not all prophetic events are cyclical. There are also events that will only

take place one time. These events are also predicted in the Bible. The complex events of the End-of-the-Age are an intersection of familiar cyclical events, like the Feasts, as well as events that will occur only one time. Prophetic events have been rehearsed for millennia in what the Bible calls “shadows of things to come.” In all of these events we are learning more about the one who created them, God. This is how relationships are built—through learning patterns of behavior. The Feasts of the LORD teach us both about God and how to repair our world.

Only one chapter in the Bible, Leviticus 23, lists and details ALL the Feasts of the LORD. Below are brief profiles of each Feast. Each one has so many facets and applications that it is extremely hard to summarize them. As an aid to help you remember something about each Feast, it is helpful to pick one facet and assign a single word that represents it best. Following one prophetic line, each Feast below has been given a related key word:

Passover: The 14th day of the 1st month of the Biblical calendar

Key word: **Death.**

We commonly refer to this Feast as Passover, but the actual Hebrew word is pesach—the substitute victim of the death decree. This special offering of the lamb brings both physical freedom for

everyone, and spiritual redemption for the firstborn. We should note that Passover is not the beginning of life, for there is life in Egypt. It was a comfortable life for a time, but like a womb, there is limited opportunity for growth. There are birth pangs (10 plagues) which eventually result in a birth, an exodus to another world. Out of death comes new life.

Passover is filled with important symbolism. It is both the most formal family event of the year, and also the most prophetically significant Feast. It is the first event of the sacred year. Passover requires a reservation, it cannot be done spontaneously. Careful preparation is needed to find a spotless lamb for a household, and the portions must be measured precisely. Males must be “circumcised” and all “leaven” removed.

**Unleavened Bread: The 15th through the 21st day of the
1st month of the Biblical calendar**

Key word: **Burial.**

Unleavened Bread is the seven-day Feast associated with Passover, and is characterized by eating matzah, or bread without yeast (leaven). Our bread was unleavened because we left Egypt in haste. Leaven is a type of sin in our Passover scenario. This Feast properly focuses our attention on the heart of man’s problem—sin.

It emphasizes the need to make great efforts to remove sin, not just from our lives, but from our households, and even from within the borders of our nation. We endure a type of death for one week by not enjoying the full taste of life. In this Feast we reckon the “fallen nature” of our “old self” dead, and we live a week of sinlessness. This is a type of water baptism. As Israel went through the sea, the old (Egyptian army) died, and Israel was prepared for the new life that would follow. While we rehearse a state of sinlessness here, there remain five more steps in our journey to perfection.

Firstfruits: The 1st day following the 1st Sabbath after Passover

Key word: **Resurrection.**

Rebirth is symbolized by bringing a firstfruits portion of the first barley harvest. As Israel came out of the water they were born again. God receives the firstfruits offering and grants us the firstfruit of the Spirit as a deposit. This serves as a reminder of the fullness that is coming.

Weeks: Seven weeks plus one day following Firstfruits

Key word: **Power.**

From the barley firstfruits we count fifty days and then offer the wheat firstfruits. By counting, we are connecting to and extending the Feast of Passover. Over these seven weeks our consciousness is elevated, and we are being transformed from slaves to sons. We are preparing ourselves to appear before the LORD. At the original Feast of Weeks, the Israelites came to Mt. Sinai and received the Torah. The Torah, the embodiment of knowledge and truth (Romans 2:20), is both a national constitution and a marriage Ketubah (certificate). After Jesus' resurrection, He instructed His disciple to wait for the "gift" that would come (Pentecost). Two loaves made of the firstfruits of the wheat harvest were offered. These TWO loaves are clearly symbolic of the SPIRIT and TRUTH, the "gifts" given to us by God. These gifts equip us for the long hot summer of growth. Over the summer, our progress is often marred by failures. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. We may lose our way... until the trumpet calls!

Trumpets: The 1st day of the 7th month of the Biblical calendar

Key word: **Repentance.**

The Feast of Trumpets is a call to a new beginning, often a prodigal return. It sounds the alarm for an earnest and sincere preparation for the coming new dispensation (year or Kingdom).

More specifically, Trumpets begins the countdown of the “ten days of awe” leading to the High Holy Day—the Day of Atonement. The blowing of trumpets is to remind us of our sin and our need for repentance. It is to remind us of our obligation to remind God to fulfill His covenant and promises to us (Israel).

Yom Kippur: The 10th day of the 7th month of the Biblical calendar

Key word: **Reconciliation.**

This represents the completion of our week of “work.” It is the High Priest’s most laborious day. It is the day that the Priests obtain a covering and removal of sins for the people. It is a day of fasting and humiliation, the most solemn and fearful day of the year. The outcome is never assured. If successful, this final atonement achieves reconciliation to the Father. Ultimately, Yom Kippur typifies the work of the divine family reconciling the human family to God. The Son, taking on flesh, lives perfectly and then offers Himself as the unblemished Passover Lamb. He passes the work of nurturing and building to the Holy Spirit for the long “summer.” This work now culminates in the finishing touches of Yom Kippur. All human needs are met and provided for in atonement. This includes (but is not limited to): the covering of sins, appeasing God’s wrath, forgiveness of debt, release from broken promises, and

healing. The two sets of clothes, golden and white linen; the components of the Ark, gold and wood; and the two bloods from the two different sacrificial animals; all indicate the blending of the divine and the human. As the body of Messiah, we must clarify the mystery surrounding Yom Kippur. We are not only the recipients of atonement, but as priests in the order of Melchizedek, confident to enter the “most holy place” (Hebrews 10:19), we too must “work” on Yom Kippur.

**Tabernacles: The 15th through the 22nd day of the
7th month of the Biblical calendar**

Key word: **Rest.**

Fruitfulness, victory, harvest, rest, joy, oneness, thanksgiving, indwelling, and perfection are some of the words that characterize the Feast of Tabernacles. We enjoy the fruitfulness of the year (week, dispensation), while we also look back in thankfulness to important aspects of our journey. Specifically, we remember the booths (temporary bodies) we lived in when we were in the Wilderness. It was in the Wilderness (of our need, of our humanity) that we laid the foundations of resting in the land (our God-likeness). The booth we built and perfected during the week of work now can be filled with the presence and glory of God. It is

around this “Tabernacle” of God that all the nations will one day dwell in security, eating from the tree of life and drinking from the well of living water.

SABBATH

1. The Super Pattern (the cycle of sevens)

A. Once the Sabbath, Always the Sabbath

(1) The Foundation

- (a) “Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. **And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.** Then God **blessed the seventh day and sanctified it,** because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.” Genesis 2:1-3 NKJV

(2) Provision

- (a) “And so it was, **on the sixth day, that they gathered twice as much bread,** two omers for each one. And all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. Then he said to them, “This is what the LORD has said: ‘Tomorrow is a Sabbath rest, a holy Sabbath to the LORD. Bake what you will bake today, and boil what you will boil; and lay up for yourselves all that remains,

to be kept until morning.' " So they laid it up till morning, as Moses commanded; and it did not stink, nor were there any worms in it. Then Moses said, "Eat that today, for today is a Sabbath to the LORD; today you will not find it in the field. **Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will be none.**" Exodus 16:22-26 NKJV

(3) The Command

- (a) "Six days you shall labor and do all your work, **but the seventh day is the Sabbath** of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. **For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day.** Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it." Exodus 20:9-11 NKJV

(4) At the forefront of the Feasts

- (a) "Six days shall work be done, but **the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest**, a holy convocation. You shall do no work on it; it is the Sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings." Leviticus 23:3 NKJV

(5) Still the Same

- (a) “And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on **the Sabbath.**” Matthew 24:20 NKJV
- (b) “For Moses has had throughout many generations those who preach him in every city, being read in the synagogues **every Sabbath.**” Acts 15:21 NKJV
- (c) “Then Paul, **as his custom was, went in to them, and for three Sabbaths** reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and demonstrating that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and saying, “This Jesus whom I preach to you is the Christ.”” Acts 17:2-3 NKJV
- (d) “Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: “So I swore in My wrath, ‘They shall not enter My rest,’ ” although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. **For He has spoken in a certain place [Genesis 2:1-3] of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all His works”**; and again in this place: “They shall not enter

My rest.” Since therefore it remains that some must enter it, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience, again He designates a certain day, saying in David, “Today,” after such a long time, as it has been said: “Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts.” For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken of another day. **There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.”** Hebrews 4:1-10 NKJV

THOSE CRAZY FEAST KEEPERS

2. The Feast Keepers

A. Paul the Feast Keeper

(1) Keep the Feast

- (a) “Therefore **let us keep the feast**, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” I

Corinthians 5:8 NKJV

(2) Paul Even Left the Mission Field to Keep the Feast!

- (a) “For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for **he was**

hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost.” Acts 20:16 NKJV

B. Y’shua the Feast Keeper

(1) As Per the Law!

- (a) “After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.” John 5:1 NKJV
- (b) **“Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses:** at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed.” Deuteronomy 16:16 NKJV

(2) Even when His life was threatened, He made His way to the Feast of Tabernacles in the fall.

- (a) “After these things Jesus walked in Galilee; for He did not want to walk in Judea, **because the Jews sought to kill Him.** Now the Jews’ Feast of Tabernacles was at hand. His brothers therefore said to Him, “Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You are doing. For no one does anything in secret while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world.” For even His brothers did not believe in Him. Then Jesus

said to them, **“My time has not yet come, but your time is always ready.** The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil. You go up to this feast. I am not yet going up to this feast, for My time has not yet fully come.” When He had said these things to them, He remained in Galilee.” John 7:1-9 NKJV

(b) He Goes up secretly, but eventually, reveals Himself as He teaches in the Temple and much like when we was a young 12 year old boy at Passover, they marveled at His knowledge!

1. **“But when His brothers had gone up, then He also went up to the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret.** Then the Jews sought Him at the feast, and said, “Where is He?” And there was much complaining among the people concerning Him. Some said, “He is good”; others said, “No, on the contrary, He deceives the people.” However, no one spoke openly of Him for fear of the Jews. **Now about the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and taught. And the Jews marveled, saying, “How does this Man know letters, having never studied?”** [Same as when he was 12 years old at the

Passover in Luke 2:41-52] Jesus answered them and said, **“My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me.** If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority. He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but He who seeks the glory of the One who sent Him is true, and no unrighteousness is in Him. Did not Moses give you the law, yet none of you keeps the law? Why do you seek to kill Me?”” John 7:10-19 NKJV

2. **When He was 12:** “Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. **And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers.”** Luke 2:46-47 NKJV

(c) And as He teaches at the Feast they do nothing to Him and it is so astonishing that some witnessing it ask this profound question:

1. “Now some of them from Jerusalem said, “Is this not He whom they seek to kill? But look! **He speaks boldly, and they say nothing to Him. Do the rulers**

**know indeed that this is truly the Christ?" John
7:25-26 NKJV**

C. And what was Y'shua teaching at the Feast?

(1) I pray you catch how profound it is that Y'shua risked His life to KEEP THE FEAST.

(a) At the Feast of Tabernacles, it was Jewish tradition to do a **Water Libation Ceremony** or a "Pouring of the water". It is the time of year in which God judges the world for rainfall and the fall season demands the heavy rain or latter rain for the maturing of the wheat harvest; therefore this **ceremony** invokes God's blessing for rain in its proper time.

(2) And Look what Y'shua stood up and taught in the Temple

(a) "On the last day, that great day of the feast [this refers to the eight day of the Feast of Tabernacles], Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, **out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**" But this **He spoke concerning the Spirit**, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." John 7:37-39 NKJV

- (b) Note: again, you see the connection between rain, water and the Holy Spirit!
- (c) “Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, “Truly this is the Prophet.” Others said, “This is the Christ.” But some said, “Will the Christ come out of Galilee?” John 7:40-41 NKJV

AND THEN THE END WILL COME!

3. **Passover and the End** (See Sermon Notes [And Then the End...](#))

A. **Feasts of Yahweh—Review**

(1) **Spring Feasts**

- (a) **Passover** (an event, not a day, takes place at sunset on the 14th day of the 1st Month)—Death of the Lamb and Death of Messiah
- (b) **Unleavened Bread** (7 days starting at the Passover Event)—Lamb in the oven and Messiah in the tomb
- (c) **First Fruits** (the first day after the Sabbath that follows the Passover Event)—End of the three days’ journey and the third day Resurrection of Messiah (note: the only time the Feast of First Fruits can occur three days after the Passover is when Passover falls on a Wednesday night. On the year of the crucifixion, Passover WAS A WEDNESDAY NIGHT!)

- (d) **Shavuot (Feast of Weeks—really in the Summer!)**—the Law given on Mt. Sinai (in the third month, Exodus 19:1) and the Spirit given on Pentecost (Acts 2:1). This feast actually takes place in the summer, but is an extension of the Passover season as the 50 days to reach Pentecost are counted as such: count 7 Sabbaths from the Sabbath after Passover and add a day.)

(2) Fall Feasts

- (a) **Feast of Trumpets**—The Return of the Messiah (the first day of the 7th Month; the only Feast that takes place on the first day of a month, and which requires spotting the new moon—no one knows the day or the hour, but must be sober and watching as we do know the times and the seasons. (I Thessalonians 5:1-11))
- (b) **Yom Kippur**—The Judgment (10 days after the Feast of Trumpets).
- (c) **Feast of Tabernacles**—The Millennial Kingdom (This is the festival of joy that begins 5 days after Yom Kippur or Judgment and lasts 7 days).
- (d) **Last Great Day of Tabernacles**—Eternity (8th day added to Tabernacles)—It is called “the Joy of the Law.” Eight is Hebrew is symbolic of Eternity, Infinity, and New Beginnings. (See John 7:37)

B. Passover is all about Firstborns

(1) Distinguishing Firstborns

- (a) Firstborn warning! Pharaoh is told that this is the LAST WARNING! Who the true firstborn are will be revealed with by life and death (See Romans 8:19—the revealing of the son's of God)
- (b) “And the LORD said to Moses, “**I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt.** Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will surely drive you out of here altogether. Exodus 11:1
- (c) Then Moses said, “Thus says the LORD: ‘About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt; and **all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die**, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals.” Exodus 11:4-5 NKJV
- (d) “But **against none of the children of Israel** shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the LORD does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.” Exodus 11:7 NKJV
- (e) “For the LORD will pass through to **strike the Egyptians;** and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the

two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and **not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.**" Exodus 12:23 NKJV

- (f) Israel will not be effected (but later we see there is a stipulation for this— you must do something!

(2) Death of the Firstborns

- (a) ““For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will **strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt**, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. Exodus 12:12 NKJV

- (b) “And it came to pass at midnight that the LORD **struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt**, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of livestock. So Pharaoh rose in the night, he, all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt, for **there was not a house where there was not one dead.**” Exodus 12:29-30 NKJV

(3) Survival of the Firstborns

- (a) Now the **blood shall be a sign for you** on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and **the plague shall not be on you to destroy**

you when I strike the land of Egypt.” Exodus 12:13
NKJV

- (b) “Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “**Consecrate to Me all the firstborn**, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast; it is Mine.”” Exodus 13:1-2 NKJV

(4) Y’shua Messiah as Firstborn

- (a) “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. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.” John 3:16-17
NKJV
- (b) “He is the image of the invisible God, **the firstborn over all creation**. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.” Colossians 1:15-16 NKJV
- (c) “And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, **the firstborn from the dead**, that in all things He may have the preeminence.” Colossians 1:18 NKJV

- (d) “For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be **the firstborn among many brethren.**” Romans 8:29 NKJV
- (e) “He shall cry to Me, ‘You are my Father, My God, and the rock of my salvation.’ **Also I will make him My firstborn, The highest of the kings of the earth.**” Psalms 89:26-27 NKJV
- (f) “and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, **the firstborn from the dead**, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,” Revelation 1:5 NKJV

(5) Followers of Y’shua as Firstborns (as an inheritance)

- (a) CHURCH OF THE FIRSTBORN: “For you have not **come to the mountain** that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore. (For they could not endure what was commanded: “And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow.” And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.”)

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.” Hebrews 12:18-24 NKJV

(b) JOINT HEIRS: “The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that **we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ,** if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.” Romans 8:16-17 NKJV

(c) “till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, **to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;**” Ephesians 4:13 NKJV

(6) Firstborns vs. Non-firstborns

(a) A mixed multitude left Egypt with Israel.

(b) The Story of Two Firstborns

1) **Firstborns who applied the blood**—Had faith to believe and applied the blood of the lamb—true

(faith + blood = temporal salvation and eternal redemption)

- 2) **Firstborns who did not apply the blood died**—had no faith to believe and did not apply the blood of the lamb (no faith + no blood = temporal and eternal damnation)

(c) The Story of Two non-Firstborns: I was never at risk in Egypt in the first place, what about me?

- 1) **Non-firstborns who came out of Egypt with Israel**—they had faith to believe and leave but did not require the blood of the lamb to survive. They went on to live with Israel in the exodus. (faith + no blood = temporal salvation no eternal redemption)
- 2) **Non-firstborns who stayed Egypt**—They did not have the faith to believe nor to leave, but also had no need of the blood of the lamb to live. They eventually suffered the fate of the faithless firstborns who already died in Egypt. (no faith + no blood = temporal and eternal damnation)

C. Separating Sons from Sons

(1) The Revealing of Sons

- (a) “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall

be revealed in us. **For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.** For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.”

Romans 8:18-22 NKJV

(2) A trip through Matthew 24 (the End is a Passover—not the 2nd coming of Messiah)

(a) **FIRST:** Don't be deceived; you will hear of wars and rumors of wars; do not be troubled; the end is not yet; nation against nation, kingdom against kingdom; famines, pestilences, and earthquakes; just the beginning; you will face tribulation and death, you will be hated by all nations for Y'shua's name; many will be offended; betray one another; hate one another; false prophets will deceive many; lawlessness will abound; love will grow cold.” Matthew 24:4-12 NKJV [AND THEN THE END...]

(b) “But he who endures to the end shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world

as a witness to all the nations, **and then the end will come.**" Matthew 24:13-14 NKJV [IS THE END WHEN THE MASTER RETURNS? NO, IT'S THE SEPARATION OF FIRSTBORNS?

(c) **A LOT HAPPENS BETWEEN THE END AND THE RETURN OF THE MASTER:** You see the 'abomination of desolation standing in the holy place; it's time to flee; pray its not in winter or on the Sabbath; it will be great tribulation; unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders; don't be deceived, they are not pointing to the true Messiah; the true savior comes like lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, Matthew 24:15-28 NKJV

(d) **WHEN IS THAT COMING? AFTER THE TRIBULATION OF THOSE DAYS:** ""Immediately after the tribulation...then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, you will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other." Matthew 24:29-31 NKJV [THAT IS WHAT IT WILL LOOK LIKE]

- (e) **LIKE WE CAN TELL WHEN A FRUIT IS READY TO BE PICKED, WE WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THESE THINGS COMING...** “Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place.” Matthew 24:32-35 NKJV [THERE IS AN ENTIRE GENERATION BETWEEN THE END IN VS. 14 AND THE COMING OF THE MASTER. SO WHAT SHOULD THAT GENERATION BE DOING?]
- (f) **PREPARATION:** just like in the days of Noah, be prepared and others acted like nothing would happen, until the day that Noah entered the ark, he did not know exactly when the flood would come; Watch therefore, for you do not know what exact hour your Lord is coming. Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an exact hour you do not expect [JUST LIKE THE FEAST OF TRUMPET]. Matthew 24:36-44 NKJV
- (g) **THIS IS WHAT FAITHFUL BELIEVERS LOOK LIKE WHEN THE MASTER RETURNS!** ““Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made **ruler** over his household, to **give them food** in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. Assuredly, I say to you that he

will **make him ruler** over all his goods. [JUST LIKE JOSEPH WHO PREPARED AND WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF HIS MASTER'S HOUSE IN GENESIS 41:37-44] But the evil servant does not know this entire sequence and thinks 'My master is delaying his coming,' and he treats others horribly and acts as if he's got an eternity to get ready. It will not be good for them! Matthew 24:45-51 NKJV

- (3) **WHAT ARE THE RULES OF LAW FOR THOSE CALLED OUT BY YAHWEH, NO MATTER WHAT YOUR BACKGROUND?** One law shall be for the native-born and for the stranger who dwells among you
- (a) "For seven days no leaven shall be found in your houses, since whoever eats what is leavened, that same person shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, **whether he is a stranger or a native of the land.**" Exodus 12:19 NKJV
- (b) "And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "This is the ordinance of the Passover: **No foreigner shall eat it.** But every man's **servant who is bought** for money, when you have circumcised him, then he may eat it. **A sojourner and a hired servant shall not eat it.**" Exodus 12:43-45 NKJV

- (c) “All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. And when a **stranger** dwells with you and **wants to keep the Passover** to the LORD, **let all his males be circumcised**, and then **let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as a native of the land**. For no uncircumcised person shall eat it. **One law shall be for the native-born and for the stranger who dwells among you.**” Exodus 12:47-49 NKJV

(4) NOTE TO CHRISTIANS—You are no longer considered strangers but citizens. Ephesians 2 is a Passover message!

- (a) For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. **Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood**

of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. **Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,** having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit." Ephesians 2:8-22 NKJV

- (b) NEW CITIZENSHIP: "For our **citizenship is in heaven,** from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will **transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body,** according to

the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.” Philippians 3:20-21 NKJV

- (c) **One law shall be for the native-born and for the stranger who dwells among you.**— “I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the **unity of the Spirit** in the bond of peace. There is **one body** and **one Spirit**, just as you were called in **one hope** of your calling; **one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all**, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.” Ephesians 4:1-6 NKJV

(5) The Passover ENDS a culture and begins a new one

- (a) WHAT IT DOES TO EGYPT IMMEDIATELY: “And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. **So the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, and all the army of Pharaoh** that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained. But the children of Israel had walked on dry

land in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. So the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and **Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.**" Exodus 14:27-30 NKJV

- (b) WHAT IT DOES TO EGYPT FOREVER: **"Egypt will become a desolate wasteland.** Then they will know that I am the LORD. ' "Because you said, 'The Nile is mine; I made it,' therefore I am against you and against your streams, **and I will make the land of Egypt a ruin and a desolate waste** from Migdol to Aswan, as far as the border of Cush. The foot of neither man nor beast will pass through it; no-one will live there for forty years. **I will make the land of Egypt desolate among devastated lands, and her cities will lie desolate for forty years among ruined cities. And I will disperse the Egyptians among the nations and scatter them through the countries.** ' "Yet this is what the Sovereign LORD says: at the end of forty years I will gather the Egyptians from the nations where they were scattered. I will bring them back from captivity and return them to Upper Egypt, the land of their ancestry. There they will be a lowly kingdom. **It will be the lowliest of kingdoms and will**

never again exalt itself above the other nations. I will make it so weak that it will never again rule over the nations. Egypt will no longer be a source of confidence for the people of Israel but will be a reminder of their sin in turning to her for help. Then they will know that I am the Sovereign LORD." "" Ezekiel 29:9-16 NIVUK

- (c) THE SAVING OF YAHWEH'S PEOPLE AND AN END OF EVERY NATION THAT COME AGAINST HIM: "The word that the LORD spoke to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon would come and strike the land of Egypt. "Declare in Egypt... (Jeremiah 46:13)...""But do not fear, O My servant Jacob, And do not be dismayed, O Israel! For behold, **I will save you from afar, And your offspring from the land of their captivity;** Jacob shall return, have rest and be at ease; No one shall make him afraid. **Do not fear, O Jacob My servant," says the LORD, "For I am with you; For I will make a complete end of all the nations To which I have driven you,** But I will not make a complete end of you. I will rightly correct you, For I will not leave you wholly unpunished."" Jeremiah 46:27-28 NKJV

D. The Restoration of All things

(1) Why Does Elijah come first?

(a) “And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” Jesus answered and said to them, **“Indeed, Elijah is coming (Malachi 4:4-6) first and will restore all things. But I say to you that Elijah has come already (Luke 1:13-17, Matthew 11:14-15)** and they did not know him but did to him whatever they wished. Likewise the Son of Man is also about to suffer at their hands.” **Then the disciples understood that He spoke to them of John the Baptist.”**
Matthew 17:10-13 NKJV

(b) “Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, **whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things**, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.” Acts 3:19-21
NKJV

(c) “Now this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.” And they asked him, “What then? **Are you Elijah?**” He said, **“I am not.”** “Are you the

Prophet?" And he answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you, that we may give an answer to those who sent us? What do you say about yourself?"

He said: "**I am 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Make straight the way of the LORD,'**" ' as the prophet Isaiah said." Now those who were sent were from the Pharisees." John 1:19-24 NKJV

- (d) "And if you are willing to receive it, **he is Elijah who is to come.** He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Matthew 11:14-15 NKJV

- (e) "But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. **And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,'** and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." Luke 1:13-17 NKJV

(f) ““And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; **For you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways,** To give knowledge of salvation to His people By the remission of their sins, Through the tender mercy of our God, With which the Dayspring from on high has visited us; To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace.”” Luke 1:76-79 NKJV

(2) What is his message?

- (a) JOHN: “In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, “**Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!**” For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah, saying: “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the LORD; Make His paths straight.’ ”” Matthew 3:1-3 NKJV
- (b) Y’SHUA: “From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “**Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**” ... And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.” Matthew 4:17, 23 NKJV
- (c) ELIJAH: ““**Remember the Law of Moses,** My servant, Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, With

the statutes and judgments. **Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet BEFORE the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.** And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.”” Malachi 4:4-6 NKJV

(3) The Ministry of Elijah and what the restoration look like?

- (a) “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. **For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.** For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption **into the glorious liberty of the children of God.**” Romans 8:18-21 NKJV

E. Human Initiative

(1) Then: Stand up and identify yourself as NOT being Egypt.

- (a) In the case of the 10th plague, those at risk are specified, and there is a distinction between Egypt and Israel (Ex. 11:7) only in that Israel will be instructed how to avoid the plague. Anyone wishing to avoid it must **DO SOMETHING** to be safe! This speaks of human

initiative in cooperation with Yahweh's prophetic plan. This is ultimately connected to the "revealing of sons" in Romans 8 which should open your eyes to the revealing of sons being a picture of Passover (the separation of true firstborn sons) and how it is connected with human initiative (you must do something).

(b) "...that you may know that the LORD does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel." Ex. 11:7

(c) "For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God." Romans 8:19 NKJV

(d) Example: Even though the battle was Yahweh's David still had to sling the stone (I Samuel 17:40-51)

(2) The Kingdom

(a) "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, **and then the end will come.**" Matthew 24:14 NKJV

(b) THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM: ""**Comfort, yes, comfort My people!**" Says your God. "**Speak comfort to Jerusalem,** and cry out to her, That her warfare [**hard labor, Romans 8:18-22**] is ended, That her iniquity is pardoned; For she has received from the LORD's hand Double for all her sins." The voice of one crying in the

wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD; Make straight in the desert A highway for our God. [**The message of Elijah**] Every valley shall be exalted And every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight And the rough places smooth; **The glory of the LORD shall be revealed [Romans 8:21]**, And all flesh shall see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." The voice said, "Cry out!" And he said, "What shall I cry?" "All flesh is grass, And all its loveliness is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, Because the breath of the LORD blows upon it; Surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever." O Zion, You who bring good tidings, Get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, Lift up your voice with strength, Lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand [**Malachi 4:4-6**], And His arm shall rule for Him; Behold, His reward is with Him, And His work before Him. He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are

with young. Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, Measured heaven with a span And calculated the dust of the earth in a measure? Weighed the mountains in scales And the hills in a balance? **Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, Or as His counselor has taught Him? With whom did He take counsel, and who instructed Him, And taught Him in the path of justice? Who taught Him knowledge, And showed Him the way of understanding?**” Isaiah 40:1-14 NKJV

- (c) WHO KNOW THE MIND OF YAHWEH—THOSE WHO UNDERSTAND THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM! “For “who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?” **But we have the mind of Christ.**” I Corinthians 2:16 NKJV

(3) **Pentecost is next, but how do we find Pentecost on the calendar?**

- (a) See Section 4 Subsection B immediately below—
Finding Pentecost (Shavuot)

PENTECOST—THEN, THEN AND NOW!

4. **Shadows and the Real (See Video [One Accord in One Place](#))**

A. **WARNING: Do not be ignorant about the times and seasons**

- (1) **Question:** In Acts 2, was it Pentecost because the Holy Spirit fell on mankind, or did the Holy Spirit fall on mankind because it was Pentecost?
- (2) **The Third Day! Consecrate yourself and BE READY!**
- (a) “Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go to the people and **consecrate them today and tomorrow**, and let them wash their clothes. And let them be ready for the third day. **For on the third day the LORD will come down** upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.” Exodus 19:10-11 NKJV
- (3) **How is it that you don’t know the time?**
- (a) “Then He also said to the multitudes, “Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming’; and so it is. And when you see the south wind blow, you say, ‘There will be hot weather’; and there is. **Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it you do not discern this time?**” Luke 12:54-56 NKJV
- (4) **Do not be ignorant?**
- (a) “**But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.** For when they say, “Peace

and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. **But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.** You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober.” I Thessalonians 5:1-6
NKJV

B. Finding Pentecost (Shavuot)

(1) It starts with Firstfruits

(a) ““Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: **‘When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits** of your harvest to the priest. He shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted on your behalf; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it.”
Leviticus 23:10-11 NKJV

(b) We know Israel left Egypt at Passover and that they came into the land at the Passover 40 years after the exodus. Passover is in the spring at which time the first harvest of the year is reaped, the barley harvest. That is the sheaf that is presented as the First Fruits offering of the year.

- (c) First Fruits is the First day that follows the first Sabbath that follows Passover. It is always the first day of the week (Sunday). It was the shadow of the resurrection of Y'shua who was the first fruits offering to His Father when He rose from the grave right before sundown **three days and three nights** after His death as it was about to turn to the day of First Fruits. Then on the very feast day He Presented himself to His Father. **Think of the profound directive** of Yahweh in Exodus 19:10-11 as He commands...**Get ready, in three days I am coming!**
- (2) A Three Day's Journey, First Fruits and the Resurrection—
Put on your Prophetic **Son-Glasses!**
- (a) Passover takes place as the sun is setting on 14th and it is becoming the 15th day of the first month (it was a Wednesday the year of the Exodus, the same as the year of the crucifixion, which means that Unleavened bread began on Thursday the 15th. This means that Firstfruits began at Sundown on Saturday (the 7th day of the week) as it became the 18th day of the month (Sundown begins the next day, in this case Sunday, the first day of the week). We always find First Fruits the day after the Sabbath that follows Passover, which means the

only way the feast can be after exactly three days and three nights have passed is when Passover falls on a Wednesday. Both the Passover of the Exodus and the Passover of the Crucifixion were on Wednesdays!

- (b) **Three day's journey**—Let us go three days journey into the wilderness that we may have a feast to Yahweh—Exodus 3:18; 5:3; 8:27 (Count three days and three nights from the Passover to First Fruits, from Passover to the resurrection)
1. “Then they will heed your voice; and you shall come, you and the elders of Israel, to the king of Egypt; and you shall say to him, ‘The LORD God of the Hebrews has met with us; and now, please, **let us go three days’ journey into the wilderness**, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.’” Exodus 3:18 NKJV
 2. “So they said, “The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Please, **let us go three days’ journey into the desert** and sacrifice to the LORD our God, lest He fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword.”” Exodus 5:3 NKJV
 3. “**We will go three days’ journey into the wilderness** and sacrifice to the LORD our God as He will command us.”” Exodus 8:27 NKJV

(3) Y'shua had a three day journey into the wilderness!

(a) "Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, **and in three days I will raise it up.**" John 2:19 NKJV

(b) "But He answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. **For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.**"
Matthew 12:39-40 NKJV

(c) "But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men." (Now this, "He ascended"—**what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?** He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)" Ephesians 4:7-10 NKJV

(d) READ ALL OF 1 CORINTHIANS 15 TO WITNESS
CHRIST AS THE FIRST FRUITS!

1. "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, **and that He rose**

again the third day according to the Scriptures," I

Corinthians 15:3-4 NKJV

- I. Question: What Scriptures?
- II. **Luke also mentions this in the narrative of the road to Emmaus.** "Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the **Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.**" And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to **rise from the dead the third day,** and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."" Luke 24:44-49 NKJV
- III. You will hear things about these predictions, especially in Luke, that the reference to Moses, Prophets and Psalms is just a general reference to

the Old Testament, and maybe that's okay when referring to general terms in Luke like suffering, repentance, forgiveness of sin, and witnessing to the nations, as those themes are numerous throughout the Old Testament. But the "**rise from the dead the third day**" is ultra-specific and you need prophetic eyes to find it.

- IV. **Some say the third day resurrection comes from Hosea:** "Come, and let us return to the LORD; For He has torn, but He will heal us; He has stricken, but He will bind us up. **After two days He will revive us; On the third day He will raise us up,** That we may live in His sight." Hosea 6:1-2 NKJV
- V. But Hosea 6 seems to be more related to the the restoration of the church after 2000 years (in my opinion). "But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord **one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**" II Peter 3:8 NKJV
- VI. *What is more likely predictive of the third day resurrection is the three day's Journey, after the Exodus, into the wilderness and then a feast (of First Fruits). **Remember—First Fruits can occur any**

number of days from Passover and it is only when Passover is a Wednesday does a three day's journey land you on the Feast!

2. "But now Christ is risen from the dead, and **has become the firstfruits** of those who have fallen asleep." I Corinthians 15:20 NKJV
3. "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. But each one in his own order: **Christ the firstfruits**, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming." I Corinthians 15:22-23 NKJV

(4) Why it is critical that Christians can count?

- (a) Unleavened Bread is always the 15th of the first month and that year First Fruits (always the first day of the week) was the 18th. For both the year of the Exodus and the Crucifixion it was the 18th. Shavuot (Weeks, Pentecost) is determined by counting seven Sabbaths from First Fruits and then adding a day ($7 \times 7 + 1 = 50$). That it is fifty days from First Fruits. This is where Christians get the name Pentecost which means 50. Jews call it Shavuot or Weeks and Christians call it Pentecost. So if we need 50 days from First Fruits (on the 18th) so there are 12 days left in the first month, plus 30 days in the second month, which then lands in the third

month when Israel Arrives at Mount Sinai. They leave Egypt on Passover, go three day's journeys to have a feast (which would be First Fruits as that year Passover was Wednesday), then they arrive at the foot of the mountain 47 days after that Feast (50 days after the Exodus), 8 days into the third month, and... "Then it came to pass **on the third day**, in the morning [**on day 50 (47 + 3)**], that there **were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain**; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled." (Exodus 19:16) Immediately after that come the Commandments.

- (b) Why is this relevant? Because it was on Pentecost that the Law was given on Mount Sinai and it was on Pentecost that the Spirit was Given on the Temple Mount as Faithful Jews (and converts) from all nations gathered in Jerusalem (See Acts 2).
- (c) "When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1 NKJV
- (d) "And suddenly there came a **sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind**, and it filled the **whole house where they were sitting**. Then there appeared to them

divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.”

Acts 2:2-5 NKJV

(5) Count 50 days from where to find Pentecost?

- (a) “And you shall count for yourselves from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you **brought the sheaf of the wave offering: seven Sabbaths** shall be completed. Count fifty days to **the day after the seventh Sabbath**; then you shall offer a new grain offering to the LORD. Leviticus 23:15-16 [this is the barley offering as that is the ripe grain in the first month]
- (b) And you shall proclaim on the same day that it is a holy convocation to you. You shall do no customary work on it. It shall be a statute forever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.” Leviticus 23:21 NKJV
- (c) From that Sunday (First Fruits) count seven sabbaths (49 days) and go to the next day, day 50 (Pentecost). It will obviously always land on a Sunday.

- (d) The Counting of the Omer: the 50 days from First Fruits to Pentecost. (See [Counting the Omer](#) for 50 days of daily reading leading up to Pentecost)

C. CONFIRMED! In the Third Month after the Exodus—Arrival at Mt. Sinai

(1) Arrival

- (a) “In the **third month** after the children of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on the same day, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. For they had departed from Rephidim, had come to the Wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness. So Israel **camped there before the mountain.**” Exodus 19:1-2 NKJV

(2) The IPO (The Initial Public Offering) of the Marriage Covenant. If you will, than I shall—We do!

- (a) “Now therefore, **if you will** indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, **then you shall** be a **special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.**’ These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.” So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him. **Then all the people answered** together and said, “All that the LORD

has spoken **we will** do.” So Moses brought back the words of the people to the LORD. And the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever.” So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.” Exodus 19:5-9 NKJV

(b) **Special Treasure, Kingdom of Priests, Holy Nation:**

“But you are a chosen generation, a **royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people**, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;” I Peter 2:9 NKJV

(3) **The Power Falls From Heaven Three Days After They Arrive—first get ready!**

(a) “Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go to the people and **consecrate them today and tomorrow**, and let them wash their clothes. And let them **be ready** for the third day. **For on the third day the LORD will come down** upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.” Exodus 19:10-11 NKJV

(b) “Then it came to pass **on the third day**, in the morning, that there **were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain;** and the sound of the trumpet

was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled.” Exodus 19:16 NKJV

- (c) Then Moses receives the Commandments In Exodus 20:1-17 as the people witness Yahweh’s power manifest
- (d) “Now all the people **witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking;** and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood afar off. Then they said to Moses, “You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die.”” Exodus 20:18-19 NKJV

(4) Fast Forward to the First Century

- (a) More on this Later but I must include this here as we see the legal precedent for what takes place in the first century and why there are so many people in Jerusalem when it happens.
- (b) “**Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses:** at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the **Feast of Weeks**, and at the Feast of Tabernacles; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed.” Deuteronomy 16:16 NKJV
- (c) There are three pilgrimage Feasts each year at which time Yahweh’s people (if at all possible) should get to

Jerusalem to celebrate. Pentecost (Feast of Weeks) is one of them. **And this is exactly what is being obeyed in Acts 2!**

- (d) “When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, **they were all with one accord in one place.** And suddenly there came a **sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind,** and it filled the **whole house where they were sitting.** Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And **there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.**” Acts 2:1-5

(5) One Place, One Accord, Every Nation: you get it?

- (a) “When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place...And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.” Acts 2:1, 5 NKJV

(6) Pilgrimage Feasts

- (a) Passover
1. ““Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to the LORD your God, for in the month of Abib the LORD

your God brought you out of Egypt by night.

Deuteronomy 16:1

2. “You may not sacrifice the Passover within any of your gates which the LORD your God gives you; but **at the place where the LORD your God chooses to make His name abide**, there you shall sacrifice the Passover at twilight, at the going down of the sun, at the time you came out of Egypt.” Deuteronomy 16:5-6 NKJV

(c) Weeks

1. ““You shall count seven weeks for yourself; begin to count the seven weeks from the time you begin to put the sickle to the grain [**that is the Feast of First Fruits which is the Day after the sabbath that follows Passover, in which the first fruit of the barley harvest is offered to Yahweh**]. Then you shall keep the Feast of Weeks to the LORD your God with the tribute of a freewill offering from your hand, which you shall give as the LORD your God blesses you. You shall rejoice before the LORD your God, you and your son and your daughter, your male servant and your female servant, the Levite who is within your gates, the stranger and the fatherless and the widow who are among you, **at the place where the LORD your God**

chooses to make His name abide. And you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and you shall be careful to observe these statutes."

Deuteronomy 16:9-12 NKJV

(d) Tabernacles

1. ""You shall observe the Feast of Tabernacles seven days, when you have gathered from your threshing floor and from your winepress. And you shall rejoice in your feast, you and your son and your daughter, your male servant and your female servant and the Levite, the stranger and the fatherless and the widow, who are within your gates. Seven days you shall keep a sacred feast to the LORD your God **in the place which the LORD chooses**, because the LORD your God will bless you in all your produce and in all the work of your hands, so that you surely rejoice."

Deuteronomy 16:13-15 NKJV

(e) Go to Jerusalem!

1. ""**Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses:** at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles; and

they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed." Deuteronomy 16:16 NKJV

2. "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you." Deuteronomy 16:17 NKJV

3. "Also on the day of the firstfruits, when you bring a new grain offering to the LORD at your **Feast of Weeks, you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work.**" Numbers 28:26 NKJV

(7) This is what was happening in the book of Acts!

(a) "When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:1-4 NKJV

(b) **A place of His choosing: "And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.** And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone

heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, “Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God.” So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “Whatever could this mean?” Others mocking said, “They are full of new wine.”” Acts 2:5-13 NKJV

SPEECHES THAT DEFINE A MAN’S LEGACY

5. **Looking Back to Look Ahead**

A. **From Peter to Abraham Lincoln to Martin Luther King, Jr.**

(1) **The Apostle Peter Looking forward by looking back!**

- (a) “But Peter, standing up with the eleven, **raised his voice** and said to them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words.” Acts 2:14 NKJV

(b) “But this is what was spoken **by the prophet Joel**: ‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.’ Acts 2:16-17 NKJV

B. Peter and Joel

(1) Peter

(a) “But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: **‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams. And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy. I will show wonders in heaven above And signs in the earth beneath: Blood and fire and vapor of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the**

coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.'" Acts 2:14-21 NKJV

(2) Joel

- (a) **““And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said, Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.”** Joel 2:28-32 NKJV

C. What Joel said that Peter did not!

(1) Joel 2:1-27 (The 27 verses preceding Peter’s quote!)

- (a) “Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at

hand: A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning clouds spread over the mountains. A people come, great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any such after them, Even for many successive generations. A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like swift steeds, so they run. With a noise like chariots Over mountaintops they leap, Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. Before them the people writhe in pain; All faces are drained of color. They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war; Every one marches in formation, And they do not break ranks. They do not push one another; Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, They are not cut down. They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. **The earth quakes before them, The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow**

dark, And the stars diminish their brightness. The LORD gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong is the One who executes His word. For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; **Who can endure it? “Now, therefore,” says the LORD, “Turn to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.”** So rend your heart, and not your garments; **Return to the LORD your God, For He is gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm.** Who knows if He will turn and relent, And leave a blessing behind Him— A grain offering and a drink offering For the LORD your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, Consecrate a fast, Call a sacred assembly; Gather the people, Sanctify the congregation, Assemble the elders, Gather the children and nursing babes; Let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, **And the bride from her dressing room.** Let the priests, who minister to the LORD, Weep between the porch and the altar; Let them say, “Spare Your people, O LORD, And do not give Your heritage to reproach, That the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’ ” Then the LORD will be zealous for His land,

And pity His people. The LORD will answer and say to His people, “Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil, And you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations. “But I will remove far from you the northern army, And will drive him away into a barren and desolate land, With his face toward the eastern sea And his back toward the western sea; His stench will come up, And his foul odor will rise, Because he has done monstrous things.” Fear not, O land; Be glad and rejoice, For the LORD has done marvelous things! Do not be afraid, you beasts of the field; For the open pastures are springing up, And the tree bears its fruit; The fig tree and the vine yield their strength. **Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month** *[two first months in Hebrew calendar, the first month when we have Passover all the way to Pentecost (which has the lighter former rains which are sufficient for the softer and less complex grain of the barley harvest, and the Seventh month which is the first month of the 2nd half of the year, and which we*

have the heavy latter rains for the more complex fall harvest grain (see John 4, the fields are ripe for harvest].

The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, And the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil. "So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, The crawling locust, The consuming locust, And the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, And praise the name of the LORD your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you; And My people shall never be put to shame. Then you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel: I am the LORD your God And there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame." Joel 2:1-27 NKJV

(2) Former Rain and Latter Rain (Joel 2:23)

- (a) What took place in that moment of outpouring of the Holy Spirit was the former rain. We are still waiting for the Latter rain.
- (b) **The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month**
[two first months in Hebrew calendar, the first month when we have Passover all the way to Pentecost (which has the lighter former rains which are sufficient for the softer and less complex grain of the barley harvest, and

the Seventh month which is the first month of the 2nd half of the year, and which we have the heavy latter rains for the more complex fall harvest grain (see John 4, the fields are ripe for harvest].

- (c) This is what Joel just said would come first and is why the first century was just a dress rehearsal! You can see the same pattern in Malachi 4 when the full expression of Elijah takes place in two stages (first century with John the Baptist and the “spirit of Elijah” and then the Final “behold I send you Elijah”. The passages in Joel leading up to Peter’s quotation of it starting in verse 28 are critical to your understanding of what took place at Pentecost in the first century and what we should be **LOOKING FORWARD TO** in the future, a greater outpouring. As such, Paul called the giving of the Holy Spirit in the first century and “erest” or a deposit on a whole for which the rest will be paid later!

D. A Deposit with a Guarantee of More to Come

(1) 2 Corinthians

- (a) “Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also **has sealed us** and given us the Spirit in our hearts **as a guarantee.**” II Corinthians 1:21-22 NKJV

(b) “Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, **guaranteeing what is to come.**” 2 Corinthians 1:21-22 NIVUK

(c) “Now he which establisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; Who hath also sealed us, and given the **earnest** of the Spirit in our hearts.” 2 Corinthians 1:21-22 KJV

(2) Ephesians

(a) “In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the **Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance** until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.” Ephesians 1:13-14 NKJV

(b) “And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, **who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance** until the redemption of those who are God’s possession – to the praise of his glory.” Ephesians 1:13-14 NIVUK

(c) “In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, **Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession**, unto the praise of his glory.” Ephesians 1:13-14 KJV

(3) Look at the Former Rain, Latter Rain and Great Harvest Imagery in the Narrative with the Samaritan Women at the Well (see John 4:1-42)

(a) “Now Jacob’s well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give Me a drink.” John 4:6-7

(b) Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘**Give Me a drink,**’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you **living water.**” The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? John 4:10-11

(c) Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him **a fountain of water**

springing up into everlasting life." The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." John 4:13-15

(4) Spirit and Truth (On what mountain do we worship?)

- (a) But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers **will worship the Father in spirit and truth;** for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in **spirit and truth.**" John 4:23-24 NKJV
- (b) Think of the truth coming down on Mt. Sinai and man's inability to comprehend the magnitude of such until the Spirit descends on Pentecost. Now the children of the Most High can apply the Spirit to the Truth.
- (c) What does it take to apply the Spirit to the Truth?
 - 1. "Jesus said to them, "Have you understood all these things?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He said to them, "Therefore **every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven** is like a householder who brings out of **his treasure things new and old.**" Matthew 13:51-52 NKJV
 - (l) **The Lesson:** Even the experts in the Law need to be instructed in the Kingdom.

(II) **The Treasure:** integrating things old (Mt. Sinai, the Law, Shavuot, Truth) with things new (The indwelling Spirit at Pentecost). Spirit and Truth

(5) The Harvest that comes with the Heavy Rains

(a) “Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, **‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’?** Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors.”” John 4:34-38 NKJV

TRUMPETS (HIS RETURN) THE 1ST DAY OF THE 7TH MONTH
(NEW MOON)

6. The New Year? (See Video [The Feasts of Trumpets](#))

A. (Rosh Hashanah) Why new year? (Remember Exodus 12:2 about Passover? “It shall be the first month of the year to you”?)

(1) Two New Years—former rain and Latter rain—

(a) *“Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— **The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month.**” Joel 2:23 NKJV*

(2) **The Feasts of the Lord—Leviticus 23**

(a) Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘In the **seventh month, on the first day of the month**, you shall have a sabbath-rest, a memorial of **blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation**. You shall do no customary work *on it*; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD.’” (Lev. 23:23-25)

1. First day of seventh month- the only feast that happens in the first day of the month- Must Spot moon
2. No one know the day of the hour, must be sober and watching (prepared) to spot the new moon
3. **Noon Moon:** *“At the beginnings of your months* you shall present a burnt offering to the LORD: two young bulls, one ram, and seven lambs in their first year, without blemish;” Numbers 28:11 NKJV...

4. "So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a **new moon** or sabbaths."
Colossians 2:16 NKJV
5. **The Payoff:** "He who **has My commandments** and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and **manifest [show, reveal]** Myself to him." John 14:21 NKJV (Obedience first, then revelation)

B. Times and Season and Thieves

(1) 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

- (a) "But concerning the **times and the seasons**, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a **thief in the night**. For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then **sudden destruction comes upon them**, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. **But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.** You are all **sons of light** and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on

the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. **For God did not appoint us to wrath,** but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.”

I Thessalonians 5:1-11 NKJV

1. **times and the seasons (feasts)**
2. Lord so comes as a **thief in the night**
3. **sudden destruction**
4. **you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.** ⁵ You are all **sons of light** and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness.
5. Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but **let us watch and be sober.**
6. God did not appoint us to wrath! (Note the tribulation concerning Satan’s war against the Saints as detailed in Revelation is not the wrath of God but the wrath of Satan)

(2) No one knows the day or the hour—WATCH THEREFORE

- (a) ““**But of that day and hour no one knows,** not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. **But as the days of**

Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. **Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.** But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." Matthew 24:36-44 NKJV

1. "But of that day and hour no one knows,
2. as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. (Noah we prepared those in darkness WERE NOT!)
3. Then **two men will be in the field:** one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹ **Two women will be grinding at the mill:** one will be taken and the other left.

4. **Watch therefore**, for you do not know what hour^{fi} your Lord is coming. **4But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into.**
5. Therefore you also **be ready**, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

C. What does it look like to be READY? It looks like Joseph

(1) Faithful and Wise Servant

- (a) **“Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing.”** Matthew 24:45-46 NKJV

(2) Joseph to Pharaoh:

- (a) **““Now therefore, let Pharaoh select a discerning and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt... “Then that food shall be as a reserve for the land for the seven years of famine which shall be in the land of Egypt, that the land may not perish during the famine.””** Genesis 41:33, 36 NKJV

1. **Who then is a faithful and wise servant**
2. **whom the master can make ruler over his household**

3. **to give them food in due season (famine)**
4. **Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing."**

(3) Pharaoh to Joseph:

(a) "And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?" Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is **no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house**, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you." And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt."" Genesis 41:38-41 NKJV

1. select a discerning and wise man
2. and **set him over the land of Egypt.**
3. Reserve food for the **so the land may not perish during the famine."**
4. **no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house**

D. Last Trumpet blast (He comes)

(1) In a Moment...

(a) "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit

incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— **in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this **corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality**, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: **“Death is swallowed up in victory.”** I Corinthians 15:50-54 NKJV

1. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed
2. WHEN? in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trumpet.** For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
3. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.
4. Death is swallowed up in victory.

(2) The Last Trumpet

- (a) “The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the

things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, **but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel [the seventh and last trumpet], when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished**, as He declared to His servants the prophets.” Revelation 10:5-7 NKJV

1. **that there should be delay no longer,**
2. the days of **the sounding of the seventh angel**, [THE LAST TRUMPET]
3. **the mystery of The Almighty would be finished**, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

IT MATTERS TO YOU

7. It all points to Christ

A. Our Common Fathers

- (1) “Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that **all our fathers** were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, **and that Rock was Christ**. But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies

were scattered in the wilderness. Now **these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted.** And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.” **Nor let us** commit sexual immorality, as **some of them did**, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell; **nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted**, and were destroyed by serpents; **nor complain, as some of them also complained**, and were destroyed by the destroyer. **Now all these things happened to them as examples**, and they were written **for our admonition**, upon whom the ends of the ages have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation **will also make the way of escape**, that you may be able to bear it.” I Corinthians 10:1-13 NKJV

B. Once Gentiles

- (1) “Therefore remember that you, **once Gentiles in the flesh**—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— **that at that**

time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."

Ephesians 2:11-13 NKJV

C. The Feasts of the Lord are shadows of things to come!

- (1) "So let **no one judge you** in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are **a shadow of things to come**, but the substance *[body] *is of Christ [but the Body of Christ]."* Colossians 2:16-17 NKJV
- (2) **Special Note:** you can remove the word 'is' in verse 17 as it was added for clarity and is not needed when this verse is interpreted correctly; and replace 'substance' with 'body' as it is literary what the Greek word (sōma) means here (Body; the body of the Church), "*Let no one judge you...but the body of Christ.*" In other words, the verse does not say no one should judge you, but rather, as a Christian, ONLY the body of Christ should judge you. This is consistent with what scriptures teach about who we should be judging and who shall judge us. "*For what have I to do with **judging those also who are***

outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? But those who are outside God judges. Therefore “put away from yourselves the evil person.”” (I Corinthians 5:12-13) We are further warned to not be hypocrites while we judge (See Matthew 7:1-5 and Romans 2:1-3). However, in the end, we will participate in judging the world, so we ought to be able to rightly judge one another now (the Church judging the Church). *“Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints? **Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?**” (I Corinthians 6:1-2)* Stepping into this role, and don't be mistaken, it is our role, takes spiritual maturity. *“But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one.” (I Corinthians 2:15)*

D. Patterns and Shadows of GOOD THINGS TO COME!

- (1) “According to all that I show you, that is, **the pattern** of the tabernacle and **the pattern** of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it.” Exodus 25:9 NKJV

- (2) “And see to it that you make them according to **the pattern which was shown you on the mountain.**”
Exodus 25:40 NKJV
- (3) “And you shall raise up the tabernacle **according to its pattern** which you were shown on the mountain.”
Exodus 26:30 NKJV
- (4) “So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are a **shadow of things to come**, but the substance is of Christ.” Colossians 2:16-17 NKJV
- (5) “But Christ came as High Priest of **the good things to come**, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.” Hebrews 9:11 NKJV
- (6) “For the law, having a **shadow of the good things to come**, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.”
Hebrews 10:1 NKJV

1. Summary of It Matters to You

2. All who left Egypt and faced all those trials in the wilderness are considered your ancestors, no matter what your bloodline.

3. We are linked through Christ to every event, every test, and every failure or victory encountered by Israel. They were examples for the Body of Christ. But, we are EXPECTED have a better response!
4. *“Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted.”* 1 Cor. 10:5
5. And even with the worst failings, with a life in Christ there is always a way out!
6. In Christ you are NO LONGER a Gentile (pagan, of the nations) but a member of the Commonwealth of Israel.
7. The Feasts of Yahweh serve as prophetic shadow pictures (patterns) of things to come, thus it is commanded for the Church to practice them in order to be spiritually discerning of God’s prophetic strategies and what He is doing in the earth.
8. The High Priest and the Law—yes, also shadows of things to come!
9. We must be aware of all the patterns and shadows.

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

8. Copies and Shadows of Heavenly Things (See Video [Yom Kippur: Shadow of Things to Come](#))

A. Shadow and Patterns

(1) **Hebrews Yom Kippur:** what we see in Leviticus serves as the copy and shadow of the heavenly things—so “See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain.”

(a) *“Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man. For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore it is necessary that this One also have something to offer. **For if He were on earth, He would not be a priest, since there are priests who offer the gifts according to the law; who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was divinely instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said, “See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain [from Exodus 25:40].”**” Hebrews 8:1-5 NKJV*

- (b) “Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, **not without blood, which he offered for himself** and for the people’s sins committed in ignorance;...
- (c) **But Christ came as High Priest** of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. **Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood** He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.” Hebrews 9:6-7, 11-12 NKJV
- (2) **Leviticus:** The High Priest enters into the Holy of Holies, only one time per year, to make atonement for tabernacle, the altar, himself and his family, all the priests, and the people!
- (a) “and the LORD said to Moses: “Tell Aaron your brother **not to come at just any time into the Holy Place inside the veil**, before the mercy seat which is on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud above the mercy seat.” Leviticus 16:2 NKJV

(b) "Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, **which is for himself**, and make atonement for himself and for his house... And Aaron shall bring the bull of the sin offering, **which is for himself**, and make atonement for himself and for his house, and shall kill the bull as the sin offering which is for himself." Leviticus 16:6, 11 NKJV

(c) ""This shall be a statute forever for you: **In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month**, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether a native of your own country or a stranger who dwells among you. For on that day **the priest shall make atonement** for you, to cleanse you, that you may be clean from all your sins before the LORD. Leviticus 16:29-30

(d) then he shall make atonement for the Holy Sanctuary, and **he shall make atonement for the tabernacle of meeting and for the altar, and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.** This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, **once a year.**" And he did as the LORD commanded Moses." Leviticus 16:33-34 NKJV

(3) The command for The Day of Atonement appears with all the other Feasts of The Lord in Leviticus 23 where it is commanded:

- (a) “And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, **these are My feasts.**” Leviticus 23:1-2 NKJV
- (b) “And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: “**Also the tenth day of this seventh month shall be the Day of Atonement.** It shall be a holy convocation for you; **you shall afflict your souls [Fast]**, and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. And you shall do no work on that same day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God. For any person who is not afflicted in soul on that same day shall be cut off from his people. And any person who does any work on that same day, that person I will destroy from among his people. You shall do no manner of work; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. **It shall be to you a sabbath of solemn rest, and you shall afflict your souls;** on the ninth day of the month at evening, from evening

to evening, you shall celebrate your sabbath.” Leviticus 23:26-32 NKJV

1. **Key Distinctions to look out for:** The High Priest of the Levitical priesthood must FIRST make a sacrifice for his own sins and those of his household, BEFORE he can enter the Holy of Holies. And he must repeat this procedure one time per year and he can only enter ONE TIME PER YEAR. The High Priest of our salvation, Y’shua, not of the earthly Levitical line of priests (He was from Judah), but of the heavenly line, Melchizedek, needs no sacrifice for His own sins first, and need only enter the Holy of Holies ONE TIME EVER, which then makes a way for His people to enter continually!

(4) **Animal Copies and Shadows:** It is beneficial if you can understand why the priest has to make two categories of sacrifices on the Day of Atonement and why seemingly Y’shua only made one as taught to us in the letter of Hebrews.

(5) **Sin Offerings**

(a) **First the Sacrifices for himself—The BULL sin offering and the RAM burnt offering for the priest:** “Thus Aaron shall come into the Holy Place: with the blood of a

young bull as a sin offering, and of a ram as a burnt offering... **“Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house.”** Leviticus 16:3, 6 NKJV

- (b) **Then the sacrifice for the world—the Goat sin offering for the people:** **““Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which is for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat.”** Leviticus 16:15 NKJV

1. **Key Distinctions:** here is the clear picture of the priest needing to first become atoned for by making sin offerings for himself, before he can do anything for the people. Y’shua never sinned and therefore could freely enter the Holy of Holies **without** an offering for His own sins.

(6) Burnt Offerings

- (a) **The ram burnt offerings for the priest and people:** **“And he shall wash his body with water in a holy place, put on his garments, come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people.”** Leviticus 16:24 NKJV (These offerings might be symbolic of our

role as the “new heavenly royal, line of David, priesthood.)

1. **Key Distinctions:** the heavenly Priesthood is from the line of David from whom Y’shua came and from whom, we as the church, come. *“But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;”* I Peter 2:9 NKJV
2. We are washed clean by the blood of the Lamb: But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.” Ephesians 2:13
3. Washing with the Word (Y’shua): “that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the **washing of water** by the word,” (Ephesians 5:26 NKJV) “And such were some of you. But you **were washed**, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.” I Corinthians 6:11 NKJV

(7) Bonus Imagery

- (a) **The Passover Lamb:** “Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from

the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall **take some of the blood** and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it. (Exodus 12:5-7) ... And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will **strike all the firstborn** in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. **Now the blood shall be a sign** for you on the houses where you are. And **when I see the blood**, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt." Exodus 12:11-13 NKJV

(b) **Y'shua as the Passover Lamb;**

1. "Your glorying is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. **For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.** Therefore let us

keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” I

Corinthians 5:6-8 NKJV

2. “He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; **He was led as a lamb to the slaughter**, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.” Isaiah 53:7 NKJV
3. **Key Distinctions:** the spotless lamb is sacrificed (sinless Y’shua crucified) and the applied blood shall be a sign for Yahweh to spare the FIRSTBORNS. We become members of the Church of Firstborn (Hebrews 12:23) when we apply the blood of Y’shua.

MESSIAH AND THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

9. Heavenly Things

A. The Scapegoat

(1) **The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities...**

- (a) “And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel **two kids of the goats as a sin offering**, and one ram as a burnt offering.” Leviticus 16:5 NKJV
- (b) “He shall take the two goats and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then

Aaron shall cast lots for the two goats: **one lot for the LORD and the other lot for the scapegoat.** And Aaron shall bring the goat on which the LORD's lot fell, and offer it as a sin offering. **But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive** before the LORD, to make atonement upon it, and to let it go as the scapegoat into the wilderness." Leviticus 16:7-10 NKJV

- (c) "Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, **confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins,** putting them on the head of the goat, and shall **send it away [rejected by man—Is. 53]** into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. **The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an uninhabited land [descended into the lower parts of the earth—Eph. 4:7-10]** ; and he shall release the goat in the wilderness." Leviticus 16:21-22 NKJV

B. Y'shua our Scapegoat

- (1) **He was bruised for our iniquities...** But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive... confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins...

- (a) “He is despised and **rejected by men**, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, **He was bruised for our iniquities**; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And **by His stripes we are healed**. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; **And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all**. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.” Isaiah 53:3-7 NKJV
- (b) “who Himself **bore our sins in His own body** on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness— **by whose stripes you were healed**.” I Peter 2:24 NKJV
- (c) “For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that **Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures**,” I Corinthians 15:3 NKJV

- (d) “And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, **why have You forsaken Me?**”” Matthew 27:46 NKJV (From Psalm 22—“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, And from the words of My groaning?” Psalms 22:1) [The Goat being abandoned]
- (e) “The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God **who takes away the sin of the world!**” John 1:29 NKJV
- (f) “For He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us**, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” II Corinthians 5:21 NKJV
- (g) “But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore He says: “When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men.” [from Ps. 68:18] (Now this, “He ascended”—what does it mean but that **He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?** He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)” Ephesians 4:7-10 NKJV

C. **The Real Thing—the CONNECTION POINTS BECOME CLEAR!**

(1) **His blood covers you and gives you access behind the veil**

(a) **Past, Present and Future Sins:** “My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. **And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins,** and not for ours only but also for the whole world.” 1 John 2:1-2 NKJV

(b) **“In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins,** according to the riches of His grace which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him. In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your

salvation; in whom also, having believed, **you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession,** to the praise of His glory.”

Ephesians 1:7-14 NKJV

- (c) And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. **Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn** in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many.” Matthew 27:50-53 NKJV
- (d) “Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: **We have such a High Priest,** who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.” Hebrews 8:1-2 NKJV
- (e) “For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore **it is necessary** that this One also have something to offer.” Hebrews 8:3 NKJV

(f) “Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. **But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people’s sins committed in ignorance; the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing.** It was **symbolic** for the **present time** in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service perfect in regard to the conscience— concerned only with foods and drinks, various washings, and fleshly ordinances imposed until the time of reformation. **But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come,** with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but **with His own blood** He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.”
Hebrews 9:6-12 NKJV

(g) **“Therefore it was necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these,** but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices

than these. For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, **which are copies of the true**, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;" Hebrews 9:23-24 NKJV

(h) **"not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another—** He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He **has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.** And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, **so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many.** To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a **second time**, apart from sin, for salvation." Hebrews 9:25-28 NKJV

(i) **THE TURNING POINT WHERE IT BECOMES ABOUT US!** "For the law, having a **shadow of the good things** to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, **make those who approach perfect.** For then would they not have ceased to be offered? **For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins.** But in those sacrifices there is a

reminder of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.”

Hebrews 10:1-4 NKJV

(j) “And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. **But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool.** For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.” Hebrews 10:11-14 NKJV

(k) “**Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus,** by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, **let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience** and our bodies washed with pure water.” Hebrews 10:19-22 NKJV

1. **Key Distinctions: there is so much here!**
2. Y’shua is our scapegoat
3. Y’shua is the propitiation for our sins

4. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins (past, present and future)
5. He was forsaken as the sinless sacrifice so we can enter behind the veil safely, like the High priest could, but rather than one time per year, we enter continuously. The High Priest could not ever without another sacrifice for his own sins. Our sin sacrifice is handled FOREVER!
6. Y'shua is our High Priest who must follow the patterns of the earthly priest. Can you see why it is so important to study the Torah from where all the patterns come?
7. The earthly High Priest can go into the Holy of Holies only once per year and he must be cleansed first by making a sin offering for himself. Also, it is important to note that the Hebrews passage mentions "while the first tabernacle still has a standing, which is symbolic of the present time **in which sacrifices are still being offered.**" (the time Hebrews was written was about 30 year after Christ and the author teaches us that the tabernacle STILL HAS A STANDING).
8. The Heavenly High Priest (Christ) came with blood sacrificed for "good things to come", again this future

language alludes to something still coming even though this is 30 years post resurrection!

9. Y'shua must follow the patterns. It is clear that the earthly is a copy or shadow of the heavenly. Y'shua simply does not have to do it more than once. He is appointed to die once and then waits for a second appearance at which time He will appear when sin has been extinguished from God's people. This is antithetical to almost all modern Christian Theology, but it is consistent with Y'shua's teaching throughout His ministry and with the preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom. [Matthew 5:48; 1 John 3:9)
10. Again we see the futuristic language of Hebrews; the shadow of good things to come, the good things making those made clean perfect, who once purified would have no more consciousness of sin. Since we as the church still do have such, these events are still in our future!
11. After He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, He sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. He is waiting for sin to be abolished in the earth. This is prophetic for us as Christians in the restoration of all

things (see Acts 3:21 and Matthew 17:11) and the revealing of the sons of God (Romans 8:18-21).

12. The mantel passes and we are now able to enter the Holy of Holies just as the High Priest could. But unlike Y'shua and more like Aaron (for now) we need a sacrifice to do so. And that sacrifice is Y'shua, the Bull sin offering.
13. [**Contemplation**] Then once we are perfected and no longer need Y'shua as a sacrifice, we can become the sacrifice for others. "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." John 15:13 NKJV

(2) The True and Living Sacrifice

- (a) **Y'shua and the bull sin offering and the ram burnt offering for the priest; Y'shua did NOT NEED a bull sin offering is to enter! He IS THE SIN OFFERING!**

1. "But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. **Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all,** having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling

the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, **how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot** to God, **cleanse your conscience** from dead works to serve the living God?" Hebrews 9:11-14 NKJV

2. "But this Man, after He had offered one **sacrifice for sins forever**, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool." Hebrews 10:12-13 NKJV

(b) The ram burnt offering and the Goat sin offering for the people. Is this sacrifice fulfilled by Y'shua or someone else?

1. "Therefore you shall **be perfect**, just as your Father in heaven is perfect." Matthew 5:48 NKJV
2. "For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had **no more consciousness of sins.**" Hebrews 10:2 NKJV
3. "let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts **sprinkled from an evil conscience** and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:22 NKJV

4. "I beseech **you** therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you **present your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1 NKJV
5. "Greater love has no one than this, than **to lay down one's life for his friends.**" John 15:13 NKJV
6. "Husbands, love your wives, **just as Christ** also loved the church and **gave Himself for her,**" Ephesians 5:25 NKJV
7. "When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those **who had been slain** for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, **who would be killed** as they were, was completed." Revelation 6:9-11 NKJV

(c) Your Turn

1. "I affirm, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, **I die daily.**" I Corinthians 15:31 NKJV
2. "**I have been crucified with Christ**; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain."" Galatians 2:20-21 NKJV
3. "Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and **take up his cross**, and follow Me." Matthew 16:24 NKJV
4. "And whoever does not **bear his cross** and come after Me cannot be My disciple." Luke 14:27 NKJV

1) Summary: the True and Living Sacrifice

- 2) Y'shua's sacrifice paved the way FOREVER
- 3) Be the living sacrifice
- 4) Lay down your life
- 5) Just as Messiah, give your life
- 6) Be a perfect lamb
- 7) No more consciousness of sin
- 8) End of the age martyrs

TABERNACLES AND THE LAST GREAT DAY

10. Tabernacles Details

A. The Command

(1) Do it because...

- (a) “Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘**The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days to the LORD. On the first day there shall be a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work on it.** For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. **On the eighth day you shall have a holy convocation, and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. It is a sacred assembly, and you shall do no customary work on it. ‘These are the feasts of the LORD which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire to the LORD, a burnt offering and a grain offering, a sacrifice and drink offerings, everything on its day— besides the Sabbaths of the LORD, besides your gifts, besides all your vows, and besides all your freewill offerings which you give to the LORD. ‘Also on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep the feast of the LORD for seven**

days; on the **first day there shall be a sabbath-rest, and on the eighth day a sabbath-rest.** And you shall take for yourselves on the first day the fruit of beautiful trees, branches of palm trees, the boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days. You shall keep it as a feast to the LORD for seven days in the year. **It shall be a statute forever in your generations.** You shall celebrate it in the seventh month. You shall dwell in booths for seven days. **All who are native Israelites shall dwell in booths, that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.'** " So Moses declared to the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD." Leviticus 23:33-44 NKJV

(2) Greater Detail...

- (a) **“On the fifteenth day of the seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work, and you shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days.** You shall present a burnt offering, an offering made by fire as a sweet aroma to the LORD: thirteen young bulls, two rams, and fourteen lambs in their first year. They shall be without blemish. Their grain offering

shall be of fine flour mixed with oil: three-tenths of an ephah for each of the thirteen bulls, two-tenths for each of the two rams, and one-tenth for each of the fourteen lambs; also one kid of the goats as a sin offering, besides the regular burnt offering, its grain offering, and its drink offering." Numbers 29:12-16 NKJV

1. "On the second day present twelve young bulls, two rams, fourteen lambs in their first year without blemish,
 2. 'On the third day present eleven bulls, two rams, fourteen lambs in their first year without blemish,
 3. 'On the fourth day present ten bulls, two rams, and fourteen lambs in their first year, without blemish,
 4. 'On the fifth day present nine bulls, two rams, and fourteen lambs in their first year without blemish,
 5. 'On the sixth day present eight bulls, two rams, and fourteen lambs in their first year without blemish,
 6. 'On the seventh day present seven bulls, two rams, and fourteen lambs in their first year without blemish,
Numbers 29:17, 20, 23, 26, 29, 32
- (b) **'On the eighth day you shall have a sacred assembly. You shall do no customary work.** You shall present a burnt offering, an offering made by fire as a sweet

aroma to the LORD: one bull, one ram, seven lambs in their first year without blemish, and their grain offering and their drink offerings for the bull, for the ram, and for the lambs, by their number, according to the ordinance; also one goat as a sin offering, besides the regular burnt offering, its grain offering, and its drink offering.”

Numbers 29:35-38 NKJV

(3) **The Eight Day**

- (a) See the significance and all the imagery below in section (6)

B. **Zechariah — Millennial kingdom**

(1) **Gotta do it!**

- (a) “And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, **and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain.** If the family of Egypt will not come up and enter in, they shall have no rain; they shall receive the plague with which the LORD strikes the nations who do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of

Egypt and the punishment of all the nations that do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.” Zechariah 14:16-19 NKJV

C. Y’shua and the Feasts of Tabernacles according to John

(1) He tabernacled among us!

- (a) “The Word became flesh and **made his dwelling [Tabernacled]** among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14 NKJV

(2) It’s the Feast of Tabernacles

- (a) “After these things Jesus walked in Galilee; for He did not want to walk in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill Him. Now the Jews’ **Feast of Tabernacles was at hand**. His brothers therefore said to Him, “Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You are doing. For no one does anything in secret while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world.” For even His brothers did not believe in Him. Then Jesus said to them, “My time has not yet come, but your time is always ready. The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil. You go up to this feast. I am not yet going up to this feast, for

My time has not yet fully come.” When He had said these things to them, He remained in Galilee.” John 7:1-9 NKJV

(3) I’m doing what the law says to do, what about you?

- (a) “But when His brothers had gone up, then He also went up to the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. **Then the Jews sought Him at the feast**, and said, “Where is He?” And there was much complaining among the people concerning Him. Some said, “He is good”; others said, “No, on the contrary, He deceives the people.” However, no one spoke openly of Him for fear of the Jews. **Now about the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and taught.** And the Jews marveled, saying, “How does this Man know letters, having never studied?” Jesus answered them and said, **“My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me.** If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own **authority.** He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but He who seeks the glory of the One who sent Him is true, and no unrighteousness is in Him. Did not Moses give you the law, **yet none of you keeps the law?** Why do you seek to kill Me?” The

people answered and said, "You have a demon. Who is seeking to kill You?" Jesus answered and said to them, "I did one work, and you all marvel. Moses therefore gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man on the Sabbath. If a man receives circumcision on the Sabbath, so that the law of Moses should not be broken, are you angry with Me because I made a man completely well on the Sabbath? Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment.'" John 7:10-24 NKJV

(4) Truth cannot be refuted

- (a) "Now some of them from Jerusalem said, "Is this not He whom they seek to kill? But look! **He speaks boldly, and they say nothing to Him.** Do the rulers know indeed that this is truly the Christ? However, we know where this Man is from; but when the Christ comes, no one knows where He is from." Then Jesus cried out, as He taught in the temple, saying, "You both know Me, and you know where I am from; and **I have not come of Myself, but He who sent Me** is true, whom you do not know. But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He sent Me." Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

And many of the people believed in Him, and said,
“When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than
these which this Man has done?”” John 7:25-31 NKJV

(5) Your sinful heart will find you out

- (a) “The Pharisees heard the crowd murmuring these things concerning Him, and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take Him. Then Jesus said to them, “I shall be with you a little while longer, and then I go to Him who sent Me. **You will seek Me and not find Me,** and where I am you cannot come.” Then the Jews said among themselves, “Where does He intend to go that we shall not find Him? Does He intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks? What is this thing that He said, ‘You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am you cannot come’?”” John 7:32-36 NKJV

(6) The Eighth Day of Tabernacles

- (a) “On **the last day, that great day of the feast,** Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “**If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.** He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.” But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the

Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.” John 7:37-39 NKJV

(7) He revealed deep mysteries about the Feast of Tabernacles, He must be the Christ!

- (a) “Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, **“Truly this is the Prophet.” Others said, “This is the Christ.”** But some said, “Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?” So there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him.” John 7:40-44 NKJV

(8) No man ever spoke like this Man

- (a) “Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, “Why have you not brought Him?” The officers answered, **“No man ever spoke like this Man!”** Then the Pharisees answered them, **“Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed.”** Nicodemus (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, “Does our law judge a man before it hears him

and knows what he is doing?" They answered and said to him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee." John 7:45-52
NKJV

D. And what was Y'shua teaching at the Feast?

(1) I pray you catch how profound it is that Y'shua risked His life to KEEP THE FEAST.

- (a) At the Feast of Tabernacles, it was Jewish tradition to do a **Water Libation Ceremony** or a "Pouring of the water". It is the time of year in which God judges the world for rainfall and the fall season demands the heavy rain or latter rain for the maturing of the wheat harvest; therefore this **ceremony** invokes God's blessing for rain in its proper time.
- (b) During the Feast, the High Priest would take a golden pitcher of water from the Pool of Silaom and return to the Temple and pour it out in a ceremony. (Water Libation)

(2) And Look what Y'shua stood up and taught in the Temple

- (a) "On the last day, that great day of the feast [this refers to the eight day of the Feast of Tabernacles], Jesus stood and cried out, saying, **"If anyone thirsts, let him come**

to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, **out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."** But this **He spoke concerning the Spirit,** whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." John 7:37-39 NKJV

- (b) Note: again, you see the connection between rain, water and the Holy Spirit!
- (c) "Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, "Truly this is the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Will the Christ come out of Galilee?" John 7:40-41 NKJV

E. WHAT IS THE EIGHTH DAY? It is the Last Great Day

(1) I (Simchat Torah (the Joy of the Law)– the end of the Torah reading cycle)

- (a) As we work through the Last Great Day, notice how we land on the Joy of the Law!

(2) Prepared for the Wedding supper

- (a) Revelation 19:6-9 for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.

(3) 8 Equals Eternity- New Heaven and Earth (the actual wedding supper)— Revelation 21:1-5

- (a) Now **I saw a new heaven and a new earth,**

- (b) **New Jerusalem, coming down** out of heaven from The Almighty, **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**
- (c) “Behold, the tabernacle of The Almighty *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. The Almighty Himself will be with them *and be* their The Almighty. ⁴ And The Almighty will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain,
- (d) the former things have passed away
- (e) “Behold, I make all things new.”

(4) The New Heaven and Earth—Matthew 5:17-19

- (a) “Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.
- (b) till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled

(5) Name- New Name (Y’shua circumcised and named on the 8th day)—Revelation 2:17, 22:3-4

- (a) “To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives *it.*”

(6) His name *shall be* on their foreheads. (BABY NAMED ON THE EIGHT DAY)—Revelation 22:3-4

- (a) On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Y'shua, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived. (Luke 2:21)'

(7) Again- the 8th day in Revelation just as He taught at the Feast

- (a) **Revelation 21:6** And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. **I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.**
- (b) **Revelation 22:1-2** **And he showed me a pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of The Almighty and of the Lamb. ² In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each *tree* yielding its fruit every month.

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

1. Compare a solar year to a lunar year:

- F. How does the discrepancy affect the calendar?
- G. How are they both related to the four seasons?
- H. How are they both related to the annual Biblical Feast cycle?
- I. How is the discrepancy rectified every few years?

2. Passover

- A. What three Biblical Feasts are related to the Passover?
- B. What do each of those represent prophetically, and how are they fulfilled in Y'shua?
- C. How is each Feast located on the calendar?
- D. What was special about the timing of these Feasts the year Y'shua was crucified and how was the timing a confirmation of Y'shua's own words?
- E. Why is Passover still relevant at present and for our future?

3. Pentecost

- A. What is the prophetic significance of Pentecost?
- B. How do you find Pentecost on the Biblical Feast calendar?
- C. Why were the disciples all together, along with so many other visitors to Jerusalem, in the first century when "Pentecost" happened?
- D. How is Pentecost related to the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai and what was the Festival called back then?

4. Trumpets

- A. How do you find the Feast of Trumpets on the Calendar?
- B. Why is this holiday celebrated as the "New Year" (Rosh Hashanah) in Judaism?
- C. Why is it prophetically significant for Christians?
- D. How does it relate to Paul's and Y'shua's words in:

- (1) **1 Thessalonians 5:1-11:** *“But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief?”*
- (2) **1 Corinthians 50:50-54:** *“For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed?”*
- (3) **Matthew 24:36-44:** *“Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming?”*

5. Yom Kippur

- A. How do you find Yom Kippur on the Calendar?
- B. How is it prophetically significant for Christians?
- C. Why do you think we are commanded to fast on this day each year?
- D. How does the shedding of Y’shua’s blood relate to this day?
- E. Why is understanding the two priesthoods so important to understand Yom Kippur?
- F. How is the Church involved with Yom Kippur at the end-of-the-age?

6. Tabernacles

- A. How do you find the Feast of Tabernacles on the Calendar?
- B. How is it prophetically significant for Christians?
- C. How is the birth and life of Y’shua related to this Festival?
- D. How might it be significant to our understanding of being sojourners living in the temporary dwellings of our bodies?

7. The Last Great Day

- A. How do you find the Last Great Day on the Calendar?
- B. How is it prophetically significant for Christians?
- C. How is it related to the Feast of Tabernacles and what did Y'shua teach about in John 7:37-38?
- D. How then, in light of that teaching, was Y'shua a fulfillment of that special day, and how does it signify our future eternity?
- E. What took place on this special day when Y'shua was an infant and what same thing will take place for us on the same day in the future?