# The Haggadah

# The Telling 2025

#### **IMPORTANT LINK**

WHEN YOUR

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**CHILDREN ASK...** 

## Welcome to the Passover with Kingdom Embassy Ministries

When your children ask, what will you tell them? What happens when God's children have separated from their roots, forgotten their heritage, and have no recollection from where they came? Yahweh built reminders into His culture to deter that from happening, but unfortunately it has. Christians have disconnected from the roots of their faith, surrendered to common culture, and adopted the traditions of the world around them. "Do not love the world or the things of the world," John warned. Are you guilty of committing the same neglect, of which Y'shua accused the religious hypocrites in His day, "making the word of God of no effect through their traditions which they have handed down?"

I fear that too many Christians today could offer no acceptable defense for their traditions! "How can this be true?" you might be thinking. Just look around during the holidays and you will see the majority of Christians flocking to manmade celebrations, steeped in

pagan traditions. And if their children ask, "What do these holidays mean?" or, "Has God has allowed us to do this?" they will have no legitimate answer. Instead like religious hypocrites, they have "made the word of God of no effect through their traditions," which they too are handing down to their children. If Y'shua appeared on the earth today, would He ask a similar question of our religious leaders that He asked two thousand years ago? "Why do you violate the word of God with your traditions?" And would they be angered by Him as they were, or would they change? John warned us about loving the things of the world, "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life..." May the Body of Christ once again run from such things.

Then, the next time your children ask, "What does this holiday mean?" with confidence you will be able to say, "It's the Passover; we were slaves and now we are free; may your children tell their children, and their children the next generation. It is a memorial forever." The frightening alternative is this, "These are our pagan roots; go find your painted eggs and chocolate Easter bunnies. Fill your baskets; this is now how we remember the death, burial and resurrection of our blessed Savior." Oh, how far we have fallen from the truth! I don't know about you, but when my children ask, I will say "As for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh!"

## **The Four Pillars of Kingdom Embassy Ministries**

- 1. **Remembering our Roots:** We honor the importance of knowing the *Hebrew Roots of Christianity*. If we don't know from where we came, we will never truly understand where we are going.
- 2. **Restoring Authority:** The Church was built on Y'shua as the *Chief Cornerstone* with the equal authority given to the *Apostolic and Prophetic* Offices. The Prophetic Office has been suppressed and dormant and must return to its proper authority.
- 3. **Maturing Disciples:** We are called to train *Disciples* not just make *Converts*. Sure, we must preach salvation to all those who will hear, but once someone comes to faith, that is when the real journey from childhood to adulthood begins.
- 4. **Advancing the Kingdom:** We are charged with preaching the *Gospel of the Kingdom* to the whole world, as witness the nations before the end can come. It necessitates distinguishing that complex message from the simple *Gospel of Salvation*.

#### What is Passover?

- It's symbolic of Bondage into Freedom
- It's the picture of a Journey to a Destination
- It identifies and separates Firstborn Sons and Non-Firstborns
- It indicates a transition from Childhood to Maturity (Adulthood)
- It's the END of one world and the start of a new world

#### INTRODUCTION TO PASSOVER

# 1. The Haggadah—the Telling

## A. "How did Y'shua prepare for the Passover?"

- (1) The Preparation Day
  - (a) You can learn how Y'shua Prepared for the Passover here: Go Preparare the Passover.
  - (b) It's the most important message He could leave with us before He became the ultimate Passover Lamb.

#### **B.** Passover for Jews

- (1) OBLIGATED to FEEL
  - (a) Judaism teaches that Jews in every generation are OBLIGATED to FEEL as though they personally experienced the Exodus (**Remember the Passover**).
    - 1. "On that day <u>tell</u> [Haggadah] your son, "I do this because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt." This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that this law of the LORD is to be on your lips. For the LORD brought you [our ancestors!] out of Egypt [Passover] with his mighty hand. You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time year after year." (Exodus 13:8-10)

"This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come [including Christians!] you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD – a lasting ordinance." (Exodus 12:14)

## C. Passover for Christians

- (1) Christians too are taught to REMEMBER
  - (a) Your ancestors were there, even if you are not Jewish!
    - 1. "For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that <u>our ancestors</u> [Corinthians were Greeks, not Jews] were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ."

      (1 Corinthians 10:1-4)
  - (b) Why is Passover important to you, as a Christian?
    - "Get rid of the old leaven, so that you may be a new unleavened batch as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Feast, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

# D. Connecting the Dots

- (1) To whom is this addressed?
  - (a) The Passover Lamb (Exodus 12:1-11)
    - 1. This month shall be the first month of the year.
    - 2. On the tenth of this month every man shall take a lamb for his household (or with his neighbor).
    - 3. It shall be without blemish, a male of the first year.
    - 4. On the fourteenth day of the month kill it at twilight.
    - 5. Take its blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where it's to be eaten.
    - 6. None of it shall remain until morning; eat it in haste.
    - 7. It is the Lord's Passover.
  - (b) The Passover Lamb
    - 1. "The next day John [the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! **The Lamb of God** who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29)
  - (c) Striking Imagery (Isaiah 53)
    - 1. "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**." Isaiah 53:3-6

- a) "Father, if it is Your will, **take this cup from Me**; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."... "

  And **being in agony**, He prayed more earnestly.

  Then His **sweat became like great drops of blood** falling down to the ground." (Luke 22:42-44)
- b) Pilate took Jesus and scourged Him. (John 19:1)
- c) Why have You forsaken Me? (Matthew 27:46)
- 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
  - a) False testimony against Him: The high priest asked Him, "Do You answer nothing? But Jesus kept silent. (Matthew 26:59-63)
  - b) While being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing. He answered not one word. (Matthew 27:11-14)

- 3. "He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken." Isaiah 53:8
  - a) The people plotted against Jesus to put Him to death. The Religious Leaders bound Him and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate. (Matthew 27:1-2)
  - b) They crucified Him between two criminals. Even the robbers reviled Him. Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do. Jesus died!

    (Matthew 27:35-50; Luke 23:32-34)
- 4. "And they made His grave with the wicked—But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth." Isaiah 53:9
  - a) He is swapped for a criminal; Barabbas was released and Y'shua was scourged and delivered to be crucified. (Matthew 27:26)
  - b) He was buried in a rich man's tomb (Matthew 27:57-60)
  - c) "Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no fault in this Man." (Luke 23:4)

- 5. "Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand." Isaiah 53:10
  - a) They stripped Him; placed a crown of thorns on His head; mocked Him; spat on Him; struck Him. (Matthew 27:28-31)
  - b) "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" (Matthew 27:46)
  - c) "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?" (Ephesians 4:8-9)
  - d) "And **He put all things under His feet**, and gave **Him to be head over all things** to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all." Ephesians 1:22-23

## E. Passover is for Christians!

- (1) You are all sons of God through faith in Christ...
  - (a) There is neither Jew nor Greek...

- 1. "For you are <u>all</u> sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." (Galatians 3:26-29)
- (b) You were once a Gentiles, but no longer...
  - 1. "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." Ephesians 2:11-18

#### THE TELLING

# 2. Passover tradition is to tell the story (Haggadah)

# A. The Exodus Story

- (1) The Jewish Telling... (Read Exodus 1-15)
  - (a) Exodus 6:1-9
    - 1. See what I will do to Pharaoh.
    - 2. Pharaoh will drive them out of his land.
    - 3. Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob knew Me as Almighty God.
    - 4. Moses learned My name at the burning bush (Ex. 3).
    - 5. I have heard the groaning & remember My covenant.
    - 6. I'll bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians (1st cup of wine-**Sanctification**).
    - 7. I'll rescue you from their bondage (2nd cup of wine-**Judgement**).
    - 8. I'll redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments (3rd cup of wine-**Redemption**).

- 9. I'll take you as My people, and I will be your God (4th cup of wine-**Kingdom**).
- 10. I'll bring you in and give you the land as a heritage.

# B. The New Testament Story

- (1) The Christian Telling
  - (a) What did Y'shua see as He sat at the table for His Last Supper? (See: <u>Go Preparare the Passover</u>)
    - "These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect."
       (Hebrews 11:39-40)
    - 2. "...fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy that was set before him he endured the cross..." (Hebrews 12:2)
      - a) "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in Me through by hearing their message..." John 17:20
      - b) It is for this reason Christians should rehearse or practice the Passover each year.
        - 1) This Passover let us fix our eyes on Jesus. I can't imagine a better way than to sit where He sat, and see what He saw. Let's take a journey

- together tonight as we look down the table and see through His eyes as He prepared His closest friends for the Passover.
- c) The year Y'shua became the Passover Lamb was the second of three Passovers we might consider "Prophetic Moments" in History.
  - 1) The 1st Passover before the Exodus
  - 2) The 2nd Passover at the Crucifixion
  - 3) The 3rd and ultimate Passover... see Rom. 8:19
- d) See Y'shua's prophetic teachings at the Last Supper Table, and learn about the approaching final Passover in: Go Preparare the Passover

## C. Get the Sin out!

- (1) Ask, "How shall I prepare for the Passover that I may eat?"
  - (a) Examine yourself for sin!
    - 1. "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy that was set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who

endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin."

(Hebrews 12:1-4)

- a) The joy set before **Him** was His closest friends.
- b) And it was at that very table, Y'shua taught us that it was not just them He had in His heart.
  - 1) "I'm not praying for you alone, but also for everyone who comes to faith in Me because of your words." John 17:20
- (b) There is no time to let the bread rise (no time to let sin fester in your life).
  - 1. ...**remove leaven** from your houses. Exodus 12:15
  - 2. "Rise, go out. ...So the people took their dough **before it was leavened**... Exodus 12:31, 34
  - 3. ...**nor shall leaven be seen among you** ...This is done because of what the Lord did for me when I came up from Egypt. Exodus 13:7-8
- (c) Y'shua on Leaven...Beware!
  - "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known."
     Luke 12:1-2

- 2. "Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees." ...not the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees."
  Matthew 16:6, 11-12
- (d) Sin is lawless... DO NOT SIN!
  - 1. "Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness." I John 3:4
  - 2. "Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, ...do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, ... For sin shall not have dominion over you, ... Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not!"

    Romans 6:12-15
- (e) Don't even entertain sin!
  - 1. "...sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it." Genesis 4:7
  - 2. **A little leaven** leavens the whole lump." Gal. 5:9
- (f) Don't ever go back to your old sins!
  - "He who lacks these things is nearsighted; he is approaching total blindness, as if he's forgotten he's been completely cleansed from old sins." 2 Peter 1:9
  - 2. "For if, **after they have escaped the pollutions** of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior

Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them. But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "A dog returns to his own vomit," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."" II Peter 2:20-22

- (2) There are 5 accounts of the Last Supper in the New Testament—four in the Gospels plus Paul's account...
  - (a) Yet Paul was not there, or was he? (1 Cor. 11:23-26)
    - 1. "For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: [we know Paul was not there, but it seems that Y'shua personally revealed exactly what happened at that last supper table] The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me [Passover]." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood [3rd cup of Redemption]; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever

- you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."
- a) **Similar to Luke—Remember!** "Do this in remembrance of me." (Luke 22:19-20)
- b) Matthew and Mark do not use that phrase.
- (3) Paul's account on Passover preparation and discipline...
  - (1 Corinthians 11:27-34)
  - (a) Mirrors Hebrews 12:1 "let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles."
    - 1. "So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord.

      Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup [get the leaven out]. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. But if we were more discerning with regard to ourselves, we would not come under such judgment. Nevertheless, when we are judged in this way by the Lord, we are being disciplined [if you are not disciplined you are not legitimate firstborn sons;

Hebrews 12:3-11] so that we will not be finally condemned with the world [Egypt]." You must examine your sin before you take the bread and blood!

- (b) Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat [get the leaven out]. What might you use to do that?
  - 1. "For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."

    Hebrews 4:12-13

(c) TAKE COMMUNION! Break the Bread! And use this MATZAH as the AFIKOMEN

- 1. Blessed are you Yahweh our God, King of the Universe who set us apart by His Word, and and gives us bread from the earth.
- 2. Take middle Matzah and hide AFIKOMEN
  - a) Greek: "that which comes after"

#### (4) TIME TO EAT

(a) But first, four Children's questions:

- 1. "In days to come, when your son asks you, 'What does this mean?' say to him, 'With a mighty hand Yahweh brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, Yahweh killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to Yahweh the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.' And it will be like a sign on your hand and a symbol on your forehead that Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with his mighty hand." (Exodus 13:14-16)
- (b) **#1 Young Child:** On all other nights we eat bread with leaven. On this night, why do we eat only unleavened bread?
  - 1. This is the bread of affliction, which we call Matzah. It is the bread the Israelites had when they left Egypt in a hurry. Notice how it is pierced, bruised, and stripped. This bread also represents Yahshua the bread of life. Again, this is the bread of affliction that our fathers ate in the land of Egypt. (Bless and eat the Matzah)
    - a) Blessed are you Yahweh our God, King of the Universe who brings forth bread from the earth.

- (c) # 2 Young Child: On all other nights we eat all kinds of vegetables. On this night why do we only eat only bitter herbs?
  - 1. On this night we eat bitter herbs instead of vegetables to remind us of the bitter life of slavery the Israelites had in Egypt. The bitter horseradish also reminds us of the bitter cup that Yahshua took upon himself, dying on the tree for us.
    - a) The father spreads horseradish on each piece of bread, passes a piece to each person...
    - b) Blessed are you Yahweh our God, King of the Universe who has set us apart by his Word, and commanded us to eat Bitter Herbs. (After the blessing all eat.)
- (d) # 3 Young Child: On all other nights we do not dip our vegetables twice. Why on this night do we dip twice?
  - 1. On this night we dip parsley into the salt water, reminding us of the salty tears which the Israelites cried while they were slaves in Egypt. The salt water also reminds us of the tears of Yahshua while he prayed in the garden, on the night He submitted to The Father's will.

- a) Each person dips a piece of parsley into the salt water and eats it.)
- b) **Charoset:** On this night we also dip the Charoset, a sweet mixture made of Apples, Nuts, Raisins, Honey, and Wine. This is to remind us of the clay and bricks the Israelites made to build cities for Pharaoh in Egypt.
- c) Now we will eat again the bitter horseradish,
   except this time we will dip it into the sweet
   Charoset, reminding us of the sweet hope we have
   in Messiah even in bitter circumstances.
- d) Spread a piece of Matzah in the bitter herbs, then dip it into the Charoset, and then eat.
- (e) # 4 Young Child: On all other nights we eat sitting. Why tonight do we eat reclining?
  - 1. On this night we recline for our meal because we are free people. During the first exodus the people were commanded to eat this meal in a hurry. They were to have their belt fastened, their staff in hand, and be ready to leave Egypt on a moment's notice. Just as the Israelites were freed from Pharaohs bondage, so we are free through the blood of the lamb.

[ENJOY YOUR MEAL]

#### PASSOVER LANGUAGE

#### 3. After the Meal...

# A. When the supper had ended...

- (1) What happens after Passover?
  - (a) The Last supper was a rehearsal for Passover
    - "Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying,
       "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you." Luke 22:20
      - a) Please see: <u>Go Preparare the Passover</u> for a detailed explanation.
- (2) The Kingdom!
  - (a) The Kingdom is the prophetic destination of PASSOVER
    - 1. "And I <u>confer on you a kingdom</u>, just as my Father conferred one on Me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." (Luke 22:29-30)
      - a) As in Luke's Account of the Last Supper, and elaborated in John's upper room discourse
         (Kingdom All's) in Go Preparare the Passover
- (3) Four cups of wine (Three now One later)
  - (a) When the Passover meal is celebrated there are four cups of wine used. All four are taken from Exodus 6:6-7 declaring four "I will" promises of Yahweh:

- "Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying,
   "This cup [3rd Cup] is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you [your redemption]."
   Luke 22:20
- 2. Three of Four cups of Wine [Now] "Blessed are You, Yahweh our God, King of the universe, who brings forth the fruit of the vine."
  - a) **Cup of Sanctification:** "I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians."
  - b) **Cup of Judgment:** "I will free you from being their slaves."
  - c) **Cup of Redemption:** "I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts."
    - 1) This is the cup we see in the Last Supper Passover Rehearsal: "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Matthew 26:27-28
  - d) **Cup of the Kingdom:** [LATER] "And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God" (Yahshua did not drink this one)
    - 1) "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I

drink it new with you in **My Father's kingdom**."

Matthew 26:29 [STAY TUNED!]

#### **B.** Three HISTORIC Passovers!

- (1) The first Passover: Deliverance (separation) of firstborns from Egypt followed by Shavuot (the Feast Weeks) and the giving of the law in Exodus.
- (2) The Messiah as the Passover: Deliverance of the church of the firstborn from sin followed by Pentecost (the giving of the Holy Spirit) in Acts.
- (3) The Prophetic Passover (the ultimate): The coming of Elijah and the revealing of the sons of God followed by the RESTORATION of all things at the END of the age! (Romans 8:19, Matthew 24:14)
  - (a) The Church is built on the foundation of the **apostles** and the **prophets**—Ep. 4:18-22
  - (b) Without a prophetic understanding, we would completely miss the prophetic hints about Passover throughout the New Testament (the Gospels, Hebrews, Romans)!

## C. Prophetic Passover

- (1) A prophetic view of **Romans 6–7–8** (a love story)
  - (a) Find the PASSOVER MESSAGES (Captivity—Wilderness—Promised Land) (Journey/Destination)

- 1. Ch6—Bondage to Freedom (death/burial/resurrection)—The Journey begins at Passover
  - a) (1) Passover (2) Unleavened Bread (2) First Fruits
    - 1) (1) baptized into his death? (2) buried with him(3) united with him in a resurrection like his."Romans 6:3-5
- 2. Ch7—Wilderness—Preparing the way, the path is always in the wilderness.
  - a) A voice of one crying, in the wilderness prepare a way for the Lord—Isaiah 40:3
    - 1) Why do I not do what I am supposed to do?
      Who will deliver in me from the body of death?
      Romans 7:18-25
- 3. Ch8— Promised Land—Identifying Sons
  - a) Glorious Liberty that comes with the revealing of the SONS OF GOD—the destination is the Promised land (perfection, maturity, adulthood).
  - b) "For those who are led by the Spirit of God **are the children of God**. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit

that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God." Romans 8:14-21

#### D. LEGITIMATE SONS

- (1) Identified; Freed from bondage; Conformed into His image
  - (a) Adult Sons...
    - Identified: The earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. (Romans 8:19)
    - Freed: Because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. (Rom. 8:21)

Conformed: 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)

#### E. The Distinction

- (1) The revealing of the sons is a Passover Story [a Telling]
  - (a) It brings one people [nation] to an <u>END</u>, and distinguishes [births] another.
    - 1. "Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the female slave, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any person or animal.' [You will be betrayed and hated... "But not a hair of your head shall be lost." Luke 21:16-18] Then you will know that the Lord makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel." Ex. 11:5-7
- (2) The distinction of Firstborns from Firstborns and Firstborns from Non-firstborns
  - (a) Firstborns: at immediate risk of dying in Egypt

- 1) **Firstborns who applied the blood to the doorposts lived:** faith to believe and the blood of the lamb.
- 2) Firstborns who did not apply the blood to the doorposts died: no faith to believe; no blood of the lamb.
- (b) Non-Firstborns: not at immediate risk of dying in Egypt
  - Non-firstborns who came out of Egypt with Israel
     lived: faith to believe; blood of the lamb not required.
  - 2) **Non-firstborns who stayed in Egypt died:** no faith to believe; blood of the lamb not required, eventually died in Egypt.
- F. The End, Elijah, and the Restoration See: Go Preparare the Passover
  - (1) The END is a Passover!
    - (a) The END cannot occur until the Gospel of the Kingdom is preached!
      - 1. "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the **end** will come." **Matthew 24:14**
    - (b) The END cannot come until Elijah comes again to restore all things!
      - 1. "The disciples asked him, "Why then do the teachers of the law say that Elijah must come first?" Jesus

replied, "To be sure, <u>Elijah</u> comes and will <u>RESTORE</u>

<u>ALL THINGS</u>. But I tell you, Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but have done to him everything they wished. [and like Moses when they rejected him] In the same way the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that he was talking to them about John the Baptist." Matthew 17:10-13

- 2. "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." (Malachi 4:4-5)
  - a) PASSOVER and ELIJAH—it's amazing how Judaism sets a place for Elijah at the table each year and is waiting for him to show up at Passover, yet in most of Christianity there is no awareness that Elijah must come first.
- (c) The END is a RESTORATION of all things!
  - "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 [Malachi] since the world began." Acts 3:19-21

- (2) Now let us pour the 4<sup>th</sup> and final cup—the cup of the Kingdom! [Don't drink it just yet!]
  - (a) **Lift up the 4th cup** (the cup of the Kingdom):
    - 1. "I will take you as my own people and I will be your Almighty." Then you will know that I am the Yahweh your Mighty One, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians." (Exodus 6:7)
    - 2. Plagues (Testimonies): Use 4th cup to dip your finger each time...(Exodus 7-11)
      - a) Exodus 7
        - 1) The Plague of Blood
      - b) Exodus 8
        - 2) The Plague of Frogs
        - 3) The Plague of Lice
        - 4) The Plague of Flies
      - c) Exodus 9
        - 5) The Plague on Livestock
        - 6) The Plague of Boils
        - 7) The Plague of Hail

## d) Exodus 10

- 8) The Plague of Locusts
- 9) The Plague of Darkness

#### e) Exodus 11

10) The Plague on the Firstborn

## (3) The Kingdom and The Passover!

#### (a) THIS IS THE KINGDOM!

- 1. "And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."" (Luke 22:29-30)
- 2. "And this **gospel of the kingdom** will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the **end** will come." (Matthew 24:14)
- 3. Upper Room Discourse! "O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them." (John 17:25-26)
- (4) The 4<sup>th</sup> cup (Kingdom) Y'shua did not drink the cup, yet!

- (a) "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom." Matthew 26:29
- (b) Let us lift our cup (also the cup of praise) for a fourth and final time tonight and let us give praise to Yahweh our Redeemer.

# 1. Response: His mercy and grace endure forever.

- a) Give thanks to Yahweh, for He is good.
- b) Give thanks to the God of Gods. .
- c) Give thanks to the Lord of Lords.
- d) To Him who alone has done great wonders.
- e) To Him who skillfully made the heavens.
- f) To Him who spread out the earth on the water.
- g) To Him who struck down Egypt's firstborn.
- h) And brought us out from among them.
- i) With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm.
- j) Who remembers us whenever we are brought low.
- k) Give thanks to the God of heaven.

## (c) THE LORD'S PRAYER

 "Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen." (Matthew 6:9-13)

- a) Drink the 4th cup
  - 1) Let us bless and partake of the cup of praise in anticipation of when we will drink it again with Yahshua in the Kingdom to come
  - 2) Blessed are You, Yahweh our Mighty God, King of the Universe, who creates the fruit of the vine!
  - 3) Drink now the fourth cup with rejoicing!

#### THE BREAD OF LIFE

## 4. The Bread of Life has risen!

#### A. FIND AFIKOMEN

- (1) He came to set the captives free!
  - (a) In Greek AFIKOMEN means: "that which comes after"
    - 1. Now after the Sabbath, as the first *day* of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.... "But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen... (Matthew 28:1, 5-7)

- (b) He is the Bread of life: Look at the matzah: it is striped, pierced, bruised—it is Messiah
  - 1. "I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness [Ex. 16:4], and are dead. This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world."" (John 6:48-51)
- (c) HE CAME TO SET THE CAPTIVES FREE! And we are called to be just like Him!
  - "...until 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

## B. <u>BONUS: The Prophetic Take-away for Passover</u>

- (1) Prepare to be the bread of life...
  - (a) Prepare to **do Greater works!** 
    - 1. "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and **greater works** than these he will do, because I go to My Father."

      (John 14:12)

# (2) **Prophetic Gold**—

- (a) Feed the people in the time of need?
  - 1. "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." (Matthew 24:45-47)

#### (b) **Who?**

- 1. Wise and discerning servant...(Genesis 41:39)
  - a) JOSEPH
- (c) **Why?** 
  - 1. To persevere life and bring the world (voluntarily and happily) under the rule of God...(Genesis 45:5; 47:13-26)
    - a) "God sent me before you to preserve life." Genesis 45:5
    - b) "What you meant for evil, God meant it for good to save many lives." Genesis 50:20
- (3) How?
  - (a) The old way...
    - 1. "No bread, severe famine." Genesis 47:13

- 2. "Joseph gathered up all the money into Pharaoh's house." Genesis 47:14
- 3. "When the money failed Joseph gathered the livestock." Genesis 47:15-17
- 4. "When the livestock failed, Joseph gathered the people and the land?" Genesis 47:18-19
- 5. "Joseph said, "Indeed I have bought you and your land this day for Pharaoh." Genesis 47:23
- 6. And the people were happy to have given their lives to be saved..."You have saved our lives; we will be Pharaoh's servants." Genesis 47:25

#### C. How?

- (1) The NEW way!
  - (a) "Every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old."" (Matthew 13:52)
    - 1. "Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near.
      Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great
      multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip,
      "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?"
      But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew
      what He would do." John 6:4-6
      - a) See <u>All That Will Be Already Is!</u>

b) Multiplication of the fish and loaves — Feeding the people in the wilderness: Bread in a desolate place— (Bread to feed 5000–all four Gospels) BUT IN JOHN…it says it's a TEST!

# D. What happens when things new and things old collide!

- (1) They make one new story and they reveal the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven!
  - (a) "And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."" Matthew 16:19
    - 1. You suddenly realize that all the bread there will ever be is ALREADY HERE!
      - a) Everything that will be made was made at creation.
      - b) After Creation matter will neither be created nor destroyed only changed.
        - 1) Mystery: how does that change take place?
        - 2) One: a process that can be explained by observable physical laws!
        - 3) Two: a process that takes place outside of what can be explained by observable physical laws!
      - c) The Kingdom Mystery revealed is this! "Every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of

- **heaven** is like a householder who brings out of his treasure **things new and old**."" (Matthew 13:52)
- d) When you take the New and add the Old, you get the right answer!
- e) If you simply repeat the old you can only produce the results of the old, NOT GREATER THINGS!
- f) "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father." (John 14:12)

# E. Let's blend the NEW and the OLD one more time

- (1) This changes everything!
  - (a) This is the OLD Way!
    - 1. "And let them gather all the food of those good years that are coming, and store up grain under the authority of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities. 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 41:35-36
      - a) How do you feed hungry people at the time of famine (read Genesis 37-50)

- 1) You grow wheat in abundance during the fertile years.
- 2) You store it intelligently.
- 3) You distribute it to the people when the famine comes!
- b) You need to be aware of this because at the end of the age this will be critical...
  - 1) "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." Matthew 24:45-47
  - 2) As Jesus teaches His end-of-the-age-sermon, He refers to the narrative of Joseph, and how he was the faithful and wise servant, who helped Pharaoh store up grain during the time of abundance to feed the people during the time of famine.
  - 3) Joseph was made ruler over Pharaoh's house.

- 4) We are called to be like Joseph at the end of the age and His disciples had some Joseph-like training on the subject matter.
- 5) How did they do?
- 6) How will you do when the time comes?

## (2) This is a TEST

- 1. Again see this important clarification in John: "Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do." John 6:4-6
  - a) We learn in the prophetic Gospel of John that this is a Joseph-like test.
    - 1) "Who then is a faithful and wise servant who will give them food in due season?"
  - b) We also see that Y'shua is certain they will fail the test!
    - 1) "He knew what He would do."
  - c) It's a deserted place like the wilderness where bread must come from heaven (Exodus 16).

- 1) It's a place of famine; they have no food and it's time to eat (due season).
- 2) What should they do?
- (3) What should you do?
  - (a) Let's use what has been revealed to us by "knowing the mysteries of the kingdom."
    - 1. **The Old...** Plant seed, grow wheat, harvest grain, grind into flour, bake bread, feed the people!
    - 2. **The Test...** We have no time to go through the natural process!
    - 3. **The New...** bypass the growing process and extract all the ingredients from "heaven" and manifest the bread that is ALREADY THERE!
  - (b) There is a reason a man can walk on water and turn water into wine, and there is a reason why a man can create bread out of thin air. And the secret lies in this...
    - 1. All things that will ever be already are.
- (4) So when Y'shua says to you one day, "Simon, son of Jonah, if you love Me, feed My people, you won't ask... "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?"" (John 21:15-19; 6:1-14)

- (a) You won't think about... planting seed, growing wheat, harvesting grain, grinding it into flour, and baking bread to feed the people!
  - 1) WHY? "Because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven..." Matthew 13:11
  - 2) AND..."...every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old." Matthew 13:52
  - 3) AND... Because you have been given "the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Matthew 16:19
- (b) The New Way:
  - 1) Put the key in the lock and bypass the growing season!
  - 2) Simply extract all the ingredients from "heaven" and manifest the bread that is ALREADY THERE!

#### F. Read!

(1) "In the future, when your son asks you, "What is the meaning of the stipulations, decrees and laws Yahweh our

Mighty One has commanded you?" tell him: "We were slaves of Pharaoh in Egypt, but Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. Before our eyes Yahweh sent signs and wonders—great and terrible—on Egypt and Pharaoh and his whole household. But he brought us out from there to bring us in and give us the land he promised on oath to our ancestors. Yahweh commanded us to obey all these decrees and to fear Yahweh our Mighty One, so that we might always prosper and be kept alive, as is the case today. And if we are careful to obey all this law before Yahweh our Mighty One, as he has commanded us, that will be our righteousness."" Deuteronomy 6:20-25

- (2) "For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous." Romans 2:13
- (3) "But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds."

  Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. ... You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone. ... As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead." James 2:18, 24, 26

[This Ends our Passover Celebration]