

# The Zion Letter

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### The Four Prophetic Passovers

Have you ever been to a Messianic Passover Seder or had a Christ in the Passover teaching or Seder meal at your church? Shavuot/Pentecost is the next holiday on God's calendar and falls on Sunday, May 16th by our calculations. The Rabbis teach that Passover ends on Shavuot, so I'm not late bringing this message; in fact I

believe it is important to understanding the end-times, so please read on. I have not only performed Seders for some 25,000 to 50,000 people myself over the last 25 years, but I have witnessed Messianic Jews and even many Churches holding Passover Seder meals around the world since I became a believer in 1996 and for years before that! For Christians the primary connection is the that the third cup,

"The cup taken after they had eaten," Luke 22:20, the cup we Jews call "The Cup of Redemption" taken together with a tiny piece of

broken matzoh (unleavened bread) that we Jews also take after the meal together with the third cup as is also mentioned in Luke 22:19, "And when He had taken some

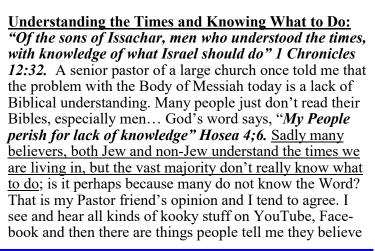
bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." Luke 22:19. Yeshua/ Jesus came to redeem us from our bondage to sin. To Jewish people that third cup taken after the Passover meal even today is taken in remembrance of our ancestor's redemption from slavery and bondage to Pharaoh in Egypt. It is taken along with that broken piece of bread (Matzoh) we call "Afikomen". The major difference is that for Messianic Jews and for Christians the cup and the bread taken after the meal represent our salvation from sin through Yeshua's sacrifice on the Cross and it is the origin of Communion. But what if there is a deeper meaning as to why Passover is and has been the meeting point to bring Messianic Jews and Christians together in the same room in unity for decades? What if God simply used the "origin of the Lord's Supper" part as a hook to

get Christians and Messianic Jews together, but God really has a greater purpose in teaching Messiah in the Passover to us all? What if there is another Exodus coming? What if the next redemption is not from sin, but from bondage to a new Pharaoh? This past year we have and are witnessing a great exodus from the cities which I predicted in my newsletter entitled "The Second Exodus,"

parts 1 and 2" and can be found on our web site <a href="www.forzionsake.org">www.forzionsake.org</a>. What if an even greater exodus of Jews and many Christians is about to take place from all the Americas and Europe, bringing Jews, Messianic Jews and the Spiritual descendants of Abraham by faith back to the Promised Land? Perhaps Passover is a warning to prepare and now we are no longer gathering in large banquets/Seders due to Covid-19. So what if the time to prepare for that great Second

Exodus is upon us now! What if many of us are asleep and do not see it coming? I believe there are four primary Passovers in history, each focused on redemption. #1 Redemption from slavery in Egypt, #2 Redemption at the Cross from slavery to sin, #3 Redemption from bondage to a modern

Pharaoh, and the coming Exodus upon this end time world. # 4.The Redemption of our bodies, (see Romans 8:23), the final redemption?





that I can't believe they believe. Ask three people their opinion of what we need to do and you're likely to get four different answers. Well I have an answer and it's Biblical.

#### 1 Corinthians 10

In 1 Corinthians 10 God tells us through Paul to look to Moses in the end times: "Now these things happened to them (people with Moses) as an example, and they were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come." The chapter essentially warns us not to do things such as grumble, be idolatrous, commit sexual immorality, etc. It tells us not to be like them. So the opposite would be to pray like Moses, spend time with God like Moses, live Holy like Moses, etc... But I think there is a more important point to take from the chapter and I suggest you read the chapter for yourself. That point is Passover and the Exodus that followed! The Rabbis of old teach

that all eight of God's Feasts listed in Leviticus 23 are reminders to us of the Exodus from Egypt. The reason God gave us Moses as our example for the end times, is because He wants us to follow his pattern. God is about to perform something very similar to the original exodus, and as I said earlier there is about to be a great

Exodus from the West of Jews, Messianic Jews and Christians who love Israel. <u>First I will explain patterns then I will give Scripture on the coming Exodus.</u> We all need to be like the Sons of Issachar who understood the times and who knew what to do!

#### God gives us Biblical Patterns to follow:

"And see to it that you make them according to the pattern which was shown you on the Mountain," Exodus 25:40. Make what according to "the pattern"? All the implements of the Tabernacle (See also Acts 7:44, Hebrews 8:5). Throughout God's Word He is very serious about following His patterns, mostly related to building the Tabernacle, The Temple and soon the Millennial Temple in Ezekiel 40. Of course, it its true that we are the Temple of God in this age. Peter said, "You also, as living stones are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Messiah Yeshua," 1 Peter 2:5. We are God's workmanship and certainly He is building us according to His pattern. We must understand that just as no Temple or Tabernacle is exactly the same, the pattern for each is a bit different; nonetheless, God has a pattern and we are left to seek what it is. If we understand Moses and we believe 1 Corinthians 10, then we should study Moses as the pattern for those of us upon whom the ends of the age have come. Will the endtimes be exactly like the Exodus from Egypt? I think not; however it's the best we have to go by.

#### The Four Passovers of God:

Passover is about redemption or salvation, which is another way of saying redemption. Just as there are four cups consumed at every Passover meal, I see four Prophetic Passovers in the Bible:

#1. The Passover of Moses: It is here that we are introduced to Passover and to the Exodus from slavery and bondage to a wicked Pharaoh. If you read Exodus 1-12 you will see that the children of Israel were spared all but the first two plagues that befell the Egyptians because God protected them in the land of Goshen (See Ex 8).

#2. The Passover of Yeshua: In John 1:29, John the Baptist said of Yeshua, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." Of course the second Redemption is referring to the death, burial and resurrection of the Son of

God, Yeshua/Jesus. Through faith in Him and His Resurrection we are redeemed from slavery and bondage to sin! Paul wrote, "For even Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast, not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth," 1 Cor 5:7-8.

#3. The Third Passover/Redemption: Escaping the modern end-times Pharaoh. The third Redemption is about God bringing His Chosen people and many who are called by His name home to Israel to escape wicked Pharaohs such as Hitler, Stalin and persecution wherever it arises in the last days, including here in the U.S.A Jews have been making Aliyah (returning to Israel from the nations) since the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The horrors of the Holocaust and persecution of Jewish people even by Franklin Roosevelt led to the birth of the modern state of Israel in 1948. Anti-Semitism has been on the rise in Europe and in the U.S. over the past decade causing many Jews to return to our ancient homeland. However, the greatest Exodus is still to come; the Prophet Jeremiah wrote, "Therefore behold, days are coming declares the Lord, when it will no longer be said, 'As the Lord lives, who brought up the sons of who brought up the sons of Israel from the land of the north and from all the countries where He had banished them.' For I will restore them to their own land which I gave to their fathers," Jer 16:14-15. Hosea wrote, "They will walk after the Lord, He will roar like a lion; Indeed He will roar and His sons will come trembling from the West," Hosea 11:10. Ezekiel wrote much about the return of the Jewish people, "For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean from all your filthiness and from all your idols (salvation), Eze 36:24-28, and "Then they (Jewish people) will know that I am the Lord their God because I made

them go into exile among the nations, and then gathered them again to their own land; and I will leave none of them there any longer, Eze 39:28. Read Ezekiel 36-39 for more, also Isaiah wrote numerous verses about the end-time return of the Jewish people to Israel and I believe many Christian Zionists especially Messianic Gentiles will return to Israel. In Isaiah 66, God even says He will take some of the righteous Gentiles and make them priests! Why is this so significant? Do you remember Moses and the pattern at the beginning of this article? What did God do with His Chosen people who were under bondage to Pharaoh? He took them out, (Exodus 12), and He led them to the Promised Land. Exodus 12:38 says, "A mixed multitude also went up with them (Egyptians, Gentiles)." Those people became assimilated into the Jewish people and you never hear them referred to again as a "mixed multitude". Friend, the modern Hebrew word for Exodus is called "Aliyah" and it means to go up as in the Psalms of Ascent (Aliyah), it is also the word for the upper room and it means to return to Israel from the exile, from the nations.

I cannot stress enough about the pattern as I mentioned. We all sense trouble coming, in fact it is already here. Our nation is more divided than it has been since the Civil War I suspect. Constitutional rights are being attacked daily, the government is spending money wildly; higher taxes are coming for all and inflation is here and will probably become hyper-inflation

(Google Weimar Germany, or look up hyper-inflation). I am no expert, but I have been advised to make major purchases such as cars, heat pumps, refrigerators, major home repairs, etc. Now while fixed interest rates are still low. Please pay down your credit card debt or you may see rates you cannot afford. Fixed rate loans are the way to go. If your money became worthless in a month, how would you invest it? What would you buy today? Food? Toilet Paper? Gold? A TV? A gun? Seriously, I suggest you pray because the good times we have been experiencing cannot last forever.

When the sirens go off and the internet goes down; when your cell phones no longer work and you cannot even get your money out of a bank, or the stock market collapses, what will you do? Are you ready for such trouble? Many are waiting for the rapture, others are planning to "bug-out" in the wilderness. But what about those people who cannot afford a cabin in the woods, or an underground bunker, or people who do not have ten years of food stored up and an arsenal of weapons to defend what they have? I tell you it will be shear chaos in the cities and larger towns one day unless mayors and councils prepare for such an emergency. Yeah, right... "On that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, where My people are living, so that no swarms of flies will be there in order that you may know that I, the

Lord, am in the midst of the land." In 1 Cor 10:11 God says to look to Moses as our example for those upon whom the ends of the age have come; and the pattern does not indicate a rapture; the pattern presented by Moses is Goshen followed by an Exodus. Therefore, God must have a Goshen prepared for you and for me: Revelation 12:14 says that, "The two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman (Israel) so that she could fly into the desert (wilderness) to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent." I'm telling you, if you follow the pattern of Moses, God is going to take Messianic Jews, Jews and Christians who stand with us and who understand like the sons of Issachar; and He is going to fly us into the desert, nurture us, shelter us, care for us and protect us from the serpent. Those wings of the great eagle are jets and the eagle may very well represent American military jets as well as airliners. Do you believe me? Don't believe me, believe the Scriptures.

Will there be a rapture? Yes, but scripture does not indicate it is imminent. Some may protest, "Rabbi, the Word says we are not appointed to wrath!". That is correct; however, wrath from God is not the same as tribulation by man. The Word also says, "We must through many tribulations to enter the kingdom of God," Acts 14:22. Right now your troubles are from power hungry people, not God (i.e. taxes, laws, threats to the

Constitution, Court packing, inflation, etc.). Are you more special than all the martyrs of China, Burma, Syria, Egypt, Iran, Africa, Rome, etc,??? If you want to believe that life will be peaches and cream followed by the rapture, be my guest; but for those who have eyes to see the pattern of Moses, consider that they celebrated the Passover, they plundered the Egyptians, they girded their loins, put sandals on their feet and staves in their hands, ready to go at a moment's notice; and they left on foot. I tell you, jet transport to Israel will be quite a step up. To sum up, the third Passover is redemption from tyranny, from globalism, from reverse racism, from modern slavery and high taxation. Go ahead, stay and fight, stock up and maybe a few hearty souls will survive. Many others will be martyred. But God wants to deliver you from Pharaoh and we are looking for those who are willing to put their hands to the plough and join us in preparing for the coming Exodus.

#### The Fourth Passover:

"We ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body" Romans 8:23. There it is, there is your rapture. The final Passover, the redemption of our bodies! Hallelujah, yes there is a rapture, "Behold I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but

we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last Shofar/Trumpet" (On Yom Kippur I believe), the Tekiah Gedolah, remember the Jubilee is on Yom Kippur (Lev 25). 1 Cor 15:51-52. And 1 Thess 4:16. Yes the final Passover may not occur on Passover, but it will be the rapture; I just think we have more to go through before it happens and those who have eyes to see I invite to join me in preparing both spiritually (prayer, learning, fellowship) and for those who are really on board, materially as well.



But there is one last Passover that I have not told you about: "Let us rejoice and be glad and give glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come (the Passover Lamb) and His bride has made herself ready." It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. Then He said to me, Write, Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb," Rev 19:7-9. I believe that the very last Passover will be the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, when we are redeemed from betrothal, to bride, married to our heavenly

Bridegroom! This is the story of the Four Passovers of the Bible according to the pattern of God.

Faithfully in Yeshua, Rabbi Joe





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