

The Zion Letter

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Moses: The Passover Prophet

Many people are unaware that Moses was a prophet, ***“I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you (Moses), and I will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him. It shall come about that whoever will not listen to My words, which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require it of Him”*** Dt 18:18-19, thus the Five Books of Moses (*Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy*) are prophecy. Yeshua/Jesus Himself said, ***“For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak,”*** John 12:49, (See also John 14:24). Yeshua is the prophet of whom the prophet Moses spoke. Did you know that the things Moses established are templates and patterns of things that are happening in the End Times? If you seek knowledge and understanding of the End Times, you must understand Moses as prophetic, and Passover in particular as the foundation and bedrock for all prophetic doctrine of the scriptures. Let's look and see.



“Now these things happened to them as examples for us, so that we would not crave evil things as they also craved.” “Do not be idolaters as some of them did... Nor let us act immorally as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in one day.. Nor let us try the Lord, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the serpents... Nor grumble as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer... Now these things happened to them as an example and they were written for our instruction upon whom the ends of the ages have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.” 1 Cor. 10:6-12.

God works in Patterns and Shadows:

When readying to build the Tabernacle, God said to Moses, ***“See to it that you make everything according to***

the pattern shown you on the mountain” Ex. 25:40. Hebrews 8:5 says, ***“The place where they serve is a copy and shadow of what is in heaven. This is why Moses warned when he was about to build the tabernacle: “See to it that you make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain.”*** King David said, ***“All this,”*** said David, ***“All the details of this plan, the Lord has made clear to me in writing by His hand upon me.”*** 1 Chronicles 28:19. These are just some of the verses which speak of God working through shadows, copies, and patterns. Remember, something has to block the light in order for a shadow to be present. In other words, there are real objects in heaven that God had Moses make copies of. Also the prescription for everything God requires in worship including atonement, administrative order, and times and seasons is described in detail. Today we do not have the Ark of the Covenant or the Tabernacle in use, but we do have Messianic Jewish Synagogue worship to help us see the shadow of the beautiful heavenly things God revealed. The Messianic community is not just a place for Jewish things to

be shared and celebrated. The Messianic Synagogue and the community it creates is a precious gift to the cities around the world in our generation. Since there is no temple, the Messianic synagogue is where the prophetic things of Moses are enacted; it is in whole an ongoing prophetic prayer, a place where the prophetic things to come are continually called forth to be manifested, it is God's template and shadow of the heavenlies for the last days. What I see is that most folks are focused on the moral lessons and teachings of how to defeat sin and live the kingdom life in peace with neighbor and family. Living morally, defeating the enemy in our lives, and building a life rich in God's Kingdom of the Spirit is very important no doubt. Nevertheless, the prophetic information

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downloaded to mankind through Moses and the prophets is equally important and synergistic with the moral understanding of the Kingdom, because it is the master plan for the re-establishment of God's Kingdom on earth. (See again 1 Corinthians 10:6-12) If God reveals the Master Plan to us, then it only follows logic that He wants us to be involved in that plan. Without understanding the prophet Moses, even Christians will not understand the End Times. Both the moral lessons Moses taught us and the prophetic shadows he gave us are equally important.

The Miracles of Passover are still for Today!

1 Corinthians 10 tells us that Moses is our example for those upon whom the ends of the age have come. Many do not know that Moses is a prophet, and God says in His word that Moses is the most like Jesus of any other prophet (Dt 18:18-19), yet many in the Church reject Moses as legalistic, deadly to those who rebelled against him; one tough Law man, not a man of grace and mercy.

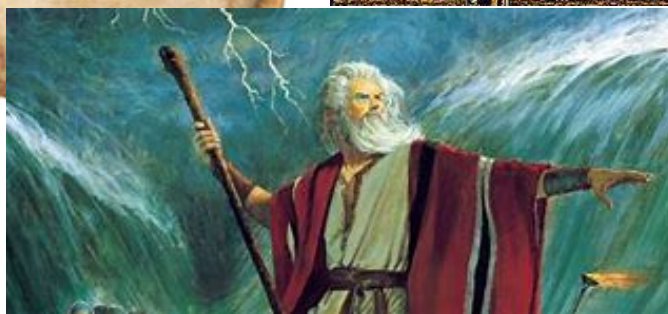
Moses was the opposite in actuality. It was Moses who fell on his face and interceded for the sinful, idolatrous, grumbling Israelites and pleaded with God not to destroy them, even to the point of asking God to blot his name out of the Book of Life for the salvation of children of Israel, causing God to relent, (see Dt 32:32). Why does God compare Yeshua/Jesus to Moses ("I will raise up a prophet like you")? Because Moses was full of grace and mercy and because he performed great miracles, miracles so great that both the Egyptians and the children of Israel would believe in the God of Israel, just as Yeshua performed miracles so that Israel and the world might believe. The miracles of Exodus were amazing and were intended to dispel unbelief among the world so that no one would have excuse for their unbelief before God

As I share this message, I must confess that I thought about focusing on the plagues of Exodus; remember, Moses is our example for the end times. God works in patterns and shadows of heavenly things, but rather than focus on the plagues I want to focus on the miracles of Moses. There are many things in our generation that parallel

the story of the plagues of Moses in Egypt, like the fires that are burning across America. The wild fires near here follow on the heels of the great floods caused by hurricane Helene in which many people were washed away and much property and homes were destroyed. According to Luke 13:4-5, where the tower of Siloam fell on and killed 18 men, Yeshua said, they were no worse sinners than anybody else, but unless we repent, such disaster could happen to us also.

However I always come back to the amazing miracles of Exodus, such as the parting of the Red Sea, the signs and wonders God performed through Moses in order to move Pharaoh to free the Israelite slaves. The parting of the Red Sea, the cloud by day and the pillar of smoke by night, the

manna from heaven, and the clothes and shoes that never wore out in the wilderness, receiving the ten commandments from God on Mt. Sinai, water from the rock, and so many more. These are not just miracles, but are elevated miracles called wonders, and are gigantic demonstrations of God's supernatural power drawing the attention of the whole world, demanding an answer to the question, "who is this God of the Israelites?" The honest answer brings true and lasting faith. God says there will be a season coming again where His signs and wonders will dwarf the record of the Exodus of Moses. (Jeremiah 16:14-17) The second Exodus will be so great that Jeremiah said people won't even remember Moses.



The Story of Exodus is a prophecy:

God promises to perform miracles for a future Exodus in the End Times. In the Exodus, God spared the Israelites from 8 of the 10 plagues by putting them in the land of Goshen (Ex 8) a safe place. God's plagues destroyed Egypt's crops, live stock, human lives, and essentially their whole economy. But everyone, including Egyptians (Gentiles) who put the blood on their doorposts and kept the Passover were taken out of Egypt with the Israelites (Ex 12:38). Those left behind probably starved or many died of sickness in Egypt.

For the last 50 years, Messianic Jews and Jewish believers in Jesus have been going to Churches by the thousands and

teaching “Christ in the Passover” or “Messiah in the Passover”. I have personally taught some 55,000 people live audience the Messiah in the Passover over the last 25 years and maybe millions more on TV. Why? Why are Christians so interested in the Passover? Well perhaps it is because the Last Supper was a Passover meal, or perhaps it is because Jesus was crucified, buried and rose from the dead during the Passover week as opposed to Easter which Jesus nor his disciples never heard of. Easter was officially established in 325 A.D. at the council of Nicea. You can google Constantine’s letter on Easter to the council of Nicea. It is very anti-Semitic. I think people are really seeking for the “real thing” and what they find in Messianic Judaism, is not just a living museum of the historical truth of the Bible, but a living prophetic bedrock of truth where everything speaks from beginning to end in harmony of the reality of the God of Israel.

What is the prophecy of the Exodus story?

Is it possible that this momentous event that we read about like a fairytale, is about to be played out again? Is it possible that the extreme natural disasters and economic woes will cause people to want to leave the U.S.A.? I have taught for 24 years that God is calling His Jewish people home to Israel. We call it Aliyah (The Return). Read Gen 12, 17, 28, Ezekiel 36-38, Jer 16:14. Yeshua’s inheritance is the Jewish people, and Romans 11:29 says that the gifts and callings of God are irrevocable. Read Dt 4:20, 1 Kings 8:51, Ex 6:6-7, Rom 11:29. We know that the Jewish people are His inheritance because Romans 11:29 says that the gifts and callings of God are irrevocable; therefore, the Jews must return to Israel in the End Times, particularly the Messianic Jews, the ones who truly know God. Sadly many Jews and Christians will rebel against His End Time Plan, according to Ezekiel 20:38, and there is only one End Time plan. Following the pattern of the Exodus, (Ex12:38) many Christians will leave America and the nations with us to a Goshen type place God has prepared to escape the plagues and the hour of testing that is coming upon the world (See Ezekiel 47:21, Isaiah 14:1, Isaiah 56). However, in the story of Exodus many chose not to keep Passover, and those who did not keep Passover, did not go out with Moses. The Church is not required to keep the Passover, so I see that many millions will choose to stay here and face the judgment coming upon the United States and all nations (read Jer 30:10).



In Isaiah 40:17 God says “The nations are of no consequence to Him” In other words the United States of America holds no special favor or biblical purpose, except that I do see that it’s highest call is to protect Israel (read The Plan for more on the USA and its roll prophetically).

In Revelation 12:14 God speaks of a way out for the Jewish people and I believe this is also for the Messianic Non-Jews and perhaps some Christian Zionists. In Revelation 3:10 God says ⁷“To the angel of the congregation in Philadelphia write: **“These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.”** ⁸**I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.** ⁹**I will make those who are of the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews though they are not, but are liars—I will make them come and fall down at your feet and acknowledge that I have loved you.** ¹⁰**Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth.”** Here God is speaking to Jewish believers, or to Messianic Jews. I believe just as in the Exodus with Moses, all non-Jews who join with us will be kept from the hour of testing and protected in the wilderness/desert with those of us he takes to His special place to nurture us from the harsh judgments of the Anti-messiah.

The bottom line is just as in Exodus, plagues and judgments are coming upon the nations as they came upon Egypt. God has a plan to bring the Messianic Jews to safety (Rev 3:7-10, Rev 12:14), and I believe Passover has been widely taught to Christians in order to offer them the opportunity to participate in the coming Exodus. Gentiles who left Egypt with the Israelites left because they kept the Passover with the Jews. They were exceedingly blessed, and so also will Christians be exceedingly blessed who join together with the Messianic Jews and keep the Passover. These sacred Passovers will not be with other Christians, but rather with real Messianic Jews. I’m talking about joining a Passover with a genuine Messianic Jewish congregation that is part of the authentic Jewish community like the IAMCS or the UMJC. Jewish wannabes and groups who separate themselves from the “real thing” and teach their own version of

Passover cannot give you access to the precious relationship God is talking about in the Scriptures. God gave us a pattern of Jews and Egyptians called “a mixed multitude” keeping the Passover together. And they were delivered from all the terrible things of the Exodus by following the pattern. If Moses is the pattern then we MUST follow the pattern This is the pattern of blessing, and relationship with the sent Messianic Jewish leader is the key. The key to your escaping the hour of testing that is coming on the earth (Rev 3:7-10) is to following the pattern. Those who follow the pattern will escape much suffering and experience the protected place prepared by God a place like Goshen. We hope you chose to join us for the incredible journey back to Israel.

All of this being said, if you happen to miss Passover this year with us, no worries there is still time. Join us for the next feast, Shavuot otherwise known as, Pentecost!

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