Pentecost 2023

The Feast of First Fruits!

When I first visiting Kenya back in 2005 and saw the night sky, it was amazing, so beautiful with the stars reaching all the way down to the horizon. And there was this Hugh ring in the sky that I never saw before. When I asked what it was, someone spoke right up and said: "They say that is the entrance to another galaxy" Wow! Our God is a Creator, and He is good at it; the bigger or more powerful the telescope, or the bigger the microscope, the more fascinating things to see and learn about. The universe surely is a Spectacular Masterpiece, but as spectacular as the universe is, it's <u>not</u> His Ultimate Masterpiece. His ultimate Masterpiece is man.

In <u>Genesis 1:26</u> we read: "Let us make man in our image, and after our likeness." Why is the creation of man so important to God? Because He wants to dwell with us. And He has a plan to accomplish that. His plan is pictured and taught by His Holy Days.

Now the world has no clue to God's plan because they keep the worldly Holidays which teach nothing but fables and lies. They have no clue to why the world is in so much trouble, and they have to clue of the horror that is coming, or how to escape it.

Many "churches" around the world teach that the Holy Days listed in the Bible have been done away, some say that their Jewish Feasts and no longer to be kept. But they are <u>not</u> Jewish Feasts, and they are <u>not</u> done away.

Let us understand something Very important. In (<u>Leviticus 23:2</u>) God tells us these are "His" Feasts. They are <u>His</u> Holy or Appointed Times, and they <u>are</u> to be <u>kept</u>. They <u>are not optional</u>, they are <u>commanded</u>. And they <u>do</u> teach us His plan for all of mankind. And that plan is a good one. Soon the wicked ways of this world will end, and a time of peace and prosperity will be abundant for **all**, (and that time is much sooner than you might think, but let's not get ahead of this story)

Now the spring Holy Days Pertain to God's "First Fruits" His "little Flock" His church, And there all about <u>us coming out of sin</u>, <u>and walking upright</u>. (That's the house that our Lord is Building.) "A glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be Holy and without blemish". (Ephesians 5:27)

Passover shows us how our Lord came down here and lived among us "in the flesh" and died for us, so that we <u>might</u> live. (<u>John 1:14</u>) says: "The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us". (<u>Philippians 2:7-8</u>) says: "He made Himself of no reputation, took on the form of a servant, humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death. even the death of the cross."

The seven day Feast of Unleavened Bread is a physical lesson of removing all "leaven" from our houses, teaching us that we need to remove <u>all</u> "sin" from our lives. And the seven week count to Pentecost is the time period that we have been given to <u>accomplish removing all the sin from our lives</u> and <u>walking upright</u>. Yes, the seven week count to Pentecost is the time period we have been given for our "sinful natures" (Which we are all born with) to be changed into the Holy Righteous Character of our Heavenly Father.

Our Heavenly Father does want to dwell with us, <u>but</u> He will not dwell with sin. Our sinful natures have to be changed to His Holy Righteous Character BEFORE we can enter His Kingdom. Nothing new here, (<u>1 Corinthians 6:9-10</u>) and (<u>Galatians 5:19-21</u>) Very clearly tells us that "sinners will not inherit the Kingdom of God".

In (<u>Leviticus 23:15</u>) we can see <u>evidence</u> that we have to be "complete" "upright" "unblemished" <u>before</u> we can enter into the Kingdom of God. "*And you shall count unto you from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering: seven Sabbaths* (seven weeks, seven churches is what it's talking about here) shall be "**complete**".

That word **"complete"** Strong's #8549 means: without blemish – without spot, This Greek word usually refers to our Lord, Like in (<u>Exodus 12:5</u>) (*lamb without spot*) and (<u>Numbers 19:2</u>) *A red Heifer without spot or blemish*. But here in (<u>Leviticus 23:15</u>) that same exact word is referring to us, His church, His First Fruits. And notice, they have to be "complete" "Unblemished, Unspotted, (Yes Upright) <u>Before</u> day 50.)

Like the next verse says: (Leviticus 23:16) "Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days." On day 50 "Pentecost" God's First Fruits will enter into His Kingdom. This will be the first Resurrection of the saints. This counting to Pentecost means a whole lot more than just "consecutive" counting. We can see that just by defining the Hebrew word used here for "count" The word "count" here is Strong's #5608 and it's Full of Rich Meaning: "To score with a mark as a tally or a record" (God has a record, the Book of Life) "To count a flock" (He has a flock,

a <u>small</u> flock) "To Enumerate" (That means to name them one by one) That's what our Creator does with the stars in the sky as they come out at night "one by one" He counts them and names them.

In (<u>Isaiah 40:26</u>) He says: "Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number (one by one) He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing." (<u>Psalm 147:4</u>) says: "He telleth the number of the stars; and He calleth them <u>all</u> by their name". Those stars in the heavens represent us. This counting is nothing for God's First Fruits to take lightly.

And remember First Fruits are planted first, Grow first, and are harvested first. That harvest is rapidly approaching; and the Scriptures clearly show it will take place on Pentecost. Let's focus in now on the Feast of Pentecost.

Many pulpits have incorrectly taught in the past (and still falsely teach today) that the church will be resurrected on Trumpets. Brethren, we have no time for fables, we have no time for false doctrines. And time for "Proving all things" (Thessalonians 5:21) and "Rightly divide the word of Truth" (2Timothy 2:15) is running out.

It is true that our Lord will be returning to this earth on Trumpets, when He will conquer the coming Beast who will make war with Him. But He's <u>not</u> coming back alone; He is coming back with His saints. (<u>Revelation 17:14</u>) Says: *His called, chosen, and faithful* will be with Him. (<u>Jude 1:14</u>) says that Enoch prophesied that "the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints".

But before the saints can return with Him, they have to get up there first. They have to meet Him in the clouds at the first resurrection, where they will be standing with Him on the "Sea Of Glass" where the marriage between Christ and His church will take place.

The church that our Lord began building 2,000 years ago is soon to be completed. We are now approaching the time of (Revelation 19:7) which says: "the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready".

And (Revelation 15:2) says: God's First Fruits (His Elect) will be "standing on the Sea of Glass". That will happen on the "last day" of the count, day 50, the day of Pentecost, at the First resurrection, as pictured by the "wave loaves" The wave loaves represent

the church, and they were waved high over the Priests head, why? (Because it showed something that was going to take place up in heaven, not down here on this earth)
They were waved on the "last day" the day of Pentecost, at the Resurrection of the First Fruits)

Like it says in (<u>John 6:39</u>) where our Lord says: "The will of the Father is that He should lose none, but raise them up at the last day". And in (<u>John 6:40</u>) our Lord again Says that those who believe in Him, He will raise them up. When? "At the last day". The timing of the first resurrection being on day 50, Pentecost, was well understood before the New Testament church even began. Martha, sister to Lazarus told our Lord that she knew her brother would be raised on the last day.

In (<u>John 11:24</u>) Martha said to Him: "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Brethren, do we recognize the signs of the times in which we are now living, that that "last day" is approaching? The prophesies leading up to the final Pentecost, are already progressing right in front of our eyes. All the signs are here. Trouble is increasing everywhere, lawlessness <u>is</u> on the rise all around this world, **The parable of the fig tree has already been fulfilled.**

Look what it says: (Matthew 24:32-33) says: "learn a parable of the fig tree, as soon as the twigs are tender, and it putteth forth leaves, you know that summer is nigh. So likewise, when you see all this, know that it is nigh, even at the doors". The church has been hearing for 2,000 years that our Lord is soon to return, but things are different now, the signs are here. (The end of the age is upon us.) The rise of the Beast, the last world ruling empire (called the New World Order by the world, called the "Beast" by God) is forming right in front of our eyes.

The 10 toes of Nebuchadnezzar dream (ten Kings) will soon be in power. (Revelation 17:12) says: "The ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast". The New World Order divided the world into 10 regions a long time ago. They are now in place and beginning to take control.

Last week the President of Kenya announced that Kenya will no longer conduct summits with any foreign country, but will now have the "African Union" represent them. (There is a link to that at the bottom of this message.) The African Union now represents all 54 states or countries on the continent of Africa.

Kenya Submits To African

Union: https://youtube.com/watch?v=LoJc7epa5Gg&feature=share

(End time prophesies are on the move.)

A few weeks ago the President of Kenya announced that they will no longer conduct business with the US Dollar, He told his countrymen to drop the Dollar, that soon it would be worthless.

Kenya Drops Dollar: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=PUT0Ax1mNQI

Many countries are dropping the Dollar, Tanzania, India, Egypt, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Goanna and Zambia have all Drop The Dollar. (These are just the few I know of.) https://youtube.com/shorts/b9qW2jNHvKI?feature=share The USA, the greatest and most powerful country in the world, is going down, as the "New World Order" the "Beast" rises up.

(End time prophesies are transpiring right in front of our eyes.) The "falling away" (or defection from Truth) spoken of in (<u>2 Thessalonians 2:3-4</u>) has been history for some time now, and the man of sin, the son of perdition spoken of in (<u>2 Thessalonians 2:9</u>) "whose working is of Satan, with all power and signs and lying wonders) is soon to be revealed.

We need God's Kingdom to come, we need our Lord to return to this troubled earth because so many are suffering, and so many are suffering horrendously. **But** before His Kingdom can come, it has to be established first. It has to be set up. We pray "Thy Kingdom Come" and rightly so. But His Kingdom has not been established yet. How could it? Most of its officials are still asleep in the grave.

But <u>soon</u> His Elect will be resurrected, and He will set up His Kingdom up on the Sea of Glass, as the Marriage takes place, and the positions of the saints will be given. (<u>Daniel 2:44</u>) says: "And in the days of these kings (the 10 kings, the 10 toes of Nebuchadnezzar dream) shall the God of heaven **set up** (establish) a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever".

God's Kingdom will be set up (established) up on the Sea of Glass, soon as His resurrected saints get up there. Let's notice something concerning the timing of the

first resurrection. We know that God's two witnesses shall prophesy for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ years during the soon coming "Great Tribulation" spoken of in (Matthew 24:21). (Revelation 11:3) says: "God will give Power to His two witnesses". (Revelation 11:7-8) says: "At the end of their testimony they will be killed by the Beast, and their dead bodies shall lie in the street of Jerusalem for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ days".

But then (Revelation 11:11-12) says: "they shall rise and stand up on their feet, and they will then ascend up to heaven to meet Christ in the clouds, and their enemies beheld them". Brethren, do you realize that this is the first resurrection? All the saints (those asleep in then grave, and those who will be changed in a twinkling of an eye) will all rise to meet our Lord in the air at this time.

(Revelation 15:1) tells us this will happen directly after the Great Tribulation, but before the "Great and Dreadful" day of the Lord, as the seven angels having the seven last plagues prepare to pour out the "wrath of God" "And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up then wrath of God". That was (Revelation 15:1). The next verse (Revelation 15:2) shows the Elect will be on the Sea of Glass at that time.)

Brethren if there was ever a time to be <u>ready</u> for the return of our Lord, and to be accounted worthy to escape all the evil that is at our door, it is now!

What we see transpiring all around this world, is going to lead into the Great Tribulation spoken of in (Matthew 24:21) "a time of trouble as was not since the beginning of this world to this time, no nor ever shall be". Brethren our Creator wants His church, His Elect, those with His Spirit, to be Holy and to be Perfect at His return. (And don't let that word "perfect" scare you, it just means complete, full grown in mental and moral character.)

God always gives us the physical (which we humans understand quite well) to help us better understand the spiritual (which we humans do not understand all that well) (1 Kings 6:7) says: "And the house (Temple) when it was in building, was built of stone (that's us) made ready (complete – perfected) before it was brought thither (to the other side): so that there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building."

When the temple was erected on the other side there was no need for mortar, the stones fit perfectly together. Some think there is a **magic wand** at the end of the day

that will instantaneously create in us the Holy Righteous Character of our Heavenly Father. (There is no **magic wand** in the tool shed, but there is an **axe**.

Lets notice one more physical lesson to help us understand the trials and tribulations that we go through, and how they are to **perfect** us <u>before</u> we are "baked" <u>before</u> we are changed into spirit beings at the Resurrection on Pentecost.

(Let's bake some bread.)

(The wave loaves were raised bread, and they were baked with leaven.) First you put in the ingredients, the flour, salt, leavening, and water. Then you begin to knead the dough, and it begins to rise up. Now we all know that it is the leaven that is causing the dough to rise. But do we realize why? What is the leavening agent doing to the dough to make it rise?

The leavening is changing the nature of the dough. Now the baker will beat the dough down and continue working it until he gets it exactly the way he wants is. Then he bakes it. Once baked, it's a finished product, and its nature cannot be changed. Now many pulpits in the church still teach to this day that the leavening agent in the wave loaves represents sin, and that we will be baked with sin.

(Nothing could be further from the Truth)

(The leavening agent in the waves loaves is God's Holy Spirit, it's the only thing <u>powerful enough</u> to change our sinful natures.)

Leaven in the Bible doesn't always represent sin, there is a good leaven spoke of in (Matthew 13:33) that good leaven is God's Holy Spirit. The Holy Days picture the plan of God. His First Fruits will soon be resurrected on Pentecost. They will meet Him in the clouds, and stand with Him on the Sea of Glass, where the marriage of the Lamb will then take place.

Afterwards our Lord (and His Saints) will be returning to this earth. Then (<u>Revelation 20:1-2</u>) tells us that: "Satan will be bound in the bottomless pit for a thousand years (pictured by another Holy Day, the "Day of Atonement".)

Then our Lord will gather <u>all</u> nations, and shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth the sheep from the goats. Those who are sheep (the ones who walk

this earth upright, helping their fellow man) will enter into His Kingdom. But those who are goats (the ones who continue to transgress God's ways, and treat their fellow man poorly) will be severely punished by the Creator.

You can read that in (Matthew 25:32-46)

Let's end in (<u>Revelation 15:2</u>) up on the Sea of Glass, and see what God's Elect, the ones who will be stating their marriage vows, all have in common. "And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: **and them that had gotten the victory** over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God".

Brethren, those six words "them that had gotten the victory" come from only one Greek word "conqueror" "overcomer" The same exact qualifications that our Lord <u>requires</u> of all seven of His churches: "To him that "overcometh" will I grant this and give that. Just "trying" to overcome doesn't cut it with God, we have to succeed. And we have the power to succeed, we have His Powerful Holy Spirit in us Let us change any and all of our bad ways, and let us walk upright, for the time is at hand.

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Kenya Submits To African

Union: https://youtube.com/watch?v=LoJc7epa5Gg&feature=share

MIDNIGHT CRY

Many are slumbering & sleeping right now (BUT Midnight cry is coming!) Midnight Cry of (Matthew 25:6) comes from the Cry of (Revelation 10:3)