Why the Rapture and Second Coming Could Happen During Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread (Summary of Key Points)

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The following is a summary of the key points of an in-depth study I did for Messengers of Messiah Teaching Subscribers, February 12, 2023.

Many years ago, when my husband, Peter Michas, founder of Messengers of Messiah, and I lived in Troy, Illinois (1993-2000), Peter said to me that Passover might be the time of Messiah Yeshua's return. After Peter went to Heaven on January 4, 2023, I remembered what he said, and immediately many Biblical Scriptures came into my mind supporting a Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread prophetic timeline for the Rapture and Second Coming.

Today I found notes I made on September 20, 2020, in which I wrote: "Today Peter told me he has always thought Yeshua would come at Passover." I had forgotten this until today when I read it in my notes. In those same notes, I wrote that I did a teaching on April 17, 2011, in which I felt the Lord impressed upon me the message "Prepare for My coming" – something I clearly remember – and this could also indicate a Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread prophetic timeline for the Rapture and Second Coming.

Note: The Rapture and Second Coming take place close together in time, in a matter of days not years, since the 70<sup>th</sup> Week of Daniel was completely fulfilled 2,000 years ago, meaning there is no future seven-year Tribulation. See free online prophecy study at <a href="https://messengers-of-messiah.org">https://messengers-of-messiah.org</a> – A New Look at the Books of Revelation & Daniel End-Time Prophecies, Part 1 "Correcting the End-Time Prophetic Timetable", and Part 2 "The 70 Weeks Prophecy of Daniel – The New Covenant is the Covenant of Daniel 9:27."

It is a misconception that Messiah Yeshua did not fulfill the Fall Appointed Times, including Feast of Trumpets (*Yom Teruah*, called Rosh HaShanah), Day of Atonement (*Yom Kippur*), and Feast of Tabernacles (*Sukkot*), at His First Coming, which is taken as support for the Rapture and Second Coming taking place according to the prophetic timeline of the Fall Appointed Times (Leviticus 23).

However, it is not the case that Messiah Yeshua did not fulfill these Appointed Times at His First Coming because He did, as follows:

- 1. Messiah Yeshua was born on Yom Teruah, Feast of Trumpets, called Rosh Hashanah.
- 2. As a newborn in a manger, Messiah Yeshua "tabernacled" (dwelled) with His people during *Sukkot*, Feast of Booths/Tabernacles.
- 3. Messiah Yeshua began His public ministry on *Yom Kippur*, Day of Atonement, when He proclaimed the Jubilee year (Luke 4:16-20).

So we can see that Yeshua fulfilled the entire cycle of the Appointed Times of the LORD during His First Coming, also including:

- 1. Messiah Yeshua was God's Passover Lamb, the sacrifice for the sins of the world, crucified at the same time the Passover lambs were sacrificed at the Temple.
- 2. Messiah Yeshua resurrected during the Feast of Unleavened Bread.
- 3. At *Shavuot*, Pentecost, God's Holy Spirit began to indwell those who put their trust in Messiah Yeshua, the only way of God's salvation. All those indwelled with God's Holy Spirit make up the Body of Messiah Yeshua, His Church.

In our free online prophecy study, *A New Look at the Books of Revelation & Daniel End-Time Prophecies*, the prophetic timeline proposed for the Rapture and Second Coming is the period from Rosh HaShanah to Yom Kippur. At the time, this seemed to be the correct timeline. However, I now believe that Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread (a period of 7 days) is more likely the time for the Rapture and Second Coming.

Note: The day my husband, Peter Michas, went to Heaven, I was preparing to record the video of the full, in-depth teaching I did for Messengers of Messiah Teaching Subscribers.

The following is the summary only of my in-depth teaching, listing 18 key points supporting the Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread timeline for the Rapture and Second Coming.

- 1. At His Second Coming, Messiah Yeshua reveals Himself to the Jewish people as God's Passover Lamb sacrificed for the sins of humanity, the Suffering Servant of Isaiah (Zechariah 12:10, Isaiah 53).
- 2. At the Last Supper (not a Passover meal), Messiah Yeshua said that He would not eat the Passover meal with His disciples until "it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God" (Luke 22:16). The fulfillment takes place at His Second Coming, when the kingdom of the world becomes the kingdom of our Lord and Messiah (Revelation 11:15).
- 3. The Marriage Supper in Heaven is the Marriage of the Lamb of God, focusing on Messiah Yeshua as God's Passover Lamb (Revelation 19:9). The Marriage Supper of the Lamb takes place at the Second Coming, when the Rapture takes place.
- 4. Boaz took Ruth for his wife during the time of the barley harvest, which is the time of Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Boaz was the kinsman redeemer, a type of Yeshua as Redeemer. The line of Messiah Yeshua came through Boaz and Ruth. (This happened in Bethlehem, the place Yeshua would be born, fulfilling prophecy.)
- 5. Messiah Yeshua's death and resurrection took place during the Passover-Feast of Unleavened Appointed Times of the Lord. Therefore, His return could pick up at that time in the cycle of the Appointed Times of the Lord (Leviticus 23).

- 6. The resurrection of Yeshua after 3 days and 3 nights is similar to the resurrection of the Two Witnesses after 3½ days (Matthew 12:40; Revelation 11:11-12). We know from the Word of God and Peter Michas' vision in 2005 that the Two Witnesses will be killed and resurrect at the summit of the Mount of Olives. Therefore, it is possible that not only the PLACE but also the TIMING of the Two Witnesses death and resurrection will follow the pattern of Yeshua's death and resurrection (Revelation 11:8-12).
- 7. Yeshua receiving His immortal spiritual body corresponds to the Two Witnesses receiving their immortal spiritual bodies. It also corresponds to those in Heaven and those alive on earth receiving their immortal spiritual bodies at the Rapture (1 Thessalonians 4:15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:44,51-53). This fits the prophetic pattern, which is why I believe that the resurrection of the Two Witnesses happens at the time of the Catching-Up, called the Rapture. It also means that this event could happen during the Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread period of time.
- 8. The focus of the Third Temple will be as a Passover Memorial, with Messiah Yeshua as God's Passover Lamb. (See Part 14 "The Future Temple of the Millennial Kingdom" and Part 13 "The Temple Will Be Built by Messiah Yeshua, Not the Antichrist" free online prophecy study *A New Look at the Books of Revelation & Daniel End-Time Prophecies*, at https://messengers-of-messiah.org)
- 9. Ezekiel's Vision of the Third Temple was on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Nisan, the day the Passover lambs were selected (Ezekiel 40:1).
- 10. Revelation 11 indicates that the Two Witnesses will have a focus on the rebuilding of the Third Temple (Revelation 11:1).
- 11. Yeshua's sacrifice and resurrection during Passover-Unleavened Bread is at the center of God's plan of salvation for humanity so this could also indicate the time of His return.

- 12. Passover-Feast of Unleavened Bread is the first of the Lord's Appointed Times according to the SACRED CALENDAR, which starts Nisan 1.
- 13. The Exodus plagues and the Revelation Bowl plagues are similar in being God's judgment, the first on Egypt, the second on the World, at the same time God delivers His people from destruction (Rapture; protection of Israel).
- 14. God's protection and deliverance of the Jewish people from annihilation at the time of His Second Coming is similar to God's protection of the Israelites from annihilation at the time of the Exodus (Exodus 7-11; Revelation 16).
- 15. God delivered the Israelites from Egypt for the purpose of serving Him. God will deliver the Jewish people in Israel from their enemies for the purpose of serving Him.
- 16. During the Millennial Kingdom when Messiah Yeshua rules from Jerusalem, God fulfills His promise to Abraham about the land promised to his descendants (Genesis 15:18; Joshua 1:1-4; Numbers 34:1-12; Ezekiel 47:15-20). At the time the Israelites were delivered from Egypt, they were to enter into the "Promised Land".
- 17. The LORD dwelled in the Israelite's camp, His presence the Shekinah in the Tabernacle; the LORD will dwell with His people in the Third Temple, as He did in Solomon's Temple (First Temple).
- 18. Messiah Yeshua could proclaim a Jubilee year when He comes, as He did when He began His public ministry, only this time not only proclaiming deliverance but also bringing judgment, the part of Isaiah's prophecy He left out at His First Coming because He came to save the world at that time, not judge the world. But at His Second Coming, He will also come to judge the world (Isaiah 61:1-2).