

# The Passover Prophecy – Exodus 12 – Resurrection Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

- On this very different Resurrection Sunday celebration, I want to do something a little bit different and talk about the Passover.
- If you were to ask me what I thought was one of the most fascinating prophecies in all of scripture, the Passover would be one.
- This because it was a prophecy pointing to and fulfilled by Jesus Christ vis-à-vis the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

- The Passover is the first of seven feasts, which in the Hebrew language and my native tongue of Arabic, is the word “Moad.”
- Moad is an interesting word, which carries with it the idea of a sign pointed to an appointed time or an appointment yet future.
- It’s for this reason the seven feasts all point to and are fulfilled by Jesus Christ both at His first coming, and His second coming.

REFERENCE	FEAST	FULFILLMENT
(Leviticus 23:5)	Passover	The Crucifixion
(Leviticus 23:6-8)	Unleavened Bread	The Burial
(Leviticus 23:9-14)	First-Fruits	The Resurrection
(Leviticus 23:15-22)	Pentecost	The Church Age
(Leviticus 23:23-25)	Trumpets	The Rapture of the Church
(Leviticus 23:26-32)	Day of Atonement	The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Coming
(Leviticus 23:33-43)	Tabernacles	The Kingdom Age and Eternity Future

- It’s interesting to note that this order parallels the divine order outlined in the Book of Revelation, specifically Revelation 1:19.

Revelation 1:19 - Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

SCRIPTURE	CHAPTER(S)	EVENT(S)	FEAST
What you have seen... (Past)	1	<i>Jesus Christ Crucified-Buried-Resurrected</i>	<i>Passover-Unleavened Bread-First Fruits</i>
What is now... (Present)	2 and 3	<i>Church History (“Church” found 19 times)</i>	<i>Pentecost (Harvest)</i>
What will take place later (Future)	4 and 5	The Rapture	Trumpets
What will take place later (Future)	6 through 19	The Tribulation ( <i>Church not mentioned</i> )	Day of Atonement
What will take place later (Future)	20	Second Coming and The Millennium	Tabernacles
What will take place later (Future)	21 and 22	The New Heavens & New Earth	(Eternity Future)

- I’ll take it a step further and suggest that there are stunning prophetic parallels concerning Israel in Exodus and the Tribulation.

EXODUS	REVELATION
Israel enslaved	Israel afflicted
Israel oppressed and deceived by Pharaoh	Israel attacked and deceived by the Anti-Christ
Two representatives, Moses and Aaron	Two Witnesses, believed to be Moses & Elijah
Israel cries out to God, and He hears	Israel cries out to God, and He hears
Israel flees to the wilderness	Israel flees to Petra
Israel is delivered	Israel is saved
Plagues come down as God’s judgment	Wrath poured out as God’s judgment

- Even more interesting are the similarities with the Plagues that came down on Egypt/world and the judgments in Revelation.

PLAGUE	EGYPT	TRIBULATION
#1 Water becomes blood	Exodus 7:20, Psalm 105:29	Revelation 8:8-9, 11:6, 16:3-6
#2 Frogs	Exodus 8:6, Psalm 105:30	Revelation 16:13*
#3 Lice	Exodus 8:24, Psalm 105:31	Revelation 11:6**
#4 Flies	Exodus 9:6	Revelation 11:6***
#5 Food source (livestock) destroyed	Exodus 9:6	Revelation 8:9****
#6 Boils	Exodus 9:10	Revelation 16:2
#7 Hail	Exodus 9:23, Psalm 105:32	Revelation 8:7, 16:21
#8 Locusts	Exodus 10:13, Psalm 105:34	Revelation 9:3
#9 Darkness	Exodus 10:22, Psalm 105:32	Revelation 8:12, 9:2, 16:10

\*Though not an infestation of frogs, this is undoubtedly a plague like the frogs in Egypt.

\*\*Though lice are not mentioned specifically, they could be among the plagues brought by the two witnesses.

\*\*\*As with the lice, flies are not specifically mentioned, but it’s believed that they may be among the plagues as well.

\*\*\*\*Though not a direct correlation, there is a similarity in that the food source of God’s enemies is destroyed.

- This brings us to the 10<sup>th</sup> and final plague, which was the death of the all-important first begotten son recorded in Exodus 12.
- Specifically as it relates to the Passover prophecy fulfilled by the only begotten Son of God, Jesus the Christ at His first coming.
- Even more specifically, the communion celebration of which I would like for us to partake together at the conclusion of our time.

- I want to share with you two thoughts on this Resurrection Sunday celebration, first concerning Israel and second the church.
- Concerning Israel, this is the first time the Jews have been ordered to stay in their homes on Passover since it was instituted.
- Concerning the church, it’s the first time in our lifetime that the churches are empty on the day we celebrate the empty tomb.

- The reason I point this out is because I believe God, as only He can, is using this crisis to bring more people to Him this year.
- This is why I believe we have the greatest opportunity of our lifetime to give to everyone an answer of that hope that we have.
- Namely, the good news that Jesus was crucified, buried, rose again on the third day, and He is coming back for us any day.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 - 1 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

### **The ABC's of Salvation**

- The A is for Admit you're a sinner and your need for the Savior, (Romans 3:10, 23 – 6:23).
- The B is for Believe in your heart that Jesus is Lord and God raised Him from the dead, (Romans 10:9-10).
- The C is for Call upon the name of the Lord and confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord, (Romans 10:9-10, 13).

Luke 22:14-20 - 14 When the hour had come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. 15 Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; 16 for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18 for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." 19 And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 20 Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.