Message to The Churches of God 8

Review of Some APPARENT Inconsistencies of The Cross

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About The Messages

Critical to start from the beginning

- They are presented in a particular order
- Each builds upon the previous messages
- Study them
- Review them

Previous Message

- Sin in the "example" of Israel's Passover & Unleavened Bread does NOT exist
- •Sin in the "shadow" of the Passover & Unleavened Bread Feasts system does NOT exist

God's
Feasts
Historical/
Prophetic
Time-Line

Jesus Christ' Ministry

Historical-Prophetic

- Predicated upon His fulfillment of Feast of Breath as full feast cycles (multiple layers – covered later):
 - Passover/Unleavened: His earthly birth as "the son of man" (CONCEPTION by Holy Spirit Matthew 1:18)
 SYMBOLIZED by His Egyptian journey Matthew 2:13-21
 - Weeks: Human life as a carpenter
 - Pentecost/Breath: Baptism & receipt of the Holy Spirit as a dove as the "son of God" Mark 1:9-11,
 - Atonement: Resist temptation, overcome, send away Satan Mark 1:12-13,
- Tabernacles: Forsook His temporary earthly life, began preaching the Good News (Mark 1:14-15), called ("follow Me") the disciples (John 1:35-51), more cognizant of His purpose of death on the cross (The 8th Day John 12:27).
- Disciples/Apostles did NOT understand during this time. John 12:16
- Disciples/Apostles were told by Jesus Christ that they would (in the future) receive the Holy Spirit to remember. John 14:26

Passover

Historical-Prophetic

- "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us" <u>1</u> Corinthians 5:7.
- Without leaven. Exodus 34:25 NIV
- Jesus sent His Spirit to The Father (deleavened). <u>Luke 23:46</u>
- Jesus Christ learned submission through His suffering (connected to Atonement on Israel's example time-line). Hebrews 5:7-9
- He was forsaken by the disciples (<u>Matthew</u> 26:56) and The Father (<u>Matthew</u> 27:46).
- Christ <u>humbly</u> submitted Himself at the cross. Philippians 2:5-8
- Death (sleep) as 2nd Adam (1 Corinthians 15:21, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49, Romans 5:12-19) by the spear in His side/rib (John 19:34) to annul first marriage covenant (Jeremiah 31:32) with Israel and begin the Church from His rib (Ephesians 5:21-33) to eventually marry Her (Revelation 19:9).
- Jesus' burial. <u>John 19:38-42</u>

Unleavened Bread

Historical-Prophetic

Elimination of <u>ALL</u> Doctrine, Beliefs, Knowledge, Perspective, Outlook, Lens, Way, System

- NO leaven (Exodus 13:7-8) No discernment, judgement or condemnation of right or wrong, good or evil it is complete, total.
- Dead three days & three nights in a tomb (<u>Matthew</u> 12:40), without knowledge (<u>Ecclesiastes 9:10</u>).
- Jesus' Resurrection "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins". 1
 Corinthians 15:17

Unleavened – Wave Sheaf

Historical-Prophetic

"1st" ascension to The Father as unleavened/afflicted/bread of affliction/blood of sacrifice/dead bread, bread of death (Matthew 26:26-29, 1 Corinthians 11:26) without knowledge as Wave Sheaf to regain His Spirit. John 20:17

Unleavened/ Weeks – Wave Sheaf Returns

Historical-Prophetic

- •Jesus Christ returns (<u>John 20:19-23</u>) from The Father after regaining His Spirit (leavened), with knowledge, as "Bread of Life", "Living Bread"
- •Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life. John 6:58, Romans 5:10, 1 Corinthians 15:17

Weeks -Counting

Historical-Prophetic

- Christ opens eyes of disciples. <u>Luke 24:31</u>
- Christ <u>revealed</u> Himself directly to the disciples (<u>John 20:19</u>, <u>John 21:1</u>, <u>John 21:14</u>) and in the scriptures, the "Old Testament" (<u>Luke 24:27</u>, <u>Luke 24:32</u>, <u>Luke 24:44-47</u>).
- Christ "breathed" upon the disciples to receive the Holy Spirit (<u>John 20:22</u>) in the upcoming Pentecost (<u>Acts 2:1-4</u>).
- "2nd" ascension (<u>Acts 1:9</u>, non-afflicted,
 "Living Bread", "Bread of Life", 1st leavened loaf)
- Our cycles of Weeks (composed of days) are connected to the "daily sacrifices", but Jesus Christ' work are connected to the "annual sacrifices" pictured in the Jubilee.
- Our cycles of Feast of Weeks (composed of days) correspond to Christ' work of Jubilee cycles (composed of years) connected through the lives of the apostles and Jesus. 1
 John 1:1-3, 1 Corinthians 11:1

Weeks/First Fruits – Pentecost

Historical-Prophetic

The Holy Spirit is poured out in power, establishing the New Covenant.

The Two Leavened Loaves (1 Corinthians 15:20-23):

- 1. Jesus Christ ("2nd" ascension) He <u>learned</u> through His suffering <u>Hebrews 5:8</u>
- 2. Later His Bride (The Church) ascends at "2nd" coming (<u>1 Thessalonians 4:17</u>) with the true knowledge of God, having made herself ready Revelation 19:7

Another name for Feast of Weeks: Feast of Leavened Bread (Newly Leavened Loaf with true knowledge of God)

We Are Here

Historical

- Past
- Happened
- Fulfilled
- Concrete
- Example
- Revealed
- Reality
- Pioneered
- Testimony
- Applicable

Prophetic

- Future
- Pre-conceptions
- Unfulfilled
- Vague
- "Shadow"
- Speculation
- Imagination
- Untraveled
- Hearsay
- "Through a glass, darkly"

"Gap"

Hebrews 1:1-3

Historic vs Prophetic

- Christ Pioneered Hebrews 2:10
- Christ came to fulfill Matthew 5:17
- Testimony of what is known <u>John 3:11</u>
- Reality <u>Colossians 2:17</u>, Hebrews 10:1

- Limitations of prophesy <u>1</u>
 Corinthians <u>13:8-10</u>
- Through a glass, darkly <u>1</u>
 Corinthians 13:12
- Shadow <u>Colossians 2:17</u>, Hebrews 10:1

Blowing/ Breath [Trumpets]

Historical-Prophetic

<u>Culmination</u> - "2nd" coming of Jesus Christ

Revelation 11:15-17

Atonement

Historical-Prophetic

Putting away of Satan

Revelation 20:1-3

Tabernacles

Historical-Prophetic

Covered Later

8th Day Historical-Prophetic

Covered Later

Inconsistencies of The Cross?

Passover Fulfillment:

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. <u>1 Corinthians 5:7</u>

Atonement Fulfillments:

- Access to the Most Holy Place through the tearing of the curtain (body of Jesus Christ), <u>Hebrews 9:7</u>, <u>Hebrews</u> 10:19-21, <u>Matthew 27:51</u>, <u>Hebrews</u> 6:18-20
- Atonement/covering of sin. <u>1 John</u>
 4:10, <u>Romans 3:25</u>, <u>1 John 2:1-2</u>
- Putting away Satan (<u>James 4:7</u>, <u>John 12:31</u>)
- Jesus Christ learned submission through His suffering. <u>Hebrews</u> 5:7-9

Access to The Most Holy Place

But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance. Hebrews 9:7

At that moment [when Jesus gave up His Spirit] the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. Matthew 27:51

We have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus. <u>Hebrews 10:19</u>

God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek. Hebrews 6:18-20

Atonement/Covering of Sin

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10

God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. Romans 3:25

We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

Recap -

- We recognize and understand that God's Feasts are fulfilled in chronological sequence according the their "appointed times".
- Our traditional view of the Historical/Prophetic time-line of God's Feasts places the fulfillment of Atonement into the future, after Christ' return.
- There are <u>numerous</u> biblical references to Atonement fulfillments <u>at the cross</u>.
- How do we reconcile these apparently inconsistent fulfillments of Atonement?

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